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Country	Headline
Cambodia	Almost 9K tourists see equinox sunrise at Angkor Wat Almost 9K of tourists flocked to see the equinox sunrise over the center tower of Angkor Wat Temple. Date: March 23, 2023 Source: ANN Asian News Network Author: Link: https://asianews.network/almost-9k-tourists-see-equinox-sunrise-at-angkor-wat/
	Scholar calls for revision of incorrect Cambodian history A scholar calls for a revision of incorrect Cambodian history, so that the local chronicle could be correct for the future generation. Date: March 22, 2023 Source: Khmer Times Author: Taing Rinith Link: https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501259574/scholar-calls-for-revision-of-incorrect-cambodian-history/

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Met Museum Kicked Me Out for Praying to My Ancestral Gods

Sophiline Cheam Shapiro, a Cambodian classical dancer, choreographer and artistic director, was kicked out while performing a ritual dance in front of looted antiquities at the Met Museum in New York.

Date: March 22, 2023

Source: HYPERALLERGIC

Author:

Link:

<https://hyperallergic.com/809442/met-museum-kicked-me-out-for-praying-to-my-ancestral-gods/>

Khmer ballet documentary debuts April 1

A new dance documentary film, The Perfect Motion or Tep Hatha, will premiere to the public in early April.

Date: March 22, 2023

Source: The Phnom Penh Post

Author: Hong Reaksmeay

Link:

<https://www.phnompenhpost.com/lifestyle-arts-culture/khmer-ballet-documentary-debuts-april-1>

China joins ranks of nations conserving Preah Vihear Temple

China has decided to support the restoration and preservation of Preah Vihear Temple.

Date: March 22, 2023

Source: Khmer Times

Author:

Link:

<https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501259577/china-joins-ranks-of-nations-conserving-preah-vihear-temple/>

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	<p>Cambodia Celebrates Return Of ‘PRICELESS’ Stolen Artifacts</p> <p>Cambodia celebrated the return of looted centuries-old cultural artifacts and keeps appealing for further efforts to retrieve such stolen treasures from all around the world.</p> <p>Date: March 19, 2023 Source: Khaosod English Author: Link: https://www.khaosodenglish.com/news/2023/03/18/cambodia-celebrates-return-of-priceless-stolen-artifacts/</p>
<p>Malaysia</p>	<p>Penang to seek Dutch authorities’ aid in carbon dating Guar Kepah skeletons in Netherlands</p> <p>The Penang State Government will request technical assistance from Dutch authorities to carbon-date ancient artifacts from the state and skeletons that are being kept in the Netherlands.</p> <p>Date: March 23, 2023 Source: Malaymail Author: Onpalyn Mok Link: https://www.malaymail.com/news/malaysia/2023/03/23/penang-to-see-dutch-authorities-aid-in-carbon-dating-guar-kepa-h-skeletons-in-netherlands/61044</p>
	<p>Group calls for setting-up of heritage steering committee</p> <p>Badan Warisan Malaysia has called for the Penang Island City Council (MBPP) to form a heritage steering committee with executive powers to address issues related to heritage buildings.</p> <p>Date: March 20, 2023 Source: Free Malay Mail</p>

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	<p>Author: Link:https://www.freemalaysiatoday.com/category/nation/2023/03/20/group-calls-for-setting-up-of-heritage-steering-committee/</p>
	<p>Works in GeorgeTown heritage zone alarming – Badan Warisan M’sia</p> <p>Badan Warisan Malaysia is being alarmed over the numerous illegal works on heritage buildings within George Town heritage zone and the buffer zone nearby.</p> <p>Date: March 20, 2023 Source: The Vibe.Com Author: Link: https://www.thevibes.com/articles/opinion/88410/works-in-george-town-heritage-zone-alarming-badan-warisan-msia</p>
	<p>Sarawak Taps Rich of Historical and Archaeological Heritage of Santubong</p> <p>Santubong is a largest archaeology site in Malaysia that is rich in historical and heritage value.</p> <p>Date: March 19, 2023 Source: RAKAN Sarawak Author: Link: https://www.rakansarawak.com/v3/2023/03/19/sarawak-taps-rich-historical-and-archaeological-heritage-of-santubong/</p>
<p>Myanmar</p>	<p>Myanmar to open archeological sites to visitors during water festival</p> <p>The Archaeology and National Museum Department of Myanmar announces to open Myanmar's well-known archaeological sites to visitors during the national water festival in April.</p>

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	<p>Date: March 23, 2023 Source: China.org.cn Author: Link: http://www.china.org.cn/world/Off the Wire/2023-03/23/content 85185525.htm</p>
Philippines	<p>Legarda's cultural mapping bill passed on third reading</p> <p>The Cultural Mapping Bill that aims to enhance the preservation of the Philippines' cultural assets through increased participation and involvement of local government units and communities was passed the third reading.</p> <p>Date: March 20, 2023 Source: Newswires Author: Link: https://www.einnews.com/pr_news/623208965/legarda-s-cultural-mapping-bill-passed-on-third-reading</p>
Thailand	<p>Culture Ministry to Host MOC MU FES 2023 in Bangkok</p> <p>The Ministry of Culture of Thailand will organize an annual music festival "MOC MU FES 2023: Summer Hit Songs" to honor the musical talent of Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn and her contributions to the Thai music industry.</p> <p>Date: March 23, 2023 Source: ASEAN Now Author: Krajanwit Johjit Link: https://aseannow.com/topic/1290075-culture-ministry-to-host-moc-mu-fes-2023-in-bangkok/</p>

<p>Vietnam</p>	<p>Alexandre Yersin's house in Vietnam becomes official historical site</p> <p>The house of Alexandre Yersin, who discovered the bacterium that causes bubonic plague, has been designated a national historic site.</p> <p>Date: March 22, 2023 Source: VN Express Author: Link: https://e.vnexpress.net/news/news/alexandre-yersin-s-house-recognized-as-national-historical-site-4584398.html</p>
	<p>Centuries-long lake in Hanoi gets facelift</p> <p>Ho Van or Ho Giam (Lake of Literature), also known as Minh Duong Lake, has recently undergone an important facelift that would be an attractive heritage site in the thousand-year capital city of Hanoi.</p> <p>Date: March 20, 2023 Source: Vietnam Net Author: Link: https://vietnamnet.vn/en/centuries-long-lake-in-hanoi-gets-facelift-2122411.html</p>
	<p>Pages of the Past: Ancient Leaf Books Displayed In Hanoi</p> <p>Vietnam Museum of Ethnology in Hanoi is a home to a unique collection of ancient palm leaf manuscripts from Laos, Myanmar and Indonesia.</p> <p>Date: March 18, 2023 Source: Vietnam Times Author: Link: https://vietnamtimes.org.vn/pages-of-the-past-ancient-leaf-books-displayed-in-hanoi-57120.html</p>

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