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*China Beat* readers living in and around the Southern California region might want to check out one or more of these events in the upcoming weeks:

- On Tuesday, February 8, Jeff Wasserstrom will be speaking at UCLA, addressing a dinner organized and sponsored by the Physicians for Social Responsibility-Los Angeles. The evening's topic will be "China in the 21st Century: Legacies of the Past and Prospects for the Future," and information about purchasing tickets is available [here](#).
- On Thursday, February 10, Columbia University journalism professor (and China Beatnik) Howard French will be visiting UC Irvine to discuss "[Africa in the World/The World in Africa](#)" with Ngũgĩ wa Thiong'o of UCI's Department of Comparative Literature.
- Also on Thursday the 10th, Thomas Bernstein will be speaking at the University of Southern California on the topic of "[Varieties of Authoritarianism: Comparing China and Russia](#)." Read a *China Beat* interview with Bernstein, co-editor of *China Learns from the Soviet Union, 1949-Present*, [here](#).
- *China Beat* and the Humanities Collective at UC Irvine are holding an all-day workshop on Friday, February 11, focusing on the issue of "Securing Privacy." The full schedule is [here](#); the morning session, which will be all about China, will feature a panel composed of Jeff Wasserstrom, Howard French, Perry Link, Wang Chaohua, and Dorothy Solinger, moderated by UCI graduate student Silvia Lindtner.
- Christian Henriot will visit the University of Southern California on Tuesday, February 15 to give [a talk](#) on his work in integrating digital technologies with the study of urban history. Check out his [Virtual Shanghai](#) project for an example of Henriot's work in this vein.
- And on Tuesday, February 22, John Garnaut of the *Sydney Morning Herald* will speak at UCLA on the question of "[Is China Becoming a Mafia State?](#)"