Asian Film Festival 2007: Southeast Asian Popular Cinema
Educator Workshops on Women and Islam / Genocide in Cambodia
Saturday, Nov. 10, 2007, 9:00am - 12:45 pm
Springer Cultural Center
Film screening to follow at 1:00 pm

The Asian Educational Media Service (AEMS) at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign is pleased to offer an opportunity for local educators—K-12 and beyond—to engage with Southeast Asian film as a tool to teach about culture and society.

As part of the annual Asian Film Festival hosted by the Center for East Asian and Pacific Studies (EAPS) and AEMS, this workshop will feature presentations focused on specific films shown at the film festival. The films will be screened at Boardman’s Art Theatre in downtown Champaign on Friday and Saturday; all showings are free and open to the public. For a complete schedule with film descriptions, please visit our website at: http://www.aems.uiuc.edu/events/filmfestival/filmfest_2007.html

Workshop #1: Islamist Dreams, Women’s Realities in Southeast Asia
Nelly Van Doorn-Harder’s presentation on woman and Islam in Southeast Asia will draw on 2 feature films: Love for Share (Indonesia, screens Friday at 7pm) and Sepet (Malaysia, Saturday at 6pm) Van Doorn-Harder is the Patheja Chair for World Religions and Ethics at Valparaiso University. Her studies of Islam in Southeast Asia and Christianity in the Middle East focus on gender studies, inter-faith issues, and contemporary daily practices. Before coming to Valparaiso University in January 1999, Van Doorn-Harder taught Islamic Studies at a university in Yogyakarta, Indonesia, and helped initiate an Institute for the Study of Religion and Interfaith. Her recent publications include Women Shaping Islam: Indonesian Women Reading the Qur’an (University of Illinois Press, 2006).

Workshop #2: Teaching about the Khmer Rouge: Cambodia (1975-1979)
Judy Ledgerwood will present a workshop guiding educators on teaching about the Khmer Rouge genocide in Cambodia, with reference to the documentary film Out of the Poison Tree as a resource. Professor Ledgerwood is a cultural anthropologist whose research interests include gender, refugee and diaspora communities, and the transnational movements of people and ideas. Her current research is focused on Cambodian Buddhism and ideas of cultural identity. Professor Ledgerwood's dissertation was on changing Khmer conceptions of gender in Khmer refugee communities in the United States. She teaches general cultural anthropology, anthropology and human diversity, history and theory of anthropology, women in cross cultural perspectives, Asian-American cultures, anthropology of gender, and peoples and cultures of mainland Southeast Asia at Northern Illinois University. Her new edited book, At the Edge of the Forest: Essays on Cambodia in honor of David Chandler, will appear from the Cornell Southeast Asian Studies Program in 2008.

General information and materials on Southeast Asia will also be provided at this workshop, and there will be time for discussion and questions. A complimentary Thai lunch will be provided to all participants.
SOUTHEAST ASIAN FILM WORKSHOP
Saturday, Nov. 10, 2007

Registration Deadline: November 2, 2007

Registration Fee: FREE

To Register: Please complete and send the attached Registration Form to the Asian Educational Media Service at:

Southeast Asian Film Workshop
Attn: Jason Finkelman
Asian Educational Media Service
805 West Pennsylvania Avenue
Urbana, IL 61801
FAX: (217) 265-0641
Tel: 217-265-0640; email: finkelma@uiuc.edu

Schedule:

9:00 - 9:15am Registration (Springer Cultural Center)
9:15 - 10:15am Islamist Dreams, Women’s Realities in Southeast Asia
10:30 - 11:30am Teaching About the Khmer Rouge: Cambodia (1975-1979)
11:45 - 12:45pm Lunch and Conversation
1:00 - 2:00pm Screening: Out of the Poison Tree (Boardman’s Art Theatre)

Meals: All registered workshop participants receive a Thai lunch.

Location: Springer Cultural Center, Rm 207, 301 North Randolph, Champaign.

Parking: Off-street parking is available near the Boardman Art Theatre and the Springer Cultural Center in Champaign.

Special Needs: If you have any special dietary or access needs, please fill out the relevant section of the attached registration form.
Registration Form

Name ________________________________

Title/Position __________________________

School Name __________________________

School District _________________________

Subject Taught ________________________    Grade level Taught __________________________

School Address ________________________    Home Address ______________________________

City, State, Zip ________________________    City, State, Zip _____________________________

School Telephone ______________________   Home Telephone ___________________________

School Fax # __________________________   Email _____________________________________

SPECIAL NEEDS: Please indicate any special dietary or access needs (feel free to use additional space or to attach a letter):

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