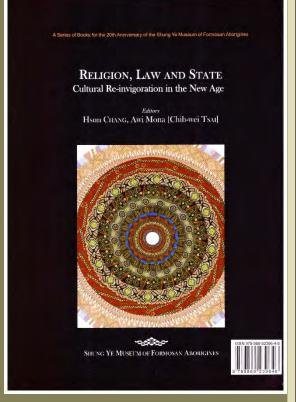
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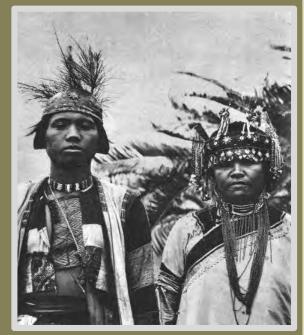




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- In 2014, Dr. Martin, was invited to Taiwan to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Shung Ye Museum of Formosan Aborigines in cooperation with Academia Sinica, the foremost research institute in Taipei, ROC. The Museum offered Steven a place in their upcoming publication, a book to commemorate their 20th anniversary:
 Religion, Law and State: Cultural Reinvigoration in the New Age.
- After three years of communication and collaboration, the Museum's book has been published and is now available to English and Chinese readers.





About the Research

Steven's research was focused on the remote, high-mountain jungle valley of Laipunuk (內本鹿), in the inaccessible mountains of southern Taiwan, home of the Bunun tribe, the last Taiwanese headhunters.

Having lived with the Bunun tribespeople for five years, he recorded their ways of life, their songs, their traditions and their histories, as part of an oral ethnography project.

"Their stories are the last of their kind, and it was an immense privilege to have the opportunity to document their lives."

According to Steven, "Taiwan is the source of the centuries-long process of the peopling of the Pacific, the so-called 'Pacific Rainbow' that maps the migration of peoples, materials and languages across the islands of the Pacific, from Taiwan all the way across to Hawaii."

To learn more about Steven's research on Taiwan, please visit his Homepage at: http://www.stevenandrewmartin.com/taiwan/

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