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CAMBODIAN-AUSTRALIAN WELFARE COUNCIL OF NSW INC.

In partnership with Liverpool TAFE Outreach

Stories of Survival, Stories of Strength

Refugee Week Conference 2010



Celebrate Freedom from Fear

Thursday 24th June 2010

9.00 am – 1.00 pm

TAFE Training and Education Centre (new building)

140 Bigge St, Liverpool NSW 2170

(cnr Moore St and close to Liverpool train station – see map over page)

RSVP by 22nd June 2010

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This conference has been organised in partnership with Liverpool TAFE Outreach and supported by Department of Immigration and Citizenship

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LOCATION ON MAP



140 Bigge St, Liverpool NSW 2170

Parking Options

1. Council parking station, Warren Serviceway (off Bigge St)
2. Westfields Shoppingtown
3. Liverpool Plaza, Northumberland St
4. Bathurst St Carpark (next to NRMA)

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Stories of Survival, Stories of Strength is a unique event to discover the true stories of Cambodian refugee people and their journey of successful settlement in Australia. At the same time, it will be an opportunity for all of us to celebrate '*freedom from fear*'.

OBJECTIVES

1. To share experiences of the Cambodian genocide during the Pol Pot Regime to the Cambodian community and service providers that work with the community
2. To increase service providers' awareness of the experiences of the Cambodian community and how they can use this understanding to better work with the community
3. To inform and educate the younger generation of the Cambodian and wider community about these historic events
4. To celebrate Cambodian refugees' 'Freedom from Fear' as they reflect on their lives and settlement in Australia

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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

9.00 am	Registration
9.30 am	Acknowledgement of Country: Margaret Lindenbauer
9.40 am	Official Opening: Mr. Sarithya Tuy <i>Acting President of Cambodian Australian Welfare Council of NSW Inc.</i>
9.45 am	Short DVD Clip
10.00 am	"Let bygones, be bygones?" by Andrew Ang
10.30 am	"Shaped by the past" by Thida Cheav
10.45 am	Morning tea
11.15 am	"My Story" by Leakhena Sous
11.30 am	"This is how I Transformed my LIFE" by Aliz LIM
11.40 am	Questions and Answers
11.55 am	Photo presentation on Cambodian settlement in NSW
12.05 pm	Traditional Cambodian performance
12.10 pm	Vote of thanks
12.15 pm	Traditional Cambodian lunch
1.00 pm	Close

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SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES



Andrew C.H. Ang grew up in a multicultural family in the City of Battambang, Cambodia and arrived in Sydney as a refugee in mid -1983.

In Australia, he has obtained two teaching qualifications, a Master in Social Administration and a post graduate qualification in Management from the Australian Graduate School of Management (AGSM) - the Consortium of Sydney and NSW Universities.

Currently, Andrew manages the Multicultural Education Services at Granville College of TAFE in SW Sydney. Andrew works across faculties; he designs and develops relevant Vocational Education Training courses to meet the needs of NESB communities.

Prior to this appointment, Andrew had an 18-year career in the Child Protection and Family Services industry with government and large non-government organisations starting from field work to senior executive levels.

He was the president of the Cambodian-Australian Welfare Council of NSW Inc. for 3 years and subsequently he held the position of Director of Community Relations until mid 2009. He is currently a Board Member of The Hills Holroyd Parramatta Migrant Resource Centre.

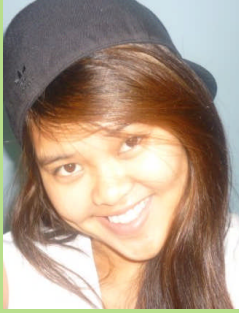
Andrew was appointed many times by Government Departments to provide advice on multicultural, migrants and refugee issues and policies.

Andrew witnessed the torture of his parents during the Genocidal regime of Pol Pot. Many well-educated relatives of his were killed.

Against all odds, Andrew not only survived the Khmer Rouge holocaust, but has turned his most disadvantaged situations into a success story.

Andrew is a strong believer and promoter of multiculturalism, social justice and harmony, social inclusion, change management, teamwork and he is an active advocate for diversity in the workplace and society. Andrew has been invited to speak at many conferences/forums on refugee issues.

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Thida Lena Cheav was born in Phnom Penh, Cambodia in December, 1988 and migrated to Australia on the 1st of July, 1995

She attended Fairfield Public School for four years before moving to Fairfield West Public School. From there she attended Westfield Sports High and was honoured as one of the top achievers in 2006 and earned a special place on the level one honours board.

Thida is privileged to be a first generation University graduate in her family. After studying a Bachelor of Business and Commerce, in Human Resource Management, she decided to venture out and establish a franchise consultancy business in Marketing. Her dream is to wake up each and every day with a purpose to positively impact on the lives of many. She truly believes in continual education being the light guiding our world forward.



Leakhena Sous was born in Cambodia and arrived in Australia as a refugee on 7 June 1983. Completed a school certificate in Cambodia and then in Australia. She became an English-Khmer Interpreter and has also completed a Diploma in Accounting.

Leakhena gained a job as a public servant working for the Federal Government from January 1984 until March 2010. She worked in the Department of Veterans Affairs, Refugee Review Tribunal, Australian Taxation Office and the Child Support Agency.

Leakhena works casually as a Bilingual Community Educator with the NSW Sydney South West Area Health Service and also provides voluntary assistance to disadvantaged Khmer people within the Khmer community with AFFORD (*Australian Foundation for Disability*) working in partnership with the Cambodian-Australian Welfare Council.

She retired in March 2010 to care for her brother.



Aliz Lim was born in Phnom Penh, Cambodia and grew up in a multicultural Chinese Cambodian family. She is able to speak English, three Chinese dialects (Teocheow, Mandarin and Cantonese) and Khmer.

Aliz arrived in Australia in mid 2009 with the whole family as migrants. She is currently a Year 11 student at Cabramatta High School.

As a young adult, Aliz gained a strong perspective of the 'possible and impossible' in the younger generation. The word 'impossible' means nothing to everyone and especially to young adults like herself.

Her interests are reading psychology books, educational stories, researching online and chilling out with friends as well as making new friends.

Aliz strongly dislikes being judgemental, discriminating, racist, selfishness and people who simply take advantage of others.