

Heritage Speakers Series | Sarawak Heritage Society

Cosmology. Mythology. Spirituality. These are the unique superstructures that form the basis of rapidly diminishing beliefs of a Melanau healer. Our speakers will have a conversation about *the realm between* the Melanau spiritual worlds, its unique practice of rituals that are largely reflected in a variety of skilfully carved wooden images of spirits by shamans used as a vessel for spirits that are harming and causing diseases to the people. Diana Rose will be sharing with us her experience championing for the preservation of Melanau intangible cultural heritage and Dr. Rolf Schlömer will share with us his journey and findings in tracing the materials and records about this endangered Melanau cultural healing practice and in particular, his views on the Melanau good luck charms, the Suk.



Diana Rose

Diana Rose, a journalist, entrepreneur, and a cultural activist as she is more known for, has been involved in championing the promotion and preservation of Melanau cultural heritage for the past 22 years. Some of the most notable projects includes the Lamin Dana Cultural Lodge, making an insular Pesta Kaul to an open festival and a pioneer in creating Batik Linut.



Rolf Schlömer

Dr. Rolf Schlömer lived in Sarawak in the 1970s serving the Medical Department Sarawak in Miri, Bintulu & Kuching. Over the decades he has maintained close ties, visiting Sarawak frequently. His

special interest in culture has encouraged him to deeply study about the Melanau culture.

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The Realm Between

21st August, 2022 at 3.00pm

Borneo Cultures Museum, Level 2
Arts & Craft Room

**A Conversation About
The Healing Ritual and Unique Culture of the Melanau**