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Designing the new *Sleuk Rith Institute*,
the permanent successor to the
Documentation Center of Cambodia
in Phnom Penh

"Youk Chhang's vision is inspirational. His brief for the Sleuk Rith Institute calls for beauty and an optimism for the future to heal and reconnect a country, with the Documentation Centre of Cambodia being key to that process. Working with Youk Chhang and the Institute, we have brought together an excellent team of Cambodian and international consultants that share this vision to carefully plan the Sleuk Rith Institute. Cambodia's rich cultural heritage includes some of the world's most exceptional temples that reflect the extraordinary architecture and technologies of their period. We look forward to working with Youk Chhang and his team to realize his vision in a contemporary building that remembers the past, but also reflects the unwavering belief and optimism for the future using education, understanding and inspiration to positively engage visitors."

—Zaha Hadid



Honoring and commemorating the sacrifice of the
victims of the Khmer Rouge Genocide (1975-1979).

Youk Chhang, Photo by Angel Garcia

