

Legacies and Landscapes of South East Asia

with

The Pan Am Historical Foundation

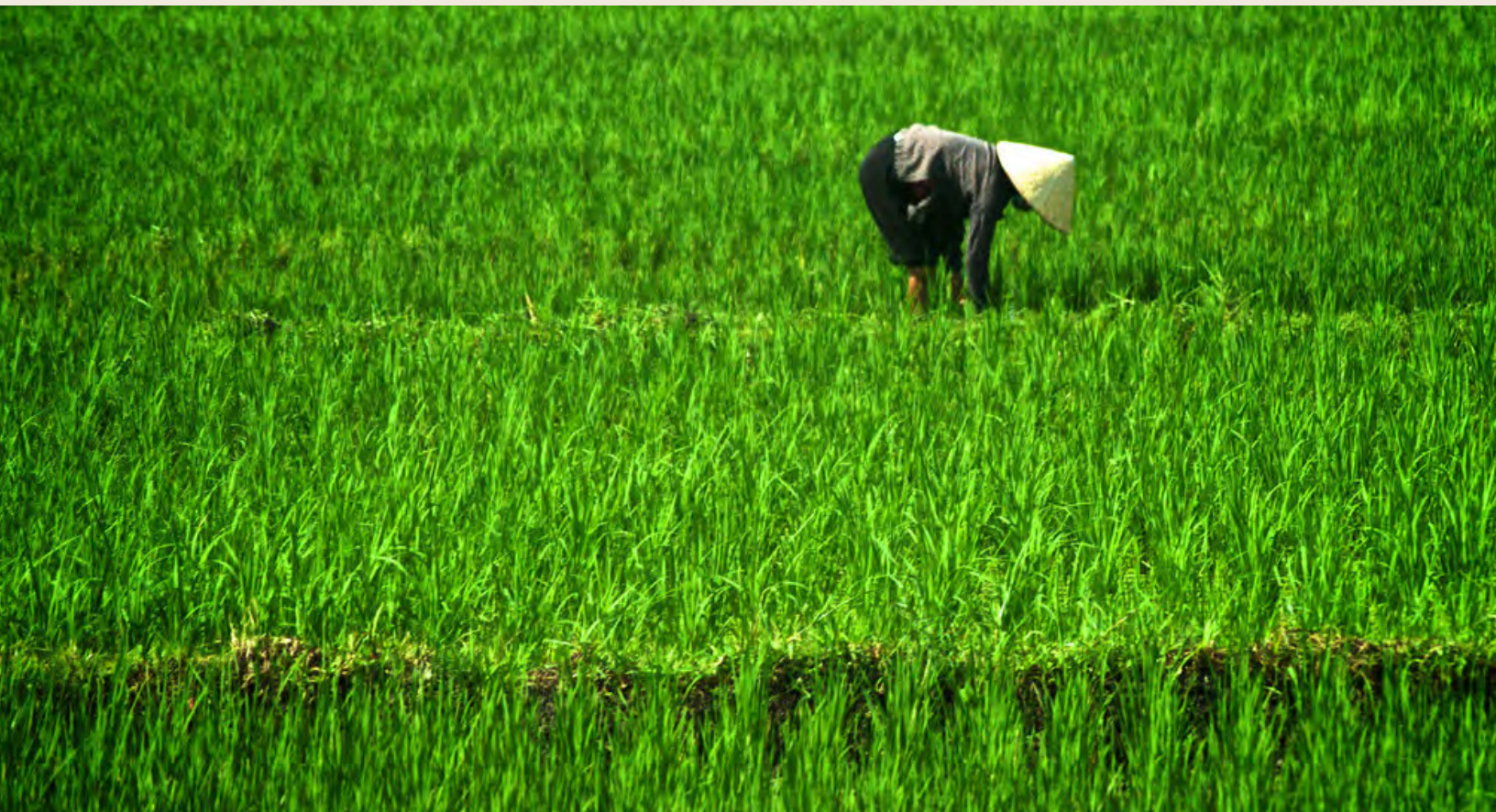
February 18 - March 4, 2018

Although bound together historically by French colonial rule, these three countries possess quite different cultural heritages and our rich program will unravel some of the world's most beautiful landscapes. Our itinerary begins in Hanoi where the Temple of Literature honors Vietnamese scholars. Explore Hue, an imperial, tranquil town where the life of the strongly Buddhist population focuses on the 82 pagodas that sprinkle the city. Drive along a spectacular coastal road to Hoi An, which, in the 16th century, was an important trading center and a port of call for Chinese, Japanese and Portuguese ships. Discover the Cham site at Mi Son where the ancient towers look stark against the intense green of the mountainsides. From Saigon explore the bustling Mekong Delta before flying to Siem Reap to visit the magnificent temple complex at Angkor. The central temple, Angkor Wat, is a hand-carved mountain of sandstone, its 12th century walls covered with intricately carved bas-reliefs. End the program with two nights in Luang Prabang, the former royal capital of Laos, located on the banks of the Mekong River. This sleepy town is intensely religious and monks in saffron robes shuffle through the streets each morning, holding out their brass begging bowls to be filled with food by the faithful.

The Pan Am Historical Foundation has in the past sponsored trips to Cuba and Iran, and is now planning this trip in February 2018 to Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos. Southeast Asia was an important region for Pan Am, and the planned visit to Saigon will be particularly poignant for those of us who traveled or were stationed there with Pan Am.

I look forward to traveling with you on this wonderful journey!

Edward Trippe
Chairman





Day-by-Day Itinerary

Sunday, February 18: Depart.

Depart for an overnight flight to Vietnam.

Monday, February 19: Hanoi.

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Arrive in Hanoi and transfer to the *Hotel de l'Opera*.

Enjoy a welcome dinner at the hotel this evening.

Tuesday, February 20: Hanoi.

B,L,D

Spend the day exploring Hanoi with a stop at the Temple of Literature. Enjoy lunch at KOTO (Know One, Teach One). This stunning restaurant overlooking the Temple is a restaurant/training facility that works with street kids.

After lunch meet with Bill Nguyen, the co-founder of Manzi Art Space. Our tour with Mr. Nguyen will review the major shifts in Vietnam's modern history through the eyes of artists.

Enjoy dinner at a wonderful local restaurant.

Wednesday, February 21: Hanoi.

B,L,D

This morning visit Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum and Hanoi's Old Quarter, the city's beating heart of commerce, as old as the city itself. Narrow streets, each named after the produce that it sells or used to sell, create an intricate web of activity and color. During the walk purchase ingredients for our lunch which you will learn to prepare.

After lunch, visit the Truc Lam Sung Phuc Zen Monastery where travelers are freely allowed to ask open questions about Buddhism, meditation, daily life and human relationships.

Thursday, February 22: Hue.

B,L,D

Morning flight to Hue. Enjoy this beautiful imperial city whose temples provide a history of their emperors. Enjoy a private cruise on the Perfume River and watch a water puppet performance.

Overnight at the *La Residence Hotel*.

Before dinner meet with Mr. Nguyen - an intellectual of Vietnam.

Dinner this evening at the charming Jardins de la Carambole.

Friday, February 23: Hoi An.

B,L,D

Morning drive along a spectacular coastal road to Danang and a visit to the Cham Museum which houses the finest collection of Cham sculptures in the world. The cumulative effect of the collection is stunning.

Meet with staff from VAVA - the Vietnam Association for Victims of Agent Orange which was founded in 2004 with aims to support the victims of Agent Orange. Stop at China Beach where American troops set foot onto Vietnam soil for the first time.

End the day at Hoi An and check into the *Hotel Royal Hoi An*.

Saturday, February 24: Hoi An.

B,L,D

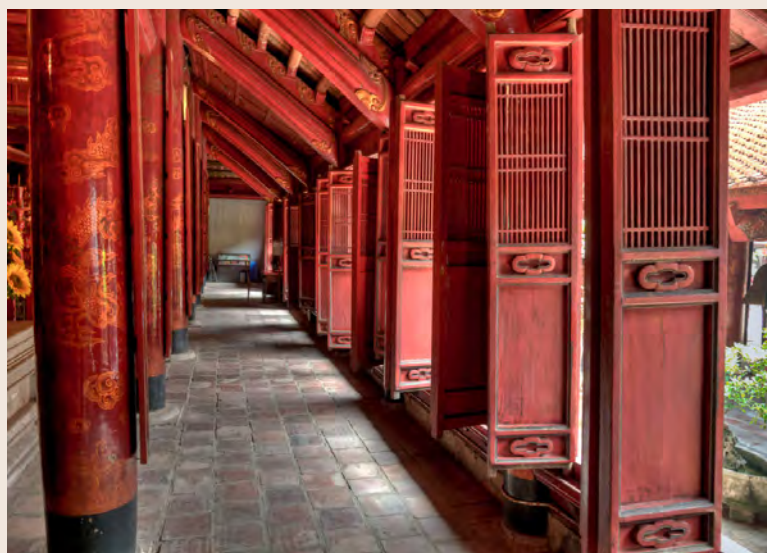
Morning excursion to My Son, considered to be one of Vietnam's most impressive Cham sites.

Return to Hoi An by private boat and enjoy lunch at the Brother's Café. After lunch begin exploring the sleepy town of Hoi An.

Sunday February 25: Ho Chi Minh City.

B,L,D

Morning flight to Ho Chi Minh City.





After lunch meet with Nguyen Hai, an expert calligrapher. Thu Ph  p, or calligraphy, is an ancient art form with Chinese origins.

Transfer to the **Caravelle Hotel**. Enjoy a cocktail on the hotel's roof-top bar before dinner.

Monday, February 26: Ho Chi Minh City. B,L

Begin the morning with a discussion led by historian Tim Doling, focusing on a comprehensive introduction to Saigon, its history and built heritage with a focus on Saigon's role today in the Vietnamese economy.

Spend the balance of the day exploring this fascinating city.

Tuesday, February 27: Ho Chi Minh City. B,L

Enjoy a full day excursion to the Mekong Delta. Our plan today is to introduce the group to the amazing local people, the villages they call home and the peaceful rivers they use as a part of their daily lives. These tributaries of the Mekong are the life line for many communities living close by.

Return to Saigon at the end of the day.

Wednesday, February 28: Siem Reap. B,L,D

Morning flight to Siem Reap. Upon arrival, explore the Bayon Temple, decorated with 1,200 meters of extraordinary bas-relief.

After lunch at Angkor Caf  , visit Ta Prohm whose ruins stand as a monument to the awesome power of the jungle.

Dinner this evening at the delightful Sugar Palm Restaurant.

Thursday, March 1: Siem Reap. B,L,D

Begin this morning at the most famous of all Angkor monuments - Angkor Wat. You will be immersed in this inspired melding of sacred geometry, architecture, and adornment. This temple complex is unsurpassed in the artistic accomplishment of its myriad sculptures and the bas-relief friezes that line its galleries and narrate stories of great significance to Khmer.

Enjoy lunch at Srah Srang then continue on to Banteay Srei, an architectural jewel famous for its exquisite pink sandstone carvings.

Dinner and overnight at the **Shinta Mani Resort**.

Friday, March 2: Siem Reap. B,L,D

Enjoy time to shop in Siem Reap's colorful markets.

After lunch take an afternoon flight to Luang Prabang, an ancient city of Buddhist temples and pagodas which stand in a northern valley carved from the mountains by the Mekong River.

Upon arrival transfer to the **Three Nagas Luang Prabang**. Tonight, a traditional Baci ceremony and Laotian dance will be performed to welcome the group.

Saturday, March 3: Luang Prabang. B,L,D

Take a boat to the Pak Ou Buddhist Caves, set in towering cliffs, and housing a collection of 3,000 Buddhist statues. Return to Luang Prabang stopping at villages to learn more about local life.

Farewell dinner this evening.

Sunday, March 4: Depart. B

Depart Luang Prabang for your international flight home.



Pan Am Historical Foundation

The Pan Am Historical Foundation is an educational foundation that was established in 1992 with the mission of preserving and promoting the unique heritage of Pan American World Airways, Inc. Initiated by a small group of former Pan Am employees, the Foundation addressed the threat that a comprehensive account of the company's historic contributions to aviation could be lost through the dissolution of corporate records and artifacts in the aftermath of Pan Am's ceasing operations in 1991.

From less than a dozen members at its beginnings, the Foundation's general membership has grown to include many hundreds of individuals, all dedicated to the goal of saving and sharing the Pan Am story for current and future generations.

The foundation is excited to offer unique travel opportunities to its members. These programs have been carefully designed and revisit some of Pan Am's historical roots.

Please note that participants must be in good physical condition and be able to walk for long distances over uneven cobblestones and up and down stairs without problems.

Program Costs and Inclusions

Trip price: \$4,940 per person based on double occupancy with a minimum of 20 travelers

Single room supplement: \$1,670

Internal air fare: \$550

Trip price includes hotel accommodation in hotels as listed, meals as listed with mineral water, a full educational program with all sightseeing and transportation as listed, and services of a local guide.

Trip price does not include international air fare or internal flights, visa fees, drinks with meals, trip insurance, gratuities, and personal items.

To register for the program:

Enclose the application, along with a copy of your passport and a check for \$1000 (per traveler) made payable to

Distant Horizons and mail to:

Distant Horizons

350 Elm Avenue

Long Beach, CA 90802

For additional information, please contact
Seema Bakshi at 800-333-1240 or via email at
SeemaB@Distant-Horizons.com.



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Application

**WHEN YOU RETURN THIS APPLICATION,
PLEASE INCLUDE A LEGIBLE PHOTOCOPY OF THE PHOTO & SIGNATURE PAGES OF YOUR PASSPORT.**
(Please print)

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Trip Dates: February 18-March 4, 2018

Name Mr. / Ms. / Mrs. _____
Exactly as listed in your passport (First) (Middle) (Last)

Preferred first name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Describe your health _____

Do you have any allergies or physical limitations _____

Do you have any diet restrictions _____

Are you presently under a doctor's care or taking any medications? If yes, please elaborate. _____

Emergency contact person, phone number, and relationship: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS

Distant Horizons will do everything possible to satisfy requests to share a room for single tour members.
On occasions when it is not possible, the single supplement will apply.

☐ I want a single room (limited availability) ☐ I will share a room with:

BED TYPE (not guaranteed): ☐ One large bed ☐ Two twins

I have read the terms and conditions and agree to abide by them.

Signature

Date

**Mail completed and signed application, passport copy, and a check for \$1000 (per traveler)
made payable to Distant Horizons to: Distant Horizons, 350 Elm Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90802**

Terms and Conditions

Payments:

Registration requires a \$1000 per person deposit. Final payment is due by November 18, 2017 and must be paid by check.

Tour Price Includes:

Educational Program of lectures and discussions, accommodations in hotels as outlined in the itinerary based on double occupancy, all meals listed with mineral water, chilled bottled water kept on the bus, sightseeing and excursions as listed including all special events and lectures, transportation in a deluxe, air conditioned motor coach, services of a Distant Horizons tour manager, and local guides. Tour cost is based on rates of currency exchange at time of printing (May 2017) and is subject to change with or without previous notice. If there is a price increase prior to the day of departure in the basic costs, such increases may be passed on to the participant.

Tour Price Does Not Include:

International airfare, in-tour country airfare, passport fees, visa fees, luggage fees, meals not listed, gratuities, additional drinks at meals, airport transfers if not arriving or departing with the group, trip cancellation, lost baggage, and medical insurance, items of a purely personal nature and any items not listed.

Any increases in the in-tour airfare, security, or fuel surcharges imposed after the initial pricing of this program may be passed along to the travelers.

Deviations:

Distant Horizons can assist with any pre- or post-tour arrangements in Vietnam, Laos or neighboring countries.

Cancellations:

Distant Horizons and Pan Am Historical Foundation (PAHF) reserves the right to cancel any tour prior to departure for any reason, including insufficient number of participants, and to decline to accept or retain any person as a participant at any time. Should this happen, refunds will be made without obligation, although we cannot be held responsible for any additional costs already incurred by participants. The tour price is based on a number of people traveling together. If bookings fall below the minimum required, passengers will be advised of additional costs for that departure date. If a participant cancels, the following refunds will be available upon written notice of cancellation to Distant Horizons:

Notice more than 90 days prior to departure: a refund less a \$500 cancellation charge.

Notice between 90 and 60 days prior to departure: a refund less a \$1000 cancellation charge.

Notice between 59 days and 30 days prior to departure: a refund less 50% of trip price.

No refund shall be issued if cancellation is received less than 30 days prior to departure date.

No refunds shall be issued after the tour has commenced. No refunds shall be issued for occasional missed meals, sightseeing tours or any unused services.

Insurance:

We highly recommend the purchase of trip cancellation insurance. An application for travel insurance will be mailed upon the receipt of the application and deposit. Distant Horizons does not accept liability for any airline cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a non-refundable airline ticket or other expenses incurred by tour participants in preparing for the tour. Please contact Seema Bakshi at Distant Horizons at 800-333-1240 or via email at SeemaB@Distant-Horizons.com with any questions.

Responsibility:

Distant Horizons and PAHF act only in the capacity of agents for the hotels, airlines, bus companies, railroads, ship lines or owners or contractors providing accommodations, transportation or other services. As a result, all coupons, receipts or tickets are issued subject to the terms and conditions specified by the supplier. By acceptance of tour membership, the participant agrees that neither Distant Horizons nor PAHF nor any of their subsidiaries shall become liable or responsible for personal injury, damage to persons or property, loss, delay or irregularity caused by persons not controlled by it, such as (without limitation) airlines, bus and shipping companies, suppliers of accommodations or other services, or resulting from any acts of God, defects in vehicles, strikes, wars, whether declared or otherwise, civil disturbances, medical or customs regulations, acts of terrorism, epidemics or government restrictions. Distant Horizons and PAHF cannot be held responsible for unfavorable weather or closure of access routes due to bad weather conditions. Distant Horizons and PAHF cannot be held responsible if the tour lecturer or leader cancels, and passengers will be advised of a comparable replacement should time permit. Distant Horizons and PAHF are not responsible for any additional expenses or liability sustained or incurred by the participant as a result of the above mentioned causes.