SMFA Traveling Scholarship Proposal

I propose traveling to the following locations: Tokyo, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, and Delhi. This trip involves the exploration and comparison of development and utilization of urban space by means of the principals of psychogeography and Feng Shui. During this trip I will observe and participate in the civic life of these varied Asian cities by creating installations in "auspicious" locations. Just as my current work involves the negotiation of space, time and human interaction by means of sculptural interventions in places where "they do not belong", I as an outsider to these cities and cultures will push the idea of not belonging to another level. It is my hope that this experience will bring a new level of participation and perception to the work that I do in all locations.

-Bethany Bristow, January 2005