

AGHS Sydney Branch: garden history illustrated TALK



War Grave Gardens in Perpetuity

Date: Thursday 30th July, 6pm for 7pm – 8.30pm

Venue: Annie Wyatt Room, National Trust Centre, Observatory Hill, Sydney

Presentation by **Andrew Prowse** MAIH, AILA, ASLA and **Kim Morris** FAIH



The War Cemeteries of PNG, Queensland and the NT are the final resting places of Commonwealth soldiers from India, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Britain and South Africa and are some of the 1.7 million burials honoured and managed by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC). Both Andrew (landscape architect, National Vice President of the AIH) and Kim (senior horticulturalist, lecturer at CUGE, Singapore, past National President of AIH) are currently working on projects with the Office of Australian War Graves (CWGC). As directors of **Garden City Design Co.** they have recently completed the design of the Centenary of ANZAC Bita Paka Rabaul WW1 Memorial; the complete renovation of the Brisbane and Rockhampton War Cemeteries; and ongoing renovation of the Bomana PNG War Cemetery. Their main challenge has been to apply the horticultural standard developed by Gertrude Jekyll, the well-known garden colourist and designer and her architect friend Sir Edwin Lutyens. In their early war graves work, Jekyll decreed that each plot or grave should be a reminder of the soldier's home or village with a set of principal, accent and lesser plants. These form the base of the standard in use today, for the resting place gardens of soldiers, tended in perpetuity,

Cost: AGHS Members - \$20, Guests -\$30, includes light refreshments.

Bookings essential (for catering) – contact Email Jeanne Villani: Jeanne@Villani.com

PLEASE NOTE: Payment confirms booking and must be made prior to the event

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