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## Ecological Anthropology

### Asia



#### **THE WATER OF WORDS: a cultural ecology of a small island in Eastern Indonesia**

30 minutes, 1983. Filmmakers and Anthropologists: J. Fox, Timothy Asch and Patsy Asch

This film examines the ecology and poetry of everyday life. Two Rotinese narrate this film, each offering his perspective on the importance of the Lontar (Borassus) palm: a clan leader describes the many practical uses of the palm; another describes its origin and mythic significance. The film complements Fox's book *The Harvest of the Palm* as well as his earlier film on the language.

### Oceania



#### **SINCE THE COMPANY CAME**

52 minutes, 2001. Director: Russell Hawkins

Set in the South Pacific, *Since the company came* is the story of a community coming to terms with social, cultural and ecological disintegration. When village leaders invite a Malaysian company to log their tribal land, the Haporai people of Rendova Island in the Solomon Islands find themselves at a difficult crossroads.

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