## New Series

-Reading about Japan at I-House Library Roger Buckley reads "Fireworks" and unpublished works by Angela Carter



(Penguin, 1987)

# Thursday, September 26, 2013, 7:00 pm

## The Library, International House of Japan

Language: English (Without Japanese interpretation) Admission: Members and Library members free, Non- member 500 yen (Reservations required)

Angela Carter (1940–1992) was an English novelist and journalist, known for her feminist and magical realism works. In 2008, *The Times* ranked Carter tenth in their list of "The 50 greatest British writers since 1945." In 2012, *Nights at the Circus* was selected as the best-ever winner of the James Tait Black Memorial Prize. Carter's relationship with Japan started when she landed in Japan in 1969, just after obtaining the Somerset Maugham Award. Her two-year experience here greatly affected her works.

In this reading session, Roger Buckley, who is known as a prominent academic in the field of foreign affairs, and has been tracing Carter's footsteps in Tokyo, will read from "Fireworks," her journalism, and unpublished works from the British Library, which only a few people have read. Those are the works that resulted from her experience in Tokyo. He will also expound on his research concerning her life in Tokyo.

Friends of Carter's who shared her time in Tokyo will also join the session. This is a session with a small audience in an informal manner, so please feel free to join us.

#### Roger Buckley, Ph.D.

Teaches on the Visiting Student Programme at Mansfield College, Oxford. He was previously professor of international history at International Christian University, Tokyo. His publications include "An Explosion of Appearances: Angela Carter's vision of Tokyo, 1970-1972," in *Proceedings of the Japan Society of London, 2013* (The Japan Society, 2013) and *The United States in the Asia-Pacific since 1945* (Cambridge University Press, 2002).



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