

CHRISTIANITY, CONVERSION AND OVERSEAS CHINESE IN 17TH CENTURY MANILA



In this presentation, Dr. Barbara Watson Andaya steps outside her comfort zone to think about the interaction between the first generation of Christian missionaries and the largely Hokkien-speaking Chinese in Spanish Manila between 1581 and 1663.

Much has been written on the Chinese in Manila, but this presentation will focus on the deep involvement of non-Christian Chinese in the production of Christian books and religious artifacts, and on the sustained but unsuccessful efforts of the missionary orders to convert them. The presentation will provide visual examples of

this involvement as well as explanations as to why Christianity failed to appeal to overseas Chinese.

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