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## Southeast Asian Archeology, Culture and Fine Arts News

September 2-8, 2023

Country	Headline
Cambodia	<b>French gov't returns Apsara bas-relief</b>  The French government has returned an Apsara bas-relief to Cambodia through Cambodia Embassy to France after it was confiscated from an antique auction house.  Date: September 7, 2023 Source: Khmer Times Author: Link: <a href="https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501356273/french-govt-returns-apsara-bas-relief/">https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501356273/french-govt-returns-apsara-bas-relief/</a>
	<b>Angkor authorities appeal to tourist buses to park correctly</b>  APSARA Authority has appealed to tourist bus drivers to park in the designated areas to maintain the beauty of the national tourist heritage area and avoid congestion and accidents on the roads.  Date: September 7, 2023 Source: Khmer Times Author: Link: <a href="https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501356615/angkor-authorities-appeal-to-tourist-buses-to-park-correctly/">https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501356615/angkor-authorities-appeal-to-tourist-buses-to-park-correctly/</a>

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### **Culture Ministry bans use of photos to boost sales**

The Ministry of Culture and Fine Arts has banned the use of photographs of Cambodian artifacts to promote the sale of art objects on social media.

Date: September 6, 2023

Source: Khmer Times

Author:

Link: <https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501355464/culture-ministry-bans-use-of-photos-to-boost-sales/>

### **Restoration team shows commitment to restoring ancient temples using traditional techniques**

The restoration teams employ traditional techniques to restore ancient temples in Siem Reap province.

Date: September 6, 2023

Source: Khmer Times

Author:

Link: <https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501355642/restoration-team-shows-commitment-to-restoring-ancient-temples-using-traditional-techniques/>

### **Ministry issue legal alert over deceptive online artefact ads**

The Ministry of Culture and Fine Arts has issued a warning of legal action against traders and online sellers who use photos of Cambodian artefacts on social media to promote the sale of art objects.

Date: September 5, 2023

Source: The Phnom Penh Post

Author: Chea Sokny

Link: <https://phnompenhpost.com/national/ministry-issue-legal-alert-over-deceptive-online-artefact-ads>

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### **MCFA seeks return of artefacts from Thailand and China**

Along with efforts to return artifacts from the US, the Ministry of Culture and Fine Arts of Cambodia seeks return of Cambodian's artifacts from neighboring countries and other nations.

Date: September 5, 2023

Source: Khmer Times

Author:

Link: <https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501354452/mcfa-seeks-return-of-artefacts-from-thailand-and-china/>

### **VIDEO & PICTURES: Khmer traditional dancer displays grace and style on New Zealand glacier**

A video and pictures of Apsara Dance at New Zealand go viral on social media.

Date: September 4, 2023

Source: Khmer Times

Author:

Link: <https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501353360/video-pictures-khmer-traditional-dancer-displays-grace-and-style-on-new-zealand-glacier/>

### **Participation of pagodas in conservation of Angkor Park promoted**

The APSARA National Authority organized a workshop on "Pagodas in Angkor Park and other pagodas in the area under the management of the APSARA National Authority" aiming at cultivating love, care, and conservation of Angkor Park, which is a World Heritage Site through the participation of pagodas.

Date: September 2, 2023

Source: Khmer Times

Author:

Link: <https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501353226/participation-of-pagodas-in-conservation-of-angkor-park-promoted/>

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<p><b>Malaysia</b></p>	<p><b>Ipoh council seeking funds to build better road to Gua Tambun</b></p> <p>The Ipoh City Council is seeking an amount of budget to develop GuaTambu, which is famous for prehistoric cave drawing, into an eco-tourism site.</p> <p>Date: September 2, 2023  Source: The Star  Author: Ivan Loh  Link: <a href="https://www.thestar.com.my/metro/metro-news/2023/09/02/ipoh-council-seeking-funds-to-build-better-road-to-gua-tambun">https://www.thestar.com.my/metro/metro-news/2023/09/02/ipoh-council-seeking-funds-to-build-better-road-to-gua-tambun</a></p>
<p><b>Myanmar</b></p>	<p><b>Fear Grows for Myanmar’s Bagan After Temples Suffer Fresh Flooding</b></p> <p>After seven hours of heavy rain, archaeological treasures in Bagan were left flooded.</p> <p>Date: September 5, 2023  Source: The Irrawaddy  Author:  Link: <a href="https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/fear-grows-for-myanmars-bagan-after-temples-suffer-fresh-flooding.html">https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/fear-grows-for-myanmars-bagan-after-temples-suffer-fresh-flooding.html</a></p>
<p><b>Thailand</b></p>	<p><b>Three treasure hunters nabbed with over 1,000 antiques</b></p> <p>Central Investigation Bureau (CIB) officers have arrested three treasure hunters and seized over 1,000 antique items.</p> <p>Date: September 4, 2023  Source: Thai PBS World  Author:  Link: <a href="https://www.thaipbsworld.com/three-treasure-hunters-nabbed-with-over-1000-antiques/">https://www.thaipbsworld.com/three-treasure-hunters-nabbed-with-over-1000-antiques/</a></p>

	<p><b>Three museums in Sing Buri offers a tasty menu of historical delights</b></p> <p>Three museums in Sing Buri are rich in historical value that should not be overshadowed.</p> <p>Date: September 3, 2023  Source: Thai PBS World  Author:  Link: <a href="https://www.thaipbsworld.com/three-museums-in-sing-buri-offer-a-tasty-menu-of-historical-delights/">https://www.thaipbsworld.com/three-museums-in-sing-buri-offer-a-tasty-menu-of-historical-delights/</a></p>
<p><b>Vietnam</b></p>	<p><b>Beautiful antiques of four dynasties at HCM City exhibition</b></p> <p>Many precious antiques from the Ly, Tran, Le, and Nguyen dynasties are being displayed on a large scale for the first time at the History Museum.</p> <p>Date: September 6, 2023  Source: Vietnam Net  Author:  Link: <a href="https://vietnamnet.vn/en/beautiful-antiques-of-four-dynasties-at-hcm-city-exhibition-2185948.html">https://vietnamnet.vn/en/beautiful-antiques-of-four-dynasties-at-hcm-city-exhibition-2185948.html</a></p>
	<p><b>Artists' Pagoda renovated</b></p> <p>The Renovation of Artists Pagoda aiming to raise funds to support the pagoda will last until October.</p> <p>Date: September 6, 2023  Source: Viet Nam News  Author:  Link: <a href="https://vietnamnews.vn/life-style/1593339/artists-pagoda-renovated.html">https://vietnamnews.vn/life-style/1593339/artists-pagoda-renovated.html</a></p>
	<p><b>Artist makes musical instruments using coconut tree material</b></p> <p>Võ Văn Bá, an 81-year-old artist, is famous for his work making musical instruments using materials from the coconut tree.</p> <p>Date: September 3, 2023</p>

	Source: Viet Nam News
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	Link: <a href="https://vietnamnews.vn/life-style/1582893/artist-makes-musical-instruments-using-coconut-tree-material.html">https://vietnamnews.vn/life-style/1582893/artist-makes-musical-instruments-using-coconut-tree-material.html</a>
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