



Dukhas Khandaa and Bijikis from the West Taiga reindeer settlement with their horses in town

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Nomadicare supports and preserves traditional Mongolian nomadic culture through healthcare, films, and stories.

Dear Friends,

We hope this message finds you well.

As Sas Carey reaches her 80th year, we, her advisory board members, are writing you with an urgent and heartfelt request to support her work as the visionary founder and director of Nomadicare. We have shared these last thirty years as she dedicated herself to supporting and preserving traditional Mongolian nomadic culture through healthcare, films, and stories. There is more work to do.

Sas has worked tirelessly, capturing the culture, struggles, and lives of Mongolia's nomads, whose traditional way of life is increasingly threatened by modern pressures. Through her films and books, Sas has created a powerful platform for raising awareness about the importance of preserving this unique culture for generations to come and for the herders to look back upon the lives of their ancestors.

Your generous donation now will help ensure that her archives, including video footage, photographs, songs, and oral histories, remain accessible. For this purpose, we are excited to announce that The University of Pennsylvania Library Special Collections is interested in holding her digital archives! Sas is busy organizing the material.

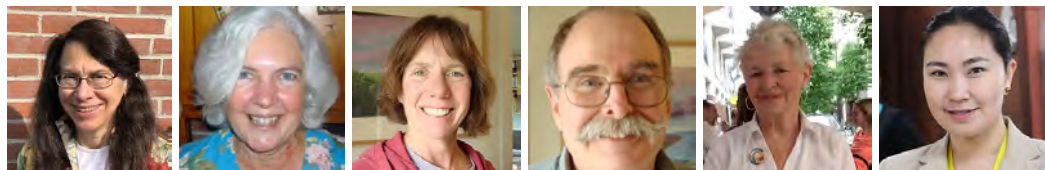
Thank you for contributing to this work. Please consider contributing today. Your support is vital and will go a long way in ensuring that Sas Carey's work lasts for the future.

Thank you, Susie

Warmly,
Carolyn Schmidt, Cheryl Mitchell, Lucy McKeon, Jonathan Hodgkins, Robin Lloyd, Munkhjin Bayanjargal



Sas Carey on a cold day in the Mongolian countryside





Marrying Mongolia

For great Christmas-Hanukkah presents, discover the captivating journeys of Sas Carey in *Marrying Mongolia: A Memoir* in soft copy and audiobook. Her storytelling brings to life the vibrant traditions and challenges of her friends, Mongolia's nomadic herders. www.nomadicare.org/marrying-mongolia.



Dukha reindeer antler ornaments are available for your tree from:

<https://www.etsy.com/listing/1812375037/reindeer-antler-ornament?etsrc=sdt>

Or, buy them directly from **Nomadicare** or **Sweet Cecily** Gift Shop in Middlebury.



Sas Carey recording her book *Marrying Mongolia* for the audio version

News About Our Movies and Books:

Transition and *Gobi Children's Song* are available at Globalcinema.online.

Migration is translated into French to premiere in France in February.

Marrying Mongolia is now an audiobook! Available from your favorite audio platform.

How Can You Help Us for 2025?

Vitamin C and D for 50 Dukha families	(need 50)	\$50
Hygiene kits for 50 families	(need 50)	\$30
Prepare the digital archive package for UPenn		\$8,800
Pack and ship clothing and medicine archives		\$1,800
Ongoing Mongolian Hygiene and Vitamin Project		\$4,000
Distribution of movies and books		\$4,300
Presentations including <i>Migration</i> Premiere in France		\$8,000

Checks

Please make your tax-deductible gift out to our 501(c)3 fiscal agent Ecologia, write "Nomadicare" on the memo line, and mail it to

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Securities

We maintain a brokerage account for the purpose of accepting donations of securities. Please contact Nomadicare's fiduciary agent, Carolyn Schmidt of ECOLOGIA.

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Contents of a hygiene kit

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Honoring Susie Cronin



Nomadicare would like to honor our great helper and contributor, Susie Cronin. Susie has served on the advisory board and was Executive Producer of two movies *Gobi Children's Song* and *Transition*. She made sure that the Dukha herders each got a copy of *Reindeer Herders in My Heart*. When Nomadicare trained doctors in rural Mongolia, Susie sponsored the traditional and laboratory training. Her support and generosity have been constant and invaluable over the years.

Medicine and Clothing Archives

Medicine. Over the years, we have gathered traditional Mongolian medicine materials, including books, training notes, raw ingredients, and herbal medicines. Do you know a traditional Mongolian medicine practitioner or an organization dedicated to preserving this ancient knowledge who could use these?

Clothing. We have acquired children's traditional clothing from Mongolia, including deels, hats, and shirts. We are looking for an organization that could make good use of these items, either for educational purposes or cultural exchange. Do you know any school or non-profit which might be interested?



Traditional Mongolian woman's headdress



*103-year-old Dukha shaman Soyon,
the grandmother of many taiga shamans*

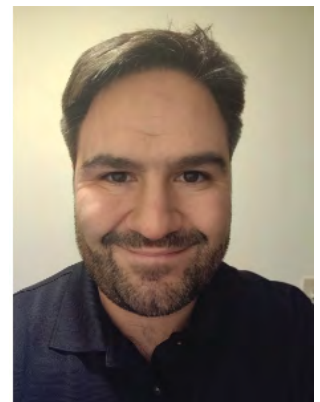


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Nomadicare's Archive

The University of Pennsylvania has expressed interest in obtaining Nomadicare's digital and paper archive materials as a special collection. This means that documentation of the lives of Mongolia's nomadic herders for the past three decades would be preserved. Archivist Nicholas Connizzo has helped organize our collection, which includes video footage, still photographs, clinical notebooks, calendars, documents, and documentaries. We continue to work on this sorting through 25,000 photos.

For years, we have hoped our archive would be accessible to scholars, researchers, and herders. Becoming a Special Collection at UPenn means that the cultural and social experiences of Mongolia's nomads will be available in the future.



Nick Connizzo