

**“Overview of the *Hmong Studies Journal*  
and its Contribution to Scholarship related  
to Hmong.”**

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# ***HISTORY OF THE HMONG STUDIES JOURNAL***

- **Started in 1996 by Robin Vue-Benson, a schoolteacher at Como Park High School in Saint Paul and Anne Frank, Southeast Asian Refugee Archive Librarian at California State University, Irvine – a time when relatively few resources about the Hmong were widely available**
- **The journal was intended to balance perspectives of those who worked in the community with academic work**
- **Journal was solely internet-based until 2003, first 4 volumes and 6 issues were only available on the internet**
- **Mark E. Pfeifer of the Hmong Resource Center Library was asked to take over as editor in mid-2002**
- **Articles are peer-reviewed by an editorial board of scholars and community members**

# ***GOALS OF THE HMONG STUDIES JOURNAL***

- **To promote cross cultural awareness and understanding between Hmong and non-Hmong**
- **To promote the development and acceptance of an emerging Hmong Studies discipline within the realm of Asian-American Studies and Southeast Asian regional studies**
- **To provide a recognized peer-reviewed academic forum for Hmong-origin scholars and non-Hmong scholars doing quality work related to the Hmong diaspora and Hmong culture and history**
- **To encourage young Hmong to enter the academic world and contribute significantly to the Asian-American Studies and Southeast Asian regional studies bodies of scholarship**

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# ***CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE HMONG STUDIES JOURNAL 1996-2006***

- **A total of 48 scholarly articles, bibliographies, and book reviews published in 10 years.**
- **In the past decade, has greatly increased the visibility of work in Hmong Studies and made it widely accessible to students and scholars throughout the world on the internet and in academic libraries**
- **Has published important work on a wide range of topics from many established and emerging scholars working on Hmong Studies issues**
- **Has provided a peer-reviewed forum for established and emerging Hmong-origin scholars writing on important issues in Hmong Studies – just under ½ of the articles published in the journal since 1996 have featured a Hmong-origin author, a proportion higher than all works published in the field since 1996 (about 25%)**

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