

## **Biographical Notes**

### **Ian Carvel Glover (24 April 1934 – 23 April 2018) – Archaeologist/academic**

Ian Glover, pioneer of Southeast Asian archaeology, was born 24 April 1934 in Grange-over-Sands, Lancashire, England.<sup>1</sup>

In 1959, Glover left England to travel to Europe and Asia before arriving in Australia. In Australia, Glover worked as a film editor but decided he would attend university at the same time. In 1962, he began his education at the University of Sydney, choosing to take archaeology and anthropology because the classes were in the afternoon and thus allowing him to continue work.<sup>2</sup>

As a student, Glover visited archaeological sites and museums in South and Southeast Asia, Europe, and participated in pioneering excavations of prehistoric sites in Australia. He graduated with a First Class Honours degree in 1965 and received the Frank Bell Memorial Prize of the Anthropological Society of New South Wales.<sup>3</sup>

Subsequently, Glover did his PhD in the Department of Pre-history at the Australian National University. His conducted his fieldwork in East Timor (then Portuguese Timor) studying the origins of the early occupation of Australia. Glover received his PhD in 1972.<sup>4</sup>

In 1970, even before he completed his PhD, Glover found employment at the Institute of Archaeology at the University of London as a lecturer. There, he taught the pre-history of South and Southeast Asia until his retirement. Between 1988 and 1991, he was Head of Department of Prehistoric Archaeology. One of Glover's most significant contributions to Southeast Asian archaeology was the large number of students he taught who have later gone on to work in the field. In 1996, Glover retired and became Emeritus Reader in Southeast Asian Archaeology.<sup>5</sup>

As an archaeologist, Glover was involved in major field projects in Southeast Asia. Between 1963 and 1965, he worked on the Bui Ceri Uato, Lie Siri and Uai Bobo 1 and 2, and other sites in East Timor as part of his PhD fieldwork. In the late 1960s to mid 1970s, Glover excavated the Ulu Leang 1 and 2, and Leang Burung 2 sites in South Sulawesi. In the 1980s, Glover co-directed with Pisit Charoenwongsa, an excavation of the Ban Don Ta Phet cemetery in west-central Thailand. In the 1990s, Glover was involved in excavating the Cham period sites of Tra Kieu and Go Cam in central Vietnam.<sup>6</sup>

In addition to research and fieldwork, Glover passionate about spreading knowledge of archaeology in Southeast Asia. He wrote and edited several books as well as over 120 articles on various aspects of South and Southeast Asian archaeology and early history. His major publications include *Southeast Asian Archaeology* and *Southeast Asia – from Pre-history to History*.<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Bellina, Berenice et al (Eds.), *50 years of archaeology in Southeast Asia: Essays in honour of Ian Glover*, Bangkok: River Books (2010), p. 9; Ian Glover, Brief biodata (November 2013), retrieved from <https://ucl.academia.edu/IanGlover/CurriculumVitae>

<sup>2</sup> Bennett, Anna, "Ian Carvel Glover (1934-2018)", *Journal of the Siam Society*, Vol 107, Pt.1 (2019), p. 178.

<sup>3</sup> Bellina, *50 years of archaeology in Southeast Asia*, p. 9.

<sup>4</sup> Bellina, *50 years of archaeology in Southeast Asia*, p. 9; Ian Glover, *Brief biodata* (November 2013), retrieved from <https://ucl.academia.edu/IanGlover/CurriculumVitae>

<sup>5</sup> Bellina, *50 years of archaeology in Southeast Asia*, p. 9; "Ian Glover", *Institute of Archaeology website* (1 May 2018), retrieved from <https://www.ucl.ac.uk/archaeology/news/2018/may/ian-glover>; Bennett, "Ian Carvel Glover (1934-2018)", p. 178.

<sup>6</sup> Bellina, *50 years of archaeology in Southeast Asia*, pp. 9-10; Ian Glover, *Brief biodata* (November 2013), retrieved from <https://ucl.academia.edu/IanGlover/CurriculumVitae>

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Glover also played a significant role in establishing organisations to promote research and exchange of information on Southeast Asian archaeology. He was a founding member of the Indonesia Circle at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) and in 1986, co-founded the European Association of Southeast Asian Archaeologists (EurASEAA) with Peter Bellwood. Glover also served on the editorial board of *World Archaeology*, and was editor of the *Journal of the Indonesia Circle* and the *Journal of the Siam Society*.<sup>8</sup>

Glover died on 23 April 2018 while travelling in Catania, Sicily. He is survived by his wife, Emily and sons, Julian and Adrian.<sup>9</sup>

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<sup>8</sup> Bennett, "Ian Carvel Glover (1934-2018)", p. 178.

<sup>9</sup> Bennett, "Ian Carvel Glover (1934-2018)", pp. 178-179.