

The Heritage Hub



The Heritage Hub is a branch of CLA located in Siem Reap. It supports CLA's wider mission; to be a catalyst in a vibrant arts sector, inspiring new generations. The Heritage Hub focusses especially on strengthening living heritage – the range of cultural and artistic practices that are part of people's lives, from music to ritual and crafts, and even food and social interactions. Our current priority is traditional performing arts.

Heritage Hub Mission

We strengthen living arts and culture to bring cultural, creative and economic value to Cambodia, especially Siem Reap.

Our goals are:

1. Make Siem Reap known in Cambodia and the region as a center for people who want to connect with Cambodia's living heritage
2. Ensure Cambodian artists in Siem Reap have the skills and opportunities they need to earn a sustainable living using their art skills
3. Increase knowledge about Cambodia's living heritage by providing training, funding, resources and networks to researchers, especially emerging Cambodian researchers
4. Increase mutual understanding between people and awareness of shared culture by facilitating artistic exchange and dialogue within Asia, especially the Mekong Region
5. Keep the living arts relevant to Cambodia today, by encouraging creativity among traditional artists.



Get Involved:

The Heritage Hub Manager is **SONG Seng**. If you want to find out more, or learn how you can get involved in activities, contact him at seng@cambodianlivingarts.org.

Heritage Hub Activities

The Heritage Hub works on all of CLA's core programs, providing guidance, leadership, and expertise wherever projects relate to the living heritage of Cambodia. It takes the lead on projects that link strongly to Siem Reap and traditional performing arts. Our activities include:

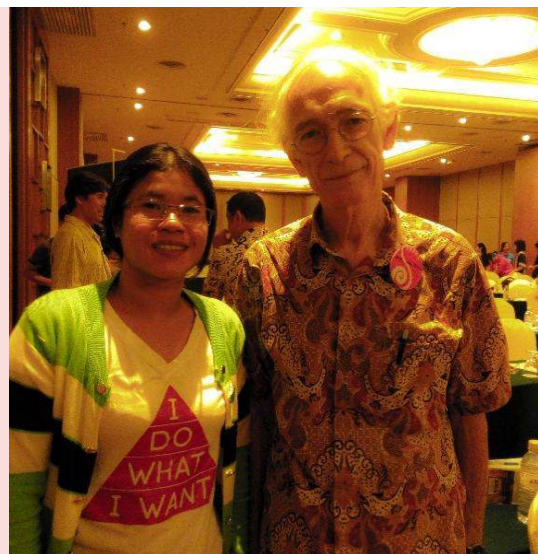


ARTS DEVELOPMENT

This includes workshops, commissions, performances, festivals, and small grants. In January 2017, we commissioned female artists from Sounds of Angkor to create a new drumming piece. In July 2017, we hosted a Music Residency, where traditional artists learned to create new creative pieces. Soon, we will be able to offer small grants to groups and individuals to develop new artistic projects.

KNOWLEDGE, NETWORKS & POLICY

We help artists and arts professionals to build networks and share knowledge about living heritage. In November 2016, we held a round table about puppetry art forms. We also join and help others to join regional and global programs including the Symposium of the International Council for Traditional Music. In the future, we will open a Research Training, Roundtable for Researchers, and Research Residency in Siem Reap, to support research into living heritage.



CLA ENTERPRISE

We organize private performances and arts workshops. These create job opportunities for local artists, helping them to get a sustainable income from their artistic skills. It also helps artists to express themselves and build networks with audiences and other artists.