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## Southeast Asian Archaeology, Culture and Fine Arts News

July 25-31, 2020

| Country   | Headline  |
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| Cambodia  | <b>Restoration of historical sites in Angkor, Cambodia assisted by China amid pandemic</b><br><br>The restoration of the royal palaces in the ruins of Angkor under support from the Chinese Academy of Cultural Heritage has been suspended. The restoration project will last for 11 years starting from 2019.<br><br>Date: July 30, 2020<br>Source: Global Times<br>Author: Ji Yuqiao<br>Link: <a href="https://www.globaltimes.cn/content/1196234.shtml">https://www.globaltimes.cn/content/1196234.shtml</a>                         |
|           | <b>Cambodia artist finds Hollywood success</b><br><br>Cambodian makeup artist, Dou Poth Molita (Apple), uses paint, airbrushes and a variety of other tools of the trade to transform movie actors into life-like imaginary creatures.<br><br>Date: July 26, 2020<br>Source: Phnom Penh Post<br>Author: Roth Sochieata<br>Link: <a href="https://www.phnompenhpost.com/lifestyle-arts-culture/cambodian-artist-finds-hollywood-success">https://www.phnompenhpost.com/lifestyle-arts-culture/cambodian-artist-finds-hollywood-success</a> |
| Indonesia | <b>Mary Justice Designs' furniture highlights Indonesian nature, history</b><br><br>Date: July 26, 2020<br>Source: The Jakarta Post   |

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|             | <p>Author: Jesse Vad<br/> Link:<br/> <a href="https://www.thejakartapost.com/life/2020/07/26/mary-justice-designs-furniture-highlights-indonesian-nature-history.html">https://www.thejakartapost.com/life/2020/07/26/mary-justice-designs-furniture-highlights-indonesian-nature-history.html</a></p>  |
| Laos        | <p><b>The Crocodile Stone: Is This a Grisly Artifact of Human Sacrifice?</b><br/> The crocodile stone is a peculiar rock located in the Wat Phu temple, in Laos. It has been speculated that in ancient times, the crocodile stone was used as an altar for human sacrifices.</p> <p>Date: July 30, 2020<br/> Source: Ancient Origins<br/> Author:<br/> Link:<br/> <a href="https://www.ancient-origins.net/ancient-places-asia/crocodile-stone-laos-0014046">https://www.ancient-origins.net/ancient-places-asia/crocodile-stone-laos-0014046</a></p>  |
| Malaysia    | <p><b>The Islamic Arts Museum: Possibly Malaysia's best</b></p> <p>The Islamic Arts Museum was opened in 1998 in the heart of Kuala Lumpur. In comparison to other museums, it is considered as the best one with modern building architecture style and collection artefacts from all over the Islamic world.</p> <p>Date: July 31, 2020<br/> Source: Free Malaysia Today<br/> Author: Noel Wong<br/> Link:<br/> <a href="https://www.freemalaysiatoday.com/category/leisure/2020/07/31/the-islamic-arts-museum-possibly-malaysias-best/">https://www.freemalaysiatoday.com/category/leisure/2020/07/31/the-islamic-arts-museum-possibly-malaysias-best/</a></p> <hr/> <p><b>For the first time ever, a Malaysian has won the Eisner Award</b></p> <p>Erica Eng, a Malaysian Bachelor student in Fine Arts at San Francisco's Academy of Art University, has won the webcomic division for the 2020 Eiseners with her webcomic Fried Rice.</p> <p>Date: July 27, 2020<br/> Source: Mashable SE Asia<br/> Author: Mae Yen Yap<br/> Link:<br/> <a href="https://sea.mashable.com/culture/11688/erica-eng-becomes-the-first-malaysian-to-win-the-eisner-award-with-fried-rice">https://sea.mashable.com/culture/11688/erica-eng-becomes-the-first-malaysian-to-win-the-eisner-award-with-fried-rice</a></p> |
| Philippines | <p><b>Look: Google pays tribute to Filipino visual artist Pacita Abad in Google Doodle</b></p>  |

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|           | <p>The Women of Color was drawn by Pacita Abad was awarded with her abstract art style and is featured on the Google homepage on Friday, July 31, 2020.</p> <p>Date: July 31, 2020<br/> Source: Rappler.Com<br/> Author:<br/> Link:<a href="https://rappler.com/life-and-style/arts-culture/google-doodle-tribute-filipino-visual-artist-pacita-abad">https://rappler.com/life-and-style/arts-culture/google-doodle-tribute-filipino-visual-artist-pacita-abad</a></p>   |
| Singapore | <p><b>Why you need to know about investing in art</b></p> <p>The pandemic may have tightened our purse strings, but as any decent financial adviser would tell you, it's not enough to spend less; we have to spend wisely. This is where art investing comes in.</p> <p>Date: July 28, 2020<br/> Source: Prestige Online<br/> Author: Pameyla Cambe<br/> Link:<br/> <a href="https://www.prestigeonline.com/sg/pursuits/art-culture/art-investing-expert-tips/">https://www.prestigeonline.com/sg/pursuits/art-culture/art-investing-expert-tips/</a></p>   |
| Thailand  | <p><b>Stories that transcend time</b></p> <p>The “Glass Plate Negatives: Stories That Transcend Time” exhibition showcases a rare collection of 102 reprinted photographs of Thai kings, royal court members, palaces, historical sites and trading hubs. The exhibition is held at the Bangkok Art and Culture Center until September 20, 2020.</p> <p>Date: July 28, 2020<br/> Source: Bangkok Post<br/> Author: Pattarawadee Saengmanee<br/> Link:<br/> <a href="https://www.bangkokpost.com/life/arts-and-entertainment/1958679/stories-that-transcend-time">https://www.bangkokpost.com/life/arts-and-entertainment/1958679/stories-that-transcend-time</a></p> |