

ICOMOS SINGAPORE HERITAGE LECTURE

Viewing Bukit Brown and Seh Ong Cemeteries from a Historical Geographic Information System (GIS) Perspective



When the Bukit Brown Documentation Team undertook the documentation of about 4,000 graves at the Bukit Brown and Seh Ong cemeteries in 2011-12, GPS coordinates of the graves were also collected. This has allowed further analysis of the data through a GIS framework.

Using GIS visualization over specific time periods, this webinar will demonstrate how the Bukit Brown and Seh Ong cemeteries were populated over the late 19th century and the first half of the 20th century. The varying spatial-temporal patterns will also show some of the key differences between a clan association cemetery and a Chinese municipal cemetery. Finally, the webinar will explore some of the social and cultural implications of these patterns.

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

H ui Yew-Foong is an anthropologist and Associate Professor at the Hong Kong Shue Yan University. He first embarked on the documentation of cemeteries in 2008, when he led a team of volunteers to document the now-exhumed Kwong Hou Sua Teochew Cemetery. In late 2011, he led another project to document the graves of the Bukit Brown and Seh Ong Cemeteries affected by an eight-lane highway to be built through the cemeteries. Besides deathscapes and heritage, his research interests include the Chinese minority in Southeast Asia, religion and politics, and regionalism in Indonesia.

Feng Chen-Chieh is an Associate Professor at the Department of Geography and affiliates with the GIS Unit and the Tropical Environmental Change research group in the same department. He holds a MS from National Taiwan University and a PhD from SUNY-Buffalo, both in Geography. His research field is in geographic information systems and science, and their applications in environmental modelling, public health, digital humanities, urban transportation, and three-dimensional GIS. He is currently expanding his research interest in spatial ontology to multi-lingual applications through machine-learning approaches.





DATE/TIME 14 January (Saturday), 2.00–3.30 pm

VENUE Online Zoom Platform

REGISTRATION Admission to the lecture is free with registration at:

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