

# **CRAZY IN JAPAN**

## **Ethnographic Perspectives on Psychiatry and Mental Illness**

**November 14-15, 2008**

Organized by Karen Nakamura (Yale University),  
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The awe-inspiring 1980s image of "Japan Inc." has all but collapsed in the new millennium. The Japanese social machine has been crippled by self-doubt and the seeming increase of such psychosocial maladies as group suicide, alcoholism, domestic violence, mental illness, eating disorders, shut-ins, and school refusal syndrome. This two-day conference brings together leading medical anthropologists and clinical researchers from Japan, Canada, and the United States to discuss the current state of mental illness and social anomie in the world's second largest economy.

**Room 105, Anthropology Building, 10 Sachem Street, New Haven, CT**

**SESSION ONE** Friday, November 14 (1:30 PM-6:00 PM)

**SESSION TWO** Saturday, November 15 (9:00 AM-3:00 PM)

Laurence Kirmayer (McGill University) will deliver the Keynote Address on Friday at 1:30 PM

### **List of Participants**

Amy Borovoy – Princeton University  
Junko Kitanaka – Keio University  
Naoko Miyaji – Hitotsubashi University  
Karen Nakamura – Yale University  
Chikako Ozawa-de Silva – Emory University  
Ken Vickery – Harvard University  
Susan Orpett Long – John Carroll University  
John Traphagan – University of Texas-Austin

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