

### John Seed visit to Taiwan – March-April 2011 (draft itinerary)

Date	Place	Activities
28 March	Taoyuan to Kaohsiung	Arrival at Taoyuan Airport, transfer to Kaohsiung via HSR, travel to Wutai, overnight at Wutai
29 March	Kaohsiung/Southern Taiwan	Morning tour around Wutai with local guide, afternoon at Gaosu and discussion with locals about agriculture and environmental issues, overnight at Gaosu
30 March	Southern Taiwan to Taichung	Visit to Meinong Community University for workshop and discussion, evening to Taichung, accommodation at Providence University
31 March	Taichung	3pm presentations by action-based partners of the general education program, buffet dinner, 6:30pm eco-cultural night
1 April	Taichung to Nantou County	Visit to Wangxiang (aka Kalibuan, Neqo's village), learning about Bunun culture from village elders, overnight at Wangxiang
2 April	Nantou County to Hsinchu County	Travel to Jianshi, orientation to local issues by Daya, overnight at Marqwang
3 April	Hsinchu County	Concert in Jianshi, travel to Smangus or around Marqwang, to be confirmed
4 April	Hsinchu County	Smangus or Marqwang, to be confirmed
5 April	Hsinchu County to Taoyuan County	Travel to Hongshi Buddhist College, discussion forum, overnight at Hongshi College
6 April	Taoyuan County	Free time, overnight at Hongshi College
7 April	Taipei	Presentation to Society of Wilderness
8 April	Taipei	Council of All Beings
9 April	Taipei	Council of All Beings
10 April	Taipei	Presentation to Taiwan environmental NGOs annual meeting. Depart from Taoyuan Airport

A brief introduction to some of the places:

Wutai – This is a village of Rukai people high in the mountains.

Gaosu – Community on the plains.

Meinong – The centre of Hakka culture in Southern Taiwan. The area is also famous for being the centre of an anti-dam movement about ten years ago.

Wangxiang – Bunun village in Central Taiwan.

Jianshi – This is a mountain area that is home to a number of Atayal communities including Marqwang and Smangus. There are plans to construct two dams in the area and a protest movement is building in response to this.

Hongshi College – The founder is Ven. Chao Hwei. She is a Buddhist nun who is very active in social movements, especially for animal rights. She is also a patron of INEB.