

### 30th Anniversary Evening Program

Cocktails

Welcome

Recognition of Angkor Dance Troupe by Congresswoman Niki Tsongas, Senator Eileen Donoghue, Mayor Edward Kennedy

> Past, Present, Future Dinner

> > Performance

Special recognition by Angkor Dance Troupe

Lifetime Achievement Award

Raffle announcement



### Thank You

On behalf of our Board of Directors, our planning committee, and staff of Angkor Dance Troupe, we would like to thank you for joining us as we commemorate "30 Years of Connecting Communities through the Preservation, Education and Innovation of Cambodian Performing Arts."

Tonight's anniversary is a true celebration of our past, present, and future. This celebration is an opportunity to honor those who helped establish Angkor Dance Troupe in 1986; a chance to acknowledge those who believed in our work, leading to over 4,500 youth served and 20,000 reached across the Northeast; and a time to recognize those who continue helping us grow.

We would like to recognize each of you for making this a memorable event for years to come and extend a special thank you to all our sponsors for this evening. Your contributions are invaluable to this organization and will be used to ensure the future growth of Angkor Dance Troupe.

Angkor Dance Troupe could not deliver on our mission without the support of our donors, community partners, families, friends, staff and board. We look forward to your continued partnership in helping us connect Communities through the Preservation, Education and Innovation of Cambodian Performing Arts.

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Michael Conway President- Board of Director **Executive Director** 



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### **Honoring Our Past**

#### History

The Angkor Dance Troupe was formed in 1986 by a group of Cambodian refugees of the Khmer Rouge holocaust. Lowell's Cambodian American community, estimated at more than 35,000 people, is the second largest in the country. When we resettled here, we brought a passion to carry on our cherished cultural traditions to practice and perform, to teach our children, and to see our art preserved for future generations of all cultures.

We take our name from the great Angkor civilization, between 802 and 1432 AD when Cambodia was a dominant empire in Southeast Asia. Dance and music have always been prominent in Khmer society, but



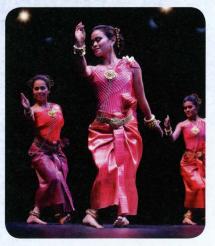
these ancient traditions were nearly eliminated when the Khmer Rouge controlled Cambodia in the 1970s. Artists were among those deliberately targeted for execution. More than 90% of the country's tradition bearers perished. Today, as Cambodians around the world struggle to emerge from decades of war and poverty, our people look to the rebirth and re-creation of dance as testimony to the endurance of our culture.

### Celebrating Our Present

#### Today

What began as an organization that focused on the preservation of Cambodian arts and culture quickly became a youth-serving program. We recognized that, in order to fulfill our mission, we needed to groom the next generation of leaders. Using performing arts as the tool, we developed and guided over 4,500 youth over the years. These young people furthered their education and became teachers, nurses, and civic leaders within the community. They pointed to ADT as an integral part of their leadership journey.

Since our 25th anniversary we have built a passionate Advisory Board, strengthened our current Board of Directors, created a comprehensive strategic fundraising plan, and we continue to establish strong partnerships. The number of youth served has increased each year, with our residency reaching an additional 100 youth through a summer program serving new refugee groups.



In addition to our expansion in youth programming, our accomplishments include three "big" annual performances, two residencies, performance market expansion outside of Greater Lowell, co-hosting a national Southeast Asian American Conference with UMass Lowell (summer 2017), Senior Dancer Certification, (Bi)Annual Master Teacher Residencies, and Senior Dancer professional development.

### **Embracing Our Future**

#### **Future**

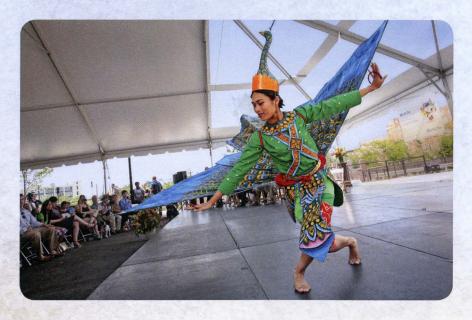
The future of Angkor Dance Troupe is to become the epicenter for innovative Cambodian performing arts. To achieve this vision, our goal is to have Lowell become home to the following:

Lowell Angkor Arts Academy

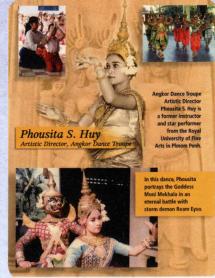
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