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Country	Headline
Cambodia	<p>No gatherings for National Culture Day celebration tomorrow</p> <p>The 23rd National Culture Day, which falls annually on March 3, will not organize any physical activities as usual due to the pandemic.</p> <p>Date: March 2, 2021 Source: Khmer Times Author: Sen David Link: https://www.khmertimeskh.com/50819454/no-gatherings-for-national-culture-day-celebration-tomorrow/</p>
	<p>Mini-masks mark major culture pride</p> <p>The modern Lakhon Khol mini-masks, which are made by 18 members of the Robam Khmer, become popular decorative objects.</p> <p>Date: March 1, 2021 Source: Phnom Penh Post Author: Roth Sochieata Link: https://www.phnompenhpost.com/lifestyle/mini-masks-mark-major-cultural-pride</p>
	<p>Angkor Wat not enough? Theme park planned near ancient Cambodia site</p>

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	<p>The 75-hectare amusement park is planned to be built near an ancient Cambodian site, Angkor Wat.</p> <p>Date: February 27, 2021 Source: The Star Author: Link: https://www.thestar.com.my/aseanplus/aseanplus-news/2021/02/27/angkor-wat-not-enough-theme-park-planned-near-ancient-cambodian-site</p>
Indonesia	<p>3 Ministers Meet to Develop Cultural Heritage based Tourism</p> <p>Three ministers have gathered to talk about developing a tourism industry based on preservation of cultural heritage which is prepared to help boost Indonesia's tourism that had been hit hard by the Covid 19 pandemic.</p> <p>Date: March 4, 2021 Source: Author: Petir Garda Bhwana (ed.) Link: https://en.tempo.co/read/1438722/3-ministers-meet-to-develop-cultural-heritage-based-tourism</p> <p>A window to Indonesian heritage</p> <p>Students had an opportunity to glimpse into Indonesian culture through an exhibition entitled "Indonesia: Rich Cultural Heritage" at Religious Teacher's University College of Seri Begawan.</p> <p>Date: March 3, 2021 Source: Borneo Bulletin Author: Link: https://borneobulletin.com.bn/a-window-to-indonesian-heritage/</p>
Laos	<p>UNESCO Requests New Impact Assessment for Luang Prabang Dam</p> <p>UNESCO has requested a new assessment for a large-scale Lao Mekong River dam of 1, 460 megawatt located near a World Heritage Site, fearing that the dam will have potential impact on the World Heritage Site, Luang Prabang.</p> <p>Date: March 1, 2021 Source: RFA Author: Link: https://www.rfa.org/english/news/laos/dam-03012021184206.html</p>

Malaysia	<p>Cover story: Lim Wei-Ling, the doyenne of Malaysia’s contemporary art scene</p> <p>Lim Wei-Ling, the founder and director of Wei-Ling Galleries, shares her career journey in art in the past 20 years.</p> <p>Date: March 3, 2021 Source: Prestige Online Author: Naseem Randhawa Link: https://www.prestigeonline.com/my/people-events/people/cover-story-lim-wei-ling-malaysia-contemporary-art/</p>
Philippines	<p>Documentaries on Philippine intangible cultural heritage now on view</p> <p>The International Information and Networking Centre for Intangible Cultural Heritage in the Asia-Pacific Region, under the auspices of UNESCO (ICHCAP), recently launched 10 video documentaries on different Philippine intangible cultural heritage elements.</p> <p>Date: March 3, 2021 Source: BusinessWorld Author: Link: https://www.bworldonline.com/arts-culture-03-03-21/</p>
Singapore	<p>Bahai’i Feast recognized as part of Singapore’s cultural heritage</p> <p>Singapore’s National Heritage Board has added the Baha’i Nineteen Day Feast to its intangible cultural heritage list following a national mandate to document and preserve the diverse cultural expressions of the island nation.</p> <p>Date: March 4, 2021 Source: Baha’i World News Service Author: Link: https://news.bahai.org/story/1494/</p> <hr/> <p>Singapore to get first university of the arts, formed by alliance between Nafa and Lasalle</p> <p>A new university of the arts will be formed by an “alliance” between the Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts and Lasalle College of the Arts, Education.</p> <p>Date: March 3, 2021 Source: The Straits Times Author: Ng Wei Kai</p>

	<p>Link: https://www.straitstimes.com/singapore/parenting-education/singapore-to-get-first-university-of-the-arts-formed-by-alliance</p> <p>With ‘profound sadness’, The Substation announces decision to close permanently</p> <p>The Substation, which was cemented more than three decades as a fixture in Singapore’s indie arts scene, was announced permanent closure on March 2, 2021.</p> <p>Date: March 2, 2021 Source: Today Online Author: Navene Elangovan Link: https://www.todayonline.com/singapore/profound-sadness-substation-announces-decision-close-permanently?fbclid=IwAR3Qk9oXoNhFSdeERITfL1i5SVhqMgFgzPOy0DuGkUP2Sfl773QW9P-f96o</p> <p>DU, Singapore Fine Arts Society sign MoU on collaboration in Indian music</p> <p>The Delhi University’s Faculty of Music and Fine Arts and the Singapore Fine Arts Society have signed a Memorandum of Understanding for “cultural, academic and research collaboration agreement in Indian music.”</p> <p>Date: February 28, 2021 Source: Hindustan Times Author: Link: https://www.hindustantimes.com/lifestyle/art-culture/du-singapore-fine-arts-society-sign-mou-on-collaboration-in-indian-music-101614497403969.html</p> <p>Thousands of historical records from Hokkien community to be made publicly available</p> <p>The historical records of Singapore’s early Hokkien pioneers such as Tan Tock Seng and Tan Lark Sye and the donation of more than 4,300 original documents from the Singapore Hokkien Huay Kuan will soon be made accessible to the public.</p> <p>Date: February 28, 2021 Source: The Star Author: Yuen Sin Link: https://www.straitstimes.com/singapore/thousands-of-historical-records-from-hokkien-community-to-be-made-publicly-available</p>
Thailand	A misdirected war

	<p>Raj Bunnag, Thai-American artist, hopes his first printmaking exhibition in the country changes local perspectives about drug addiction.</p> <p>Date: March 3, 2021 Source: Bangkok Post Author: Suwitcha Chaiyong Link: https://www.bangkokpost.com/life/social-and-lifestyle/2077375/a-misdirected-war</p>
	<p>Patron of Art and Culture</p> <p>With her many talents in art, culture and sports, Her Royal Highness Princess Sirivannavari nariratana Rajakanya graces the Bangkok Post's Women of the Year list as one of Thailand's most recognisable female leaders.</p> <p>Date: March 1, 2021 Source: Bangkok Post Author: Arusa Pisuthipan Link: https://www.bangkokpost.com/life/social-and-lifestyle/2076191/patron-of-art-and-culture</p>
	<p>Art extravaganza to kick off tomorrow</p> <p>Almost 9,000 illustration works by illustrators and artists from Thailand and overseas will be showcased digitally during the "Bangkok Illustration Fair 2021" from March 2-7, 2021.</p> <p>Date: March 1, 2021 Source: Bangkok Post Author: Link: https://www.bangkokpost.com/life/social-and-lifestyle/2076183/art-extravaganza-to-kick-off-tomorrow</p>
	<p>'Thailand's Khao Sok National Park is 50th Asean heritage Park</p> <p>Khao Sok National Park, the world's oldest tropical evergreen forest, was declared as the 50th Asean Heritage Park at the 31st Meeting on the Asean Senior Officials on Environment and the 22nd Meeting of the Governing Board of the Asean Centre for Biodiversity on November 24 and 25, 2020 in Vietnam.</p> <p>Date: February 28, 2021 Source; Business Mirror Author: Link: https://businessmirror.com.ph/2021/02/28/thailands-khao-sok-national-park-is-50th-asean-heritage-park/</p>

Vietnam	<p>Paintings on sacred fig leaves now popular gifts</p> <p>Colourful paintings depicting Buddhism and folk paintings on small sacred fig leaves are being bought as decorations.</p> <p>Date: March 4, 2021 Source: Vietnam Plus Author: Link: https://en.vietnamplus.vn/paintings-on-sacred-fig-leaves-now-popular-gifts/197072.vnp</p> <hr/> <p>Localities host assorted cultural activities throughout March</p> <p>In accordance with regulations on Covid-19 prevention and control, a wide range of cultural activities are being held through March in localities across the country.</p> <p>Date: March 1, 2021 Source: Nhan Dan Online Author: Link: https://en.nhandan.org.vn/culture/item/9630502-localities-host-assorted-cultural-activities-throughout-march.html</p> <hr/> <p>Historic Cu Chi Tunnels site seeks UNESCO World Heritage Site recognition</p> <p>Recently, the city's authorities sent a proposal to the Ministry of National Defense to seek UNESCO's recognition for the Cu Chi Tunnels as a World Heritage Site.</p> <p>Date: March 1, 2021 Source: Saigon Online Author: Link: https://sggpnews.org.vn/national/historic-cu-chi-tunnels-site-seeks-unesco-world-heritage-site-recognition-90909.html</p> <hr/> <p>The “connection” between traditional and modern music</p> <p>In recent years, Vietnamese music lovers have witnessed the birth of many works combining traditional and modern music.</p> <p>Date: February 28, 2021 Source: Nhan Dan Online Author: Link: https://en.nhandan.org.vn/culture/item/9628602-the-%E2%80%9Cconnection-between-traditional-and-modern-music.html</p>
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