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## Southeast Asian Archeology, Culture and Fine Arts News

May 18-24, 2024

Country	Headline
Cambodia	<p><b>The production and use of Khmer incense in various ceremonies of Angkor residents</b></p> <p>The production and use of Khmer incense in various ceremonies of Angkor residents have deep cultural significance and are integral to Cambodian daily life.</p> <p>Date: May 22, 2024 Source: Khmer Times Author: Link: <a href="https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501492593/the-production-and-use-of-khmer-incense-in-various-ceremonies-of-angkor-residents/">https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501492593/the-production-and-use-of-khmer-incense-in-various-ceremonies-of-angkor-residents/</a></p>
	<p><b>APSARA Authority to install automatic water management station at Angkor site in collaboration with the SIAVB, France</b></p> <p>The APSARA National Authority met with the SIAVB and technical officers of various institutions of the project “Siem Reap Angkor Water Management Automated Assistance System (SDGERA)” to review the technical work in preparation for six automatic water management stations to be installed at the Angkor site in June.</p> <p>Date: May 22, 2024 Source: Khmer Times</p>

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	<p>Author:  Link: <a href="https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501492965/apsara-authority-to-install-automatic-water-management-station-at-angkor-site-in-collaboration-with-the-siavb-france/">https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501492965/apsara-authority-to-install-automatic-water-management-station-at-angkor-site-in-collaboration-with-the-siavb-france/</a></p> <hr/> <p><b>ANA restoring terrace, balustrades at Banteay Samre Temple (VIDEO)</b></p> <p>The Apsara National Authority (ANA) is restoring the terrace and Naga balustrades at the Banteay Samre Temple.</p> <p>Date: May 21, 2024  Source: Khmer Times  Author: Nop Sreymao  Link: <a href="https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501491740/ana-restoring-terrace-balustrades-at-banteay-samre-temple/">https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501491740/ana-restoring-terrace-balustrades-at-banteay-samre-temple/</a></p> <hr/> <p><b>Experts able to restore over 200 fallen stones at temple</b></p> <p>The Apsara National Authority experts have identified more than 200 of the fallen stones at Chorm Temple which can be restored without using modern replacements.</p> <p>Date: May 20, 2024  Source: Khmer Times  Author: Som Sotheary  Link: <a href="https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501490942/experts-able-to-restore-over-200-fallen-stones-at-temple/">https://www.khmertimeskh.com/501490942/experts-able-to-restore-over-200-fallen-stones-at-temple/</a></p>
<p><b>Indonesia</b></p>	<p><b>Monks from four nations including Malaysia complete spiritual pilgrimage to Borobudur temple in honor to WESAK day</b></p> <p>A group of 40 monks from Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia and Indonesia successfully completed a spiritual pilgrimage to Borobudur temple in honor of WESAK day.</p> <p>Date: May 22, 2024  Source: BERNAMA.COM  Author:  Link: <a href="https://bernama.com/en/world/news.php?id=2300366">https://bernama.com/en/world/news.php?id=2300366</a></p>

<p><b>Laos</b></p>	<p><b>Largest Buddha Statue Unearthed in Laos Sparks Viral Debate Over Ownership Among Mekong River Nations</b></p> <p>The largest unearthed Buddha statue in Bokeo province becomes a controversial issue in terms of its authenticity and original ownership.</p> <p>Date: May 21, 2024  Source: The Laotian Times  Author: Chono Lapuekou  Link: <a href="https://laotiantimes.com/2024/05/21/largest-buddha-statue-unearthed-in-laos-sparks-viral-debate-over-ownership-among-mekong-river-nations/">https://laotiantimes.com/2024/05/21/largest-buddha-statue-unearthed-in-laos-sparks-viral-debate-over-ownership-among-mekong-river-nations/</a></p> <hr/> <p><b>Bokeo adds 8 more Buddha statues to collection</b></p> <p>The Bokeo provincial authorities have added eight more Buddha statues to their collection following the recent discovery of artifacts at a site in Tonpheung district with the search continuing for other items.</p> <p>Date: May 20, 2024  Source: Vientiane Times  Author:  Link: <a href="https://www.vientianetimes.org.la/freefreenews/freecontent_94_Bokeo_y24.php">https://www.vientianetimes.org.la/freefreenews/freecontent_94_Bokeo_y24.php</a></p>
<p><b>Malaysia</b></p>	<p><b>Heritage trustees converge on George Town</b></p> <p>PENANG presented different cultural activities to celebrate the 28th International Museum Day Festival in George Town.</p> <p>Date: May 21, 2024  Source: The Star  Author:  Link: <a href="https://www.thestar.com.my/metro/metro-news/2024/05/21/heritage-trustees-converge-on-george-town">https://www.thestar.com.my/metro/metro-news/2024/05/21/heritage-trustees-converge-on-george-town</a></p>

<p><b>Philippines</b></p>	<p><b>Cebu archdiocese, NMP agree on return of Boljoon pulpit panels</b></p> <p>The Archdiocese of Cebu (AoC) on Wednesday announced that the four long-lost pulpit panels from the Archdiocesan Shrine of Patrocinio de Maria Santissima will soon be returned to the province's Boljoon town.</p> <p>Date: May 22, 2024  Source: Philippines News Agency  Author: Ferdinand Patinio  Link: <a href="https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1225288">https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1225288</a></p>
	<p><b>Archaeologists dig anew in Callao Cave</b></p> <p>Archeologists from the University of the Philippines (UP) started digging anew in the caves of Peñablanca, Cagayan.</p> <p>Date: May 21, 2024  Source: The Manila Times  Author:  Link: <a href="https://www.manilatimes.net/2024/05/21/regions/archaeologists-dig-anew-in-callao-cave/1947603">https://www.manilatimes.net/2024/05/21/regions/archaeologists-dig-anew-in-callao-cave/1947603</a></p>
	<p><b>Kulaman limestone burial jars repatriated and gifted to the National Museum</b></p> <p>The National Museum of the Philippines led the turnover ceremony for the Sally A. von dem Hagen Collection of limestone burial jars from the Kulaman Plateau that marked the success of a repatriation initiative begun several years ago.</p> <p>Date: May 19, 2024  Source: Daily Tribune  Author:  Link: <a href="https://tribune.net.ph/2024/05/19/kulaman-limestone-burial-jars-repatriated-and-gifted-to-the-national-museum">https://tribune.net.ph/2024/05/19/kulaman-limestone-burial-jars-repatriated-and-gifted-to-the-national-museum</a></p>

<p><b>Thailand</b></p>	<p><b>Golden Boy, Kneeling Lady on display at the National Museum from Thursday</b></p> <p>Two returned artifacts, Golden Boy and Kneeling Lady, are on display at the National Museum from Thursday onward.</p> <p>Date: May 22, 2024  Source: Thai PBS World  Author:  Link: <a href="https://www.thaipbsworld.com/golden-boy-kneeling-lady-on-display-at-the-national-museum-from-thursday/">https://www.thaipbsworld.com/golden-boy-kneeling-lady-on-display-at-the-national-museum-from-thursday/</a></p>
	<p><b>Thailand to return 20 historic artifacts to Cambodia</b></p> <p>Thailand has agreed to return 20 artifacts to Cambodia, which were among 43 antiquities smuggled into the country from Singapore in 2000.</p> <p>Date: May 22, 2024  Source: Thai PBS World  Author:  Link: <a href="https://www.thaipbsworld.com/thailand-to-return-20-historic-artefacts-to-cambodia/">https://www.thaipbsworld.com/thailand-to-return-20-historic-artefacts-to-cambodia/</a></p>
<p><b>Vietnam</b></p>	<p><b>Artifacts reveal striking facts about early humans in Vietnam</b></p> <p>The Vietnam Institute of Archaeology and the Thai Nguyen Provincial Museum have unearthed a number of artifacts at Thai Nguyen province dating back approximately 60,000 to 120,000 years.</p> <p>Date: May 18, 2024  Source: Vietnam Plus  Author:  Link: <a href="https://en.vietnamplus.vn/artefacts-reveal-striking-facts-about-early-humans-in-vietnam-post286037.vnp">https://en.vietnamplus.vn/artefacts-reveal-striking-facts-about-early-humans-in-vietnam-post286037.vnp</a></p>