### **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**

Dec. 29 (Mon.): Flight from NYC-area airport to Denpasar, Bali,

Indonesia (DPS)

Dec. 31 (Wed.): Arrive DPS; travel by car to Bangah, Baturiti,

Tabanan, Bali; Welcome Banquet, Joged Bumbung,

and New Year's Celebration

Jan. 1 (Thu.): Orientation and village tour; rehearsal; visit to

Baturiti market and Taksu temple

Jan. 2 (Fri.): Class and rehearsal; free afternoon

Jan. 3 (Sat.): Class and rehearsal; visit to Beratan Temple and

Kebun Raya National Park and Botanical Garden,

Bedugul

Jan. 4 (Sun.): Class and rehearsal; visit to Tanah Lot

Jan. 5 (Mon.): Class and rehearsal; visit to Jatiluwih and rice-

planting workshop

Jan. 6 (Tue.): Class and rehearsal; travel to Ubud; visit to

Taman Ayun Royal Gardens, Sangeh Monkey Forest, Ubud Museum; evening performance

Jan. 7 (Wed.): Free day in Ubud; evening performance

Jan. 8 (Thu.): Visit to Besakih ("mother temple"), Klungkung

Palace, Tenganan Village; return to Bangah;

music and dance rehearsal

Jan. 9 (Fri.): Class and rehearsal; wood-carving workshop

Jan. 10 (Sat.): Class and rehearsal; Balinese cooking workshop

Jan. 11 (Sun.): Visit to Denpasar library and Institut Seni

Indonesia; free afternoon; evening rehearsal

Jan. 12 (Mon.): Class and rehearsal; depart for Singarajah and

Lovina; visit to organic farm; overnight in north

Bali

Jan. 13 (Tue.): Dolphin excursion; visit to GitGit and coffee

plantation; evening music and dance rehearsal in

Bangah

Jan. 14 (Wed.): Class and rehearsal; free afternoon

Jan. 15 (Thu.): Class and rehearsal; visit to Sanur beach

Jan. 16 (Fri.): Rehearsal and preparation for evening concert

and *selamatan* feast

Jan. 17 (Sat.): Closing class; free afternoon; evening class

dinner and visit to Taksu temple

Jan. 18 (Sun.): Depart DPS; arrive NYC-area airport; bus to

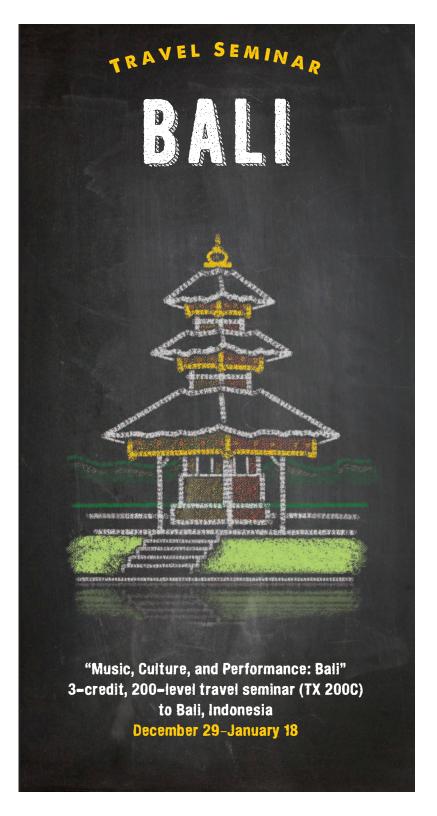
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# TRAVEL SEMINAR in Bali

# WHY BALI?

Music, dance, theater, and visual arts are ubiquitous in Bali, where artistic production is far out of proportion to the size and population of

the island. One of some 17,000 islands in the Indonesia archipelago, Bali is a place of dualism—suka and duka (the good and the bad), black and white, up and down—all contributing to a greater cosmic balance. Though Indonesia is the largest Muslim-majority country in the world, most Balinese practice Agama Hindu Dharma, a syncretic blend of Hinduism, Buddhism, and animism that requires performing and visual arts for the successful completion of the thousands of ceremonies undertaken each year. The unique history and culture of Bali are best understood through the arts, which connect past to present, self to community, and religion to reality.

Students and faculty will live in the Tangkas family compound in Bangah, a small village in central Bali. The daily class schedule will include lectures and discussion of readings on Balinese history, culture, arts, and environment. It will also include practical instruction in traditional music, dance, painting, and wood-carving, in conjunction with Sanggar Manik Galih, the music and dance studio housed in the compound. Students will experience Balinese arts and culture through participation in daily life, attendance at a wide range of performances, and lecture-demonstrations by a variety of artists and craftsmen. The studio has been outfitted with a gamelan angklung, gamelan gong kebyar, gamelan gender wayang, gamelan balaganjar, and gamelan joged bumbung for course use.

Lectures and discussions will address issues of colonialism, tourism, the environment, globalization, and modernization as they relate to Balinese culture, Balinese arts, and the island itself. All coursework provides a framework for better understanding the island's reliance on the arts and their close relationship with Balinese culture and religion.







# **FACULTY DIRECTOR**

Elizabeth Macy is a Skidmore visiting assistant professor who teaches courses in ethnomusicology. She holds a B.A. in music from Colorado College, an M.A. in music from UC-Riverside, and a Ph.D. in ethnomusicology from UCLA. Her primary research addresses the function of music tourism in postdisaster economies, with a particular focus on music tourism in the recovery and rebuilding of post-Katrina New Orleans and of Bali after the 2002 and 2005 terrorist bombings. She previously taught courses in Bali through Colorado College, conducted extensive research around the island, and is a founding member of the-Sanggar Manik Galih music and dance studio in central Bali.

# **PROGRAM DATES**

Monday, December 29, 2014-Sunday, January 18, 2015

### **REQUIREMENTS**

**On-campus prerequisite for travel seminar:** one mandatory two-hour class session. The meeting will be scheduled from 6 to 8 p.m. on an evening in November to review and discuss readings, travel seminar details, etc.

### COSTS

The anticipated fee for the seminar, \$4,600 (subject to fluctuation), includes Skidmore tuition, round-trip airfare between NYC-area airport and Bali, ground transportation for program excursions, on-site accommodations (generally double occupancy), meals, international medical insurance, entrance fees, local guides, cultural excursions, Skidmore faculty on site, and OCSE support. Transportation to and from New York City is not included; however, group transportation back to campus from the airport will be made available. Also not included in the fee are passport, visa costs, and personal expenses.

Financial aid is available for eligible students.

## **APPLY**

Eligibility: This course has no prerequisites and is open to all students.

**Deadlines:** Please apply by Friday, October 10, 2014. Application forms are at www.skidmore.edu/ocse.

All applicants must submit a \$250 deposit at the time of application to hold their space in the program (100% refundable for applicants not accepted to the program). This deposit will be applied to the program fee.



