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**Coalition Building in the Early Gay Liberation Movement:
The Hong Kong Connection Before & After the First Lesbian & Gay March
on Washington in 1979--Daniel C. Tsang, University of California, Irvine**

The speaker will address the radical roots of gay liberation organizing and coalition building in the United States that culminated in the October 1979 Lesbian & Gay March on Washington, where he helped organize a gay Asian contingent. He will talk about how activism in the United States and Canada impacted the early underpinnings of gay liberation in Hong Kong. He also details the activities and writings of Sam Ng Siu-ming, from Hong Kong, who actually visited the White House as part of a delegation of gay people of color in 1979, and founded Pink Triangle Press in Hong Kong on his return. Ng was also the key individual to introduce early German gay liberationist Magnus Hirschfeld to Hong Kong readers. Tsang ends his talk by comparing the early gay liberation struggles with the activities of Hong Kong's Umbrella Movement.

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Time: 4-6 p.m.

Venue: Rm813, 8/F, The Jockey Club Tower, HKU

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