

Book Review "Philosophy of Systematic Shadow Puppet"


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Many events were held at Faculty of Philosophy UGM to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Faculty. One of those is book review of the *Philosophy of Systematic Shadow Puppet* written by Dr. Sri Teddy Rusdy, et. al. Along with Senawangi, the event presented Dr. Mudji Sutrisno (lecturer from STF Driyarkara) and Dr. Irvianto Budi S, M.Arch as book reviewers, and Dr. Sindung Tjahyadi as moderator on Friday (18/8) in the Notonegoro hall of the Faculty.

Mudji explained that all arts and local wisdom in the Archipelago were sourced from the life itself from which they do it and implement it every day. According to Mudji, to do it requires the analysis of live in. "Using the live in analysis we are demanded to note and describe that we will go there," said Mudji.

Mudji said the Javanese shadow puppet (*wayang*) has three Javanese philosophies. First is human in the universal cycle (or the origin and end goal of life) through *wayang*, people learn to find their guidelines in life. Second, *wayang* contains reference for virtue in contrast with vice (reaping what has been sown) Third is the quiet journey of life, man as creature unites with its creator. Mudji added when we know the epistemology, the implication of *wayang* philosophy on good conduct and characters of the wayang will enter a religious man.



According to Mudji, with the book of *Philosophy of Systematic Shadow Puppet*, a theory will arise or a philosophical systematisation. He added if a philosophy has been systematised logically and rationally, it will make sense and can be communicated, then it became systematic.

The launching of the book, according to Mudji, became a centripetal movement, but this should also be followed by centrifugal movement so clear borders can be drawn between the tangible and intangible.

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