



Cambodian Diaspora Victims' Participation Project in the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia

presented by:

ASRIC and The APA Institute at New York University,

with legal partner:

Harvard Law School's War Crimes Prosecution Clinic

in cooperation with:

*Middlesex Community College, Cambodian Mutual Assistance Association
Lowell Community Health Center/Metta Health Center, Cambodian Expressions*

Background

In 1975-79, the Khmer Rouge systematically killed an estimated 2 million Cambodians through torture, starvation, or execution. More than 3 decades later, the suffering continues as Cambodians in the diaspora struggle to overcome a horrific past and reclaim their personal, national, and spiritual identity as an empowered and resilient people. ASRIC has organized this event to allow survivors of these crimes to share personal stories of survival in a vital step towards the catharsis, healing, and strengthening of the entire Cambodian community. As part of this healing, ASRIC will provide survivors with the opportunity to have their voices heard at the trials of Khmer Rouge officials taking place in the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC) by helping survivors to document evidence to submit to the Court.

Program:

Friday, November 6, 2009, 6 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Presentations about ASRIC's work and the on-going trials at the ECCC

Saturday and Sunday, November 7-8, 2009, 10:00 a.m. – 6 p.m.

ASRIC Staff will help survivors complete Victim Information Forms for submission to the ECCC

Locations:

Friday: Middlesex Community College Assembly Room, 50 Kearney Square, Lowell, MA

Saturday/Sunday: Cambodian Mutual Assistance Association, 120 Cross St., Lowell, MA

RSVP by November 3 by sending an e-mail message to: apa.asric-khmer.justice@nyu.edu

For more information: ASRIC - www.apa.nyu.edu/ click on "Research" and select "Special Projects."