

Jim Connell, "The History of Tea and the Teapot"

This Power Point lecture runs for one hour starting with the origins and myths of tea in China, the numerous types of tea, the health and medicinal benefits of tea, the growing regions in China, the movement of tea to other growing regions around the world, the impact of tea on the world's various cultures, The English nation's contributions to tea and other curiosities such as the invention of tea bags, ice tea, instant tea and herbal teas. Then the lecture moves onto the first teapot made in Yixing, China in the 16th century, a short description of Yixing (the teapot capitol of the world) teapots, the tea and teapot importation, via Clipper ships, to Europe in the 18th century, the teapot's impact on various cultures, historical and contemporary teapots and an amusing display of novelty and silly teapots including origami teapots, teapot buildings, Alice in Wonderland teapots and sculptural teapots. I have included seven images (see attachments) to give you a few examples of the lecture's content.

Please consider my proposal and decide if this lecture would fit into your conference's theme.

Sincerely,

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