How did the Mekong River ecology shape the everyday life of its premodern communities? In this talk, Miriam Stark reviews archaeological research from Cambodia to examine how Khmers managed the art of living with the Mekong River, some unexpected consequences of these practices, and how communities and the state managed these problems. She discusses how “seeing like a state” produced disastrous consequences that in some respects still resonate with life in the contemporary Lower Mekong basin.

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