

**Robert Barnett: Curriculum Vitae**

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**Citizenship:** British

**Born:** London, 1953

**Education**

Ph. D., Cambridge University (Corpus Christi), in Oriental Studies (2003)

M.A., Cambridge University (Corpus Christi), in English Literature (1977)

B.A., Cambridge University (Corpus Christi), in English Literature (1972-75)

**Professional Positions**

**Columbia University, New York:**

Associate Research Scholar in International Affairs (2006- present)

Adjunct Professor in Contemporary Tibetan Studies (2006-present)

Director, Modern Tibetan Studies Program (2000-present)

Lecturer in International and Public Affairs/Lecturer in Modern Tibetan Studies (2002-2006)

Adjunct Lecturer in Modern Tibetan Studies (2000-2002)

Adjunct Research Scholar (2000-2001)

Visiting Research Scholar (1999-2000)

**University of Tibet, Lhasa:**

Program Director, Summer Tibetan Language Program (2001-2006)

Adjunct Lecturer (Fall 2001)

**Asian Development Bank**

Consultant, Lijiang-Dali Railway Project (2005)

**French National Centre for Defense Forecasting:**

Consultant (2002)

**British Broadcasting Corporation, World Service, London:**

Expert Commentator/Consultant (1989-present)

**South China Morning Post, Hong Kong:**

London reporter (1992-97)

**Tibet Information Network, London:**

Director/Founding Editor (1987-98)

**Research and Development Projects**

"Economic Development in Tibet". jointly with the China Tibetology Centre (Beijing) in July-August 2004.

"Ecotourism Training in Tibet". Jointly with Tibet University. Funded by the ECA

"Tibet Oral Traditions Training". Jointly with Tibet Academy of Social Science, Tibet University and University of Virginia.

"Rare Tibetan and Mongolian books and manuscripts": with the British Library and the University of Oxford, 2004-2007

"Tibetan Language Teaching Enhancement": with the University of Tibet, Lhasa. Funded by the ECA, 2004-2006

"Nationality Cadres and Discourse in Late Socialist China": with the University of Cambridge 2004-2006

"Tradition and Modernity in Tibet and the Himalaya": Funded by the Austrian Fund for Social Science, 2001-2004

## **Selected Publications**

### **a) Books**

*Tibetan Modernities: Papers presented at the Xth IATS Seminar, Oxford, 2003*. Edited volume. With Ronald Schwartz, Brill, Leiden (forthcoming 2007)

*Lhasa: Streets with Memories*, Columbia University Press, 2006

*White Crane - A Concise Commentary Clarifying "The Wishing Tree" of Tibetan Grammar*. Editor. With Lhakpa Tseten (main author). University of Tibet Research Monograph, Tibet Nationalities Publishing House, 2002

*The Illegible City: Stories Told by the Streets of Lhasa (La città illeggibile: Storie narrate dalle strade di Lhasa)*. Published in translation in Italian. CDA, Milan, 1999.

*A Poisoned Arrow: The Secret Petition of the 10th Panchen Lama*. Editor. Tibet Information Network, London, 1998

*Leaders in Tibet: A Directory*. With Victoria Connor. Tibet Information Network (TIN), London, 1997

*Cutting Off the Serpent's Head: Tightening Control in Tibet, 1994-95*. With Mickey Spiegel. TIN, London and Human Rights Watch, New York, 1996

*Resistance and Reform in Tibet*. Editor. University of Indiana, Bloomington and Hursts, London, 1994. Essays on social change, art and history in Tibet since 1950

*Political Prisoners in Tibet*. With Mickey Spiegel. Asiawatch, New York and TIN, London, 1992

### **b) Journal Articles & Book Chapters**

"Authenticity, secrecy and public space: Chen Kuyuan and representations of the Panchen Lama reincarnation dispute, 1995" in *Tibetan Modernities: Papers presented at the Xth IATS Seminar, Oxford, 2003*. In Robert Barnett and Ronald Schwartz (eds.), Leiden: Brill (forthcoming 2007)", in R. Barnett and R. Schwartz (eds.), *Tibetan Modernities: Papers presented at the Xth IATS Seminar, Oxford, 2003*, Brill, Leiden (forthcoming 2007)

"Cadres, Discourse and Late Socialism: Comparative Views of Idealism, Signs and Outcomes" (Conference Review), *Inner Asia* 7(2005): 261-74

"On the Margins of Tibet: Cultural Survival on the Sino-Tibetan Frontier", (Review), *Asian Studies, Vol. 65, No. 2*, (May 2006), pp. 417-19.

"Beyond the Collaborator-Martyr Model: Strategies of Compliance, Opportunism and Opposition within Tibet" in Barry Sautman and June Dreyer (eds.): *Contemporary Tibet*, M.E. Sharpe, New York (2006)

"Women and Forms of Political Participation in Tibet" in J. Gyatso and H. Havnevik (eds.), *Women in Tibet, past and present*, Hursts, London and Columbia University, New York (2006)

"Chen Kuyuan and the Marketisation of Policy" in Alex McKay (ed.), *Tibet and Her Neighbours*, Edition Hansjörg Mayer, London, 2003 (Paper presented at the History of Tibet Seminar, St. Andrew's University, Scotland, August 2001)

"A City, its Visitors, and the Odour of Development" in F. Pommaret (ed.), *Lhasa in the Seventeenth Century*, Brill, Leiden, 2003

"The Secret Secret: Cinema, Ethnicity and 17<sup>th</sup> Century Tibetan-Mongolian Relations", in *Inner Asia*, Winter 2002 (Cambridge), pp. 277-346

"'Violated Specialness': Western Political Representations of Tibet" in Thierry Dodin and Heinz Raether (eds.), *Imagining Tibet*, Wisdom Publications, Boston 2001, pp. 269-316

"Preface" in Robert Barnett (ed.), *A Poisoned Arrow - the Secret Petition of the 10th Panchen Lama*, TIN, London, 1998, (pp. xi-xxiii)

"Introduction: Continuity and Contradiction in TAR Institutions" in Victoria Conner and Robert Barnett, *Leaders in Tibet - A*

*Directory*, TIN (Tibet Information Network), London, 1997

"Towards an Analysis of the Tibetan Cadre Force" in Victoria Conner and Robert Barnett, *Leaders in Tibet - A Directory*, TIN (Tibet Information Network), London, 1997