

'BOAT PEOPLE'

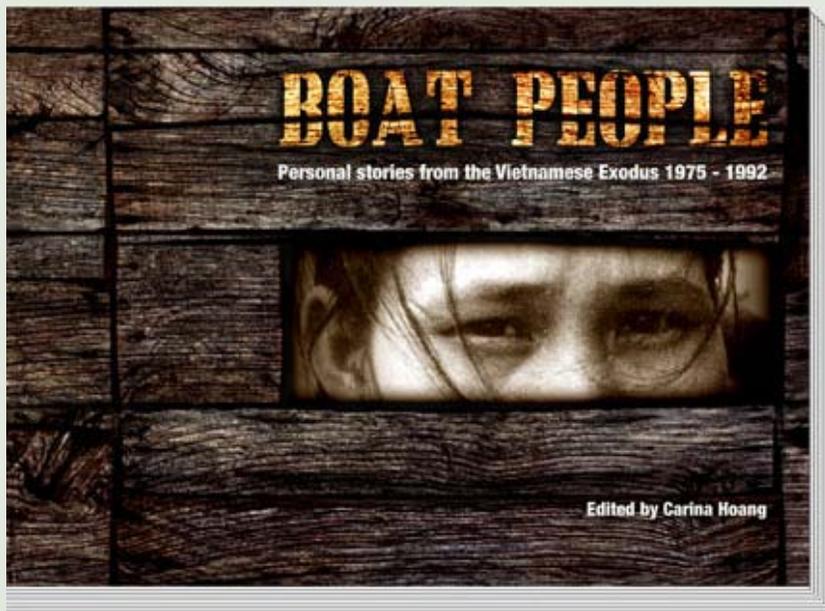
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New book proposal; May 2010!

'Boat People', the book, is an in-depth look at the most extraordinary mass movement of people in modern history; the exodus from Vietnam from 1975 through to 1992. Former boat person, Carina Hoang, together with Michelle Lam, has compiled an array of first-person stories of survival, telling often harrowing tales of desperate ocean journeys by the more than one million people who escaped to Indonesia, Malaysia, Hong Kong, Australia and other locations. Pirates, starvation, storm ravaged seas, plus the often poor condition or unsuitability of their frequently overcrowded boats took a huge toll of the refugees, and sadly, nearly one third of all Boat People never survived the journey.

Carina has sourced many original photographs from previously unvisited personal archives, diaries and collections. The book will be further illustrated by graphic, hand drawn illustrations showing actual events that would have been impossible to capture with a camera.



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"Although many stories about boat people have been documented, 'Boat People' will offer possibly the broadest account of the historic exodus, to enhance general understanding of what we, the boat people went through. It will be especially beneficial for our children; they need to know about this significant part of their heritage, and to appreciate the sacrifices made by their forebears".

Carina Hoang 2010.



'Boat People' would be the best gift you could ever give yourself and to each of your children.

As of May 2010, the book is in the production stage with [Eye in the Sky Productions](#), with an anticipated release for December 2010.

However, Carina Hoang cannot complete this vital project alone. You could take part and make it happen, simply by sending an [email](mailto:carinahoang@gmail.com) (carinahoang@gmail.com) to Carina to reserve your copy or copies.

This is our chance to be involved in the recording of an amazing chapter of human history through this important publishing project.

SOME THOUGHTS ON THE ACTUAL TERMINOLOGY

Diaspora - the dispersion of any people from their original homeland. From; 'dispersion'. The journey or scattering of the boats on the ocean in itself was a diaspora. The meaning of this word also refers to where these original people are now, dispersed or scattered.

Exodus: a journey by a large group to escape from a hostile environment. From: 'going out'

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