In this presentation, Philippa Lovatt (University of Stirling, Scotland), Gaik Cheng Khoo (University of Nottingham, Malaysia), and Jasmine Nadua Trice (University of California, Los Angeles) will discuss a two-year research network that will involve four symposia, in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (July 2016), Los Angeles, California (April 2017), Hanoi, Vietnam (October 2017), and Glasgow, Scotland (March 2018). The presentation will involve a discussion of the network and the history of regional film organizing in Southeast Asia, the cultivation of dialogue between film practitioners and scholars, as well as a discussion of how each professor’s individual research connects to the network’s theme.

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