

**Monarchies, Decolonisation and Royal Legacies
in the Asia-Pacific**

**Department of History, The University of Sydney
6-7 December 2017**

organised by Robert Aldrich and Cindy McCreery

Wednesday, 6 December 2017

9.30-10.00 **Welcome and Introduction**

10.00-11.30 **Keynote address**

Harshan Kumarasingham (University of Edinburgh), 'Monsoon Monarchy: The Mercurial Fortunes of the Crown in South Asia since 1947'

11.30-12.00 **Morning coffee**

12.00-1.00 **India and Japan**

Jim Masselos (University of Sydney), 'Decolonised Rulers: Rajas, Maharajas and Others in Postcolonial Times'

Elise Tipton (University of Sydney), 'From Absolute Monarchy to "Symbol Emperor": The Transformation of the Japanese Imperial Institution after 1945'

1.00-2.00 **Lunch**

2.00-3.30 **The Dutch East Indies / Indonesia I**

Adrian Vickers (University of Sydney), 'Royal and Other Portraits of Nineteenth-Century Indonesian Rulers in Transition'

Robert Cribb (Australian National University), 'Faltering Decolonisation: The 1929 *Ontvoogding* (Detutelisation) of the Aristocracies in the Netherlands Indies'

Jean Gelman Taylor (University of New South Wales), 'Sultans and the State: Power and Pretence in the Dutch Colony and the Republic of Indonesia'

3.30-4.00 **Afternoon tea**

4.00-5.00 **The Dutch East Indies / Indonesia II**

Bayu Dardias (Gadjah Mada University / Australian National University), 'Surviving Monarchy in Indonesia through the Formation of a Special Region: Yogyakarta, 1940-1950'

Susie Protschky (Monash University), 'In Disputed Territory: The Dutch Monarchy during the Indonesian National Revolution and in Dutch New Guinea (1945-62)'

5.15 **Reception hosted by the Department of History**

Day 2, Thursday, 7 December 2107

10.00-11.30 **Special Guest Presentation**

Milton Osborne (Sydney), 'The Paradox of Cambodian Royalty, from Norodom (1836-1904) to Sihanouk (1922-2012)'

11.30-12.00 **Morning coffee**

12.00-1.00 **South Pacific Monarchies**

Matt Fitzpatrick (Flinders University), 'The Samoan Monarchy and the Last Years of the German Pacific'

Robert Aldrich and Cindy McCreery (University of Sydney), 'Colonialism and Monarchy in Oceania'

1.00-2.00 **Lunch**

2.00-3.00 **Australia**

Bruce Baskerville (University of Sydney), 'New South Wales' Vice-Royal Landscapes: Legacies Hidden in Plain Sight'

Mark McKenna (University of Sydney), 'Indigenous Australians and the British Crown, 1954-2017'

3.00-3.30 Afternoon Tea

3.30-5.00 Roundtable Discussion

With participation by paper-givers and Miranda Johnson, Sophie Loy-Wilson, Lily Rahim and Andrés Rodríguez (University of Sydney), and Maria Nugent (Australian National University).

7.00 Dinner at Mekong Restaurant

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This is the third in a series of conferences on the history of colonialism and modern monarchies sponsored by the Department of History.

All sessions will take place in the Brennan-McCallum Building, Room 822, with morning and afternoon tea (without cost) outside the room.

Lunches are provided in the Courtyard Café in the Holme Building. The conference will pay for a dish (pasta, salad or sandwich) and a non-alcoholic beverage for each paper-giver and confirmed participant in the roundtable.

The Department of History is graciously hosting a reception for participants in the conference, and members of the Department, on Wednesday, 6 December, next to the conference meeting room.

On Thursday, 7 December, the organisers have booked a table at the Mekong Restaurant, 2/14 Kensington Street, Camperdown (off Broadway, near Central Station). (<https://www.mekong-restaurant.com.au>) Dinner is at participants' own expense. Please confirm with the organisers on the first day of the conference if you would like to attend.

The organisers would like to thank Prof. Chris Hilliard, Chair, Department of History and Dr Miranda Johnson and the Pacific Studies Network for their kind support.

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