

Roland Fletcher – Scholar in Residence at Amansara



Day 1 - 16th December 2018

In House talk in Amansara' s library

USD65++ per person

Angkor was the largest low-density city of the agrarian world. The talk is an introduction to Greater Angkor, whose well- known central area and vast surrounding suburbs covered about a thousand square kilometres and contained about 750,000 people. Angkor was a place where people lived and worked in enormous numbers, many of maintained the great temples and supplied the food for their staff. The talk will discuss how the city functioned and the implications for its history.

This informal talk with Professor Fletcher will be prolonged with the opportunity to join him for dinner in our Dining room.

Day 2 – 17th December 2018

West Baray exploration

USD 150++ for two

Across the vast area of Greater Angkor an immense, sophisticated water management network regulated floods and distributed water for rice production. This talk introduces guests to the major parts of the water network especially the gigantic reservoirs, the *baray*. A visit to the West Baray presents the huge size and sophistication of the network and also begins to explain how the network relates to the success of Angkor and to its demise.

Day 3 – 18th December 2018

Amansara' s Khmer Village House – An evening with Professor Roland Flechter from the University of Sydney, and Director of the 'The Greater Angkor Project'

USD 135++ per guest

Angkor daily life during Khmer Empire

From the 12th century onwards the social, political and religious life of Angkor became complicated and changed a great deal. The world outside the Khmer Empire was also changing. New political powers were developing in the Chao Praya basin and along the coast of Vietnam. In the 14th and the 15th centuries severe climate change adversely affected Angkor and by the 16th century Angkor and the region around it was largely abandoned. The water network of Angkor no longer functioned and the Khmer state moved sideways to the Phnom Penh region where it has continued to the present day.

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| 17:00 | Early evening presentation at Khmer Village House by Roland Fletcher |
| 18:00 – 19:00 | Cocktails & Canapés |
| 19:00 – 19:20 | Sacred Dancers of Angkor performance |
| 19:30 – 21:00 | Khmer Traditional Dinner |