

## UPACARA TINGKEBAN DI SEMARANG BARAT

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### *Abstract*

Eta Farmacelia Nurulhady.2004. The Ritual of Tingkeban in Semarang Barat. *Kajian Sastra* 4(XXVIII): 314-323. Tingkeban is a ritual of passage in Javanese tradition which marks the 7<sup>th</sup> month of the first pregnancy of a mother-to be. This ritual is full of symbolism. There are variations which occur in the ritual which are held in Semarang Barat. The variations include the participant, system of belief, instrument and system of the ritual. This article tries to analyze the variations, reveals the symbolism involved in the ritual and finds out the meaning.

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