

An 18th Century Khmer Love Story



The Cambodian Community Day, in collaboration with the Cambodian Buddhist Society, Inc. and the volunteers from the Cambodian communities around Washington DC Metro area presents the Mak Theung show.





Angkor Association 27 years in the making



Best wishes from our family to yours Happy Khmer New Year 2013



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Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Happy Khmer New Year to All

NEW YEAR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2013

♦ 9:30 AM: Paying respect to the Triple Gem;

Taking the Five Precepts;

Putting alms into alms bowls; Food Offering;

Lecture on the Dhamma

♦ 11:00 AM: Lunch for Buddhist Monks

• 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM: Music by Mohori Ensemble;

Playing folk games

♦ 11:30 AM: Parade of Deities

♦ 12:00 Noon: Trott Music

12:30 PM - 02:00 PM: YeeKe Show "Mak Theung"

♦ 02:00 PM - 06:00 PM : Music by MAYURA Band

◆ 07:30 PM : Paying respect to the Triple Gem;

Taking the Five Precepts; Chanting the Paritta; Lecture on the Dhamma.

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2013

♦ 02:12 AM: Greeting the New Year Deity named

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9:30 AM: Paying respect to the Triple Gem;

Taking the Five Precepts; Putting alms into alms bowls;

Food Offering; Lecture on the Dhamma

▶ 11:00 AM: Lunch for Buddhist Monks

• 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon: Music by Mohori Ensemble;

Playing folk games

♦ 12:00 Noon: Chhayam Music

♦ 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM: Presentation of Cambodian

traditional dance by the Sunday School Dance Troupe New Year gifts for Sunday School students

♦ 02:00 PM - 6:00 PM : Music by MOROKOT

Drawing of raffle prizes

02:00 PM: New Year gifts to the Elderly;

New Year gifts to the public by drawing.

New Year gifts to the public by drawing

MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2013

09:30 AM: Paying respect to the Triple Gem;

Taking the Five Precepts; Putting alms into alms bowls;

Food Offering

♦ 11:00 AM: Lunch for Buddhist Monks

07:30 PM: Paying respect to the Triple Gem;

Taking the Five Precepts;

Chanting the Paritta;

Lecture on the Dhamma

TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2013

09:30 AM: Paying respect to the Triple Gem;

Taking the Five Precepts; Putting alms into alms bowls;

Food Offering

♦ 11:00 AM: Lunch for Buddhist Monks

01:00 PM: Setting up sand mounts;

Sprinkling holy water on the Buddha Images and on

Buddhist Monks

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Message from President of the Cambodian Buddhist Society, Inc.

GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

DR. SOVAN TUN



Greetings from Buddhist Monks of Vatt Buddhikara and from all members of the Board of Directors of the Cambodian Buddhist Society, Inc.! Welcome to the Cambodian Buddhist Temple! I hope you will enjoy the events that we have planned for you this year. There are so many activities to be presented in two days that some are conducted concurrently.

It is a Cambodian tradition to have a New Year celebration at Buddhist Temples throughout Cambodia because they are not only a place of worship, but also a community center. To follow this tradition, Vatt Buddhikarama expects to receive thousands of people from different states of the Union for

the New Year. The Temple provides the opportunity for their reunion and offers the chance for young people to meet and to know each other, and to play together. The Temple conducts Buddhist services in the morning and entertainment activities in the afternoon. The celebration of this year's New Year will continue until Tuesday, April 16, 2013 for final blessing. The Temple tries to introduce new cultural activities every year. This year, thanks to members of the Cambodian Community Day, the Temple is able to present a musical play entitled "MAK THEUNG". Actors are not professional; they are volunteers who receive no remuneration from the Temple. Please join me in giving them loud applause for being generous to spend time away from the family for training and rehearsal, for being friendly and cooperative to work together, and for being courageous to go on stage. New also is the parade of Deities (Tevodas) who will go on stage to transfer the power from the old deity to a new Deity. TROT, a musical dance introduced last year, will play again. Furthermore, folk games will be re-energized to show to young people what kind of games young Cambodians play together. Once again, I wish each and everyone a happy New Year. May Lord Buddha bless you with prosperity, longevity, good health, and peaceful life during the New Year of the Serpent and many years to come. May all beings be free from diseases, from hunger, from hate, and from discrimination.

Message from The CCD President

Dear friends and families,



On behalf of Cambodian Community Day (CCD) Board of Directors, members and volunteers, I would like to wish you a Happy Khmer New Year, Buddhist Era 2557, the Year of Snake. May you have success, prosperity, good health in the year to come.

As we are entering a new year, please take a moment to reflect upon ourselves what we have done in the year past and what we should do to improve ourselves in life, and to better serve our community and the country. The new year era is full of excitement. We should cleanse our heart, our mind and soul when we receive the new year angel. We must truly follow Buddha's teaching and Dharma without any reservation. We should spend more time helping others who are in need. We should love each other,

love our neighbors as we love ourselves. We should reconcile any conflicts we may have. We must learn to forgive and forget.

This year, the CCD has an opportunity to join an effort with the Cambodian Buddhist Society, Inc to bring you a Mak Theung show. The performance is the product of many volunteers from both organizations and the Cambodian American Heritage, Inc. We have worked tirelessly in the past few months to bring you the finest show. The performers are all volunteers. Please applaud them. The Mak Theung show will continue on to CCD Festival in September in Alexandria, VA.

I also like to take this opportunity to tell you about our mission. In a nutshell, we are integrating Khmer culture into American society. We believe in the value of keeping and passing on our cultural heritage to our children. Also, we work to empower our Community, bridge distances, heal rifts and build bonds. The purpose of celebrating CCD Festival is to promote Cambodian culture to the next highest level, to celebrate Khmer achievements and to strengthen Cambodian voice. Please support our cause. As you know, our country has abundant heritages, has an undisputable oldest and finest culture in Southeast Asia. But the world knows Cambodia only as a killing field. We seek to erase this bad perception. Please continue to talk good about Khmer and about our country, but still reflect on lives lost and altered. If you don't, who will.

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ថ្ងៃនេះខ្ញុំមានចិត្តរីករាយយ៉ាងខ្វាំង ដោយឃើញវត្តមានរបស់អស់លោកលោកស្រីនិងប្រិយមិត្ត ដែលបានអញ្ជើញមក ចូលរួមក្នុងពិធីចូលឆ្នាំខ្មែរ។ តាងនាមនៃក្រុមអភិបាល សមាជិសមាជិកានៃសមាគមទិវាសហគមន៍ខ្មែរ ខ្ញុំសូមប្រសិទ្ធិពរ ជូនដល់លោកលោកស្រីនិងប្រិយមិត្តទាំងអស់អោយបានប្រកបតែនឹងជោគជ័យសិរីមង្គលវិបុលសុខ សុខភាពមាំមួន អាយុយឺនយូរ រកស៊ីមានបាន ត្រជាក់ត្រជុំកុំបីឃ្វៀងឃ្វាតឡើយ។ ក្នុងឱកាសចូលឆ្នាំថ្មីនេះ ខ្ញុំសូមអោយប្រីយមិត្រ សញ្ជីងរំពឹងគិតដល់អំពើរល្អដែលបានធ្វើក្នុងឆ្នាំចាស់ ហើយសូមបន្តរទៅទៀតក្នុងឆ្នាំថ្មី។ បើមានផលរមាស់មន្ទិល សៅហ្មង៍ សូមសំអាតចិត្តអោយជ្រះស្រឡះ ទទួលទេវតាឆ្នាំថ្មី ហើយខិតខំប្រតិបត្តតាមការប្រៀនប្រដៅរបស់ព្រះពុទ្ធ ព្រះធម៌ ព្រះសង្ស៍ ដោយពិតប្រាកដឥតបន្ទំក្រែងក្បាយ។

សមាគមទិវាសហគមន៍ខ្មែរមានគោលបំណងតែមួយ គឺជួយលើកដំកើងតម្ងៃអរិយធម៌និងប្រពៃណីខ្មែរអោយបាន ខ្ពង់ខ្ពស់ជាងមុនទៅទៀតនៅក្នុងសហរដ្ឋអាមេរិក ធ្វើយ៉ាងណាអោយគេទទួលស្គាល់ខ្មែរយើងច្រើនជាងមុន។ សូមអរ គុណជាអតិបរមាដល់ការជួយជ្រោមជ្រែងដល់វត្តពុទ្ធិការាម និងដល់សមាគមទិវាសហគមន៍ខ្មែរ។ សូមអញ្ជើញកំសាន្ត រីករាយជាមួយយើងខ្ញុំថ្ងៃនេះ។

Happy Khmer New Year!

Sincerely, Ben Bao CCD President





Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

CAMBODIAN NEW YEAR April 13-15, 2013

WHEREAS. The State of Maryland is deeply enriched by the diversity of its residents, and seeks to further promote acceptance, understanding and inclusion of the wealth of cultures in the State; and

WHEREAS, Cambodian Americans across Maryland are making significant civic, cultural and economic contributions to this region; and

WHEREAS, The Cambodian American community is celebrating the Cambodian New Year on April 13 through April

15, 2013, and is engaging in a period of family activities and cultural festivities; and

WHEREAS, Maryland is proud to join with the Cambodian American community across this great State in commemorating the Cambodian New Year, and we express our best wishes to those involved to make this a wonderful time of celebration.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARTIN O'MALLEY, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim April 13 through 15, 2013 as CAMBODIAN NEW YEAR CELEBRATION in Maryland, and do commend this celebration to all of our citizens.



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WHEREAS,

Montgomery County continues to benefit from the strength and vitality that individuals and families from diverse backgrounds bring to our community; and



WHEREAS,

Asian Americans make up 14 percent of the one million residents in

our county; and

WHEREAS.

Montgomery County residents of Cambodian descent continue to make significant contributions to enhance the quality of life in the

county; and

WHEREAS,

Cambodian New Year has grown into a major annual event celebrated by thousands of residents in our county;

NOW, THEREFORE, DO I,

Isiah Leggett as County Executive, do hereby proclaim April 13-15, 2013 as



CAMBODIAN NEW YEAR

in Montgomery County. I encourage our residents to join me in recognizing the contribution of the Cambodian community and to take part in this month's celebrations.

Signed this 13th day of April in the year 2013.

County Executive



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I have a great pleasure to welcome everyone to this year's Cambodian New Year Festival, celebrating the coming "Year of the Snake." I would like to appreciate the efforts of the Cambodian Buddhist Society, Inc. and all other people concerned for making this year's festival possible.

On this happy occasion, on behalf of the Royal Government of Cambodia, I would like to wish wholeheartedly all the Cambodian Compatriots a Happy and Harmonious New Year.

Today's event presents an opportunity for families and individuals to reflect on the past year and plan for the future. Equally important, the New Year's celebration provides a platform to empower younger generations by educating them on their multifaceted heritage.

As a nation, we have encountered numerous challenges in the past years. However, we continue to maintain our resiliency, and these celebrations humbly portray our unwavering spirit in the face of adversity.

Finally, may I pray to all Tevodas in the world to safeguard Cambodia and all Cambodians to be blessed with successes, prosperity and longevity.

Washington, DC, April 03, 2013

Ambassador

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THE CAMBODIAN BUDDHIST SOCIETY, INC.

The Cambodian Buddhist Society, Inc. (CBS) was organized in 1976 and incorporated in the State of Maryland in 1978 as a non-profit, religious, and educational organization. It is the first Cambodian Buddhist temple to be established in the United States. Its headquarters, Vatt Buddhikarama or Cambodian Buddhist Temple, was located first in Oxon Hill, then in New Carrollton, Maryland. It moved to the present Silver Spring location in 1986. The Cambodian Buddhist Society, Inc. has four-fold objectives:

- 1. To conduct Buddhist services;
- 2. To conserve Cambodian culture;
- 3. To provide training; and
- 4. To provide humanitarian assistance.

CBS is governed by a Board of Directors of 15 members. The Board consists of 3 Buddhist monks automatically selected without vote and 12 members elected bi-annually by members of the Cambodian Buddhist Society. Also, tow internal auditors are elected. Four stranding committees are created to perform different tasks:

- Committee in charge of ceremonies,
- Committee in charge of cultural affairs,
- Committee in charge of security and public relations.
- Committee in charge of construction and maintenance.

CBS presently has 2 major buildings: residential building with Ceremony Hall and Vihara or Buddha Hall. A Stupa is under late stage construction. When finished, it will store Buddha Relic and people's ash. Vatt Buddhikarama holds in its collection many Khmer and Buddhist texts. Its facilities have been used on several occasions by other Buddhist traditions for Buddha teaching and meditation.

The Cambodian Buddhist Temple is not only a place of worship, but also serves as a Cambodian American community center. It is the main contact for government agencies to reach out to Cambodian Americans. It is a temporary shelter for the homeless and a feeding place for the hungry.

The Cambodian Buddhist Temple conducts religious services on all Buddhist days, Buddhist holidays, and traditional holidays. It performs services at the Temple or at private homes for private ceremonies, such as memorial services for departed ancestors or birthday celebrations. Daily chanting takes place every morning and evening at the Temple. Under its youth program, CBS conduct a Sunday school comprising Khmer language, dance and music classes. The school is open to all young people ranging from ages 6 to 20. Two kinds of dances (classical and traditional dances) are taught by former teachers and dancers in Cambodia. Khmer music is taught by Master teacher who has received award from the National Endowment for the Arts.





ABOUT CAMBODIAN COMMUNITY DAY ଛିଚାଈ ସଞ୍ଚର୍ଞ୍ଚଣ୍ଡ୍ର

Mission, Vision and Goal:

The Cambodian Community Day (CCD) is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization whose members are enthusiastic people sharing common interest in promoting Cambodian culture and heritage. We seek to integrate Khmer culture into American society. We believe in the value of keeping and passing on our cultural heritage to our children. We work to strengthen Khmer voice, empower Khmer Community, bridge distances, heal rifts and build bonds among Khmers and other ethnic groups.

We seek to increase the awareness, to present and preserve the Cambodian culture. Our vision is to do everything we possibly can to erase a bad perception about Cambodia as a killing field. Our country has so much to offer. Our heritage is abundant,

but the world know little about us. Most of us, Cambodian-Americans, are away from our homeland and adopt America as our own. We have a duty to keep our tradition and culture by showing them to our children. That is a small thing we can do.

Important dates to remember

- Friday June 14, 2013 Father Day Celebration, Harvest Moon, Fall Church, Virginia
- Sunday September 22, 2013
 Cambodian Cultural Festival, Ben Brenman Park, Alexandria, Virginia

What We Do:

In the past 13 years, we have employed different means to having the world to recognize Khmer civilization as an oldest and more prestigious culture of all times. Once of the most noticeable of our works in the Washington DC area is a yearly Cambodian Festival which draws thousands each year to attend. The goal of the festival is to bring Cambodian and American communities from all walk of lives together in recognition of Khmer achievements that strengthen the Khmer

voice and to exhibit Cambodian heritages. The festival showcases classical/folklore dances, performance show, traditional music ensemble, traditional game and children activities.

Beside the festival, we have participated in many cultural events to represent Cambodia such as Asian Festival in DC and in Northern Virginia, Asian American Pacific Heritage month in Prince William County Virginia, Catholic Cultural Heritage month just to name a few. Quite often throughout the year, our members have gone out to serve our community on a ad hoc basis.

Another work we have done and is worth to mention is our website, a digital repository of many useful information relating to culture, tradition and heritage. Half of visitors to our website are in Cambodia. For this reason, we are aggressively looking into publishing and deploying Khmer culture, tradition, heritage, literature and entertainment in Khmer. Visit our website today at www.CambodianCommunityDay.org.

How We Operate:

The CCD is operating solely on a volunteer basis. None of members, directors and officers get paid whatsoever. We do not receive any grant, but we will look into getting one in the future. We finance our operation from public donations and fundraising activities. We also donate a little money we have to other charitable organizations. From 2007 to 2010, we have provide 12 scholarships in an amount of \$3,600 to Cambodian students in Cambodia via CEE Foundation. In the past two years, we have donated money to volunteer group of Cambodian Buddhist Society, Inc. that organized Cambodian Beauty Pageant, Angkor Era Cultural show. For 2013 Khmer New Year, the CCD has an honor to organize Yeeke Mak Theung, an 18th Century Cambodian Love story to be performed at Cambodian Buddhist Temple.

Future Outlook (wish list/dreams):

The CCD wishes to have a Khmer Art Museum and a Water Festival in DC area. We also wish to build a website that publishes all relevant Khmer cultural artifacts. We are looking into joining a Southeast Asian History Research Institute to expand our knowledge on Cambodian culture.







KHMER NEW YEAR ទូលឆ្លាំខ្មែរ

When is Khmer New Year 2013?

The 2013 Khmer New Year Days fall on the 14, 15 and 16 of April, the year of Snake. The New Year's angel of this year is Thungsak Tevy, the first daughter of Kabil Moha Prum. She is dwelling at Chatomahara Reachika Palace and wears a ruby necklace and her hair is adorned with a hairpin of pomegranate flower. As weapons, she carries a disc on her right hand and a shell on her left hand. She rides Garuda as a vehicle. Her favorite food is fig fruit. Thungsak Tevy will be arriving on April 14, time 2:12 am. So each house must be ready with the offering table and the burning of incense sticks to welcome and make praying to New Year's angel for a happiness and successful for the coming year.

Preparation

Before the New Year Days, each Cambodian house is decorated with flower and ornaments. They make an altar for offerings and worshiping new Angel of the year. Typical decoration includes, but may vary by region and practice:

- A statue or picture of Buddha
- 5 incense sticks, 5 candles
- · A pair of decorated young banana tree
- 3 kinds of fruits, each kind prepared into 2 trays
- Small jasmine flower braids to put on every offering
- And the special offering for Tungsak Tevy's favorite food, the Fig fruit.

In addition, Cambodians make a hand-made lantern in the shape of a star lighted with candle. Each night, they gather before the altar and do the praying service by reciting dharma. During the day, old folks prepare foods and bring them to Buddhist temple while young folks play folk games. The biggest celebration for Khmer New Year is April 16, the last day when most people go to the Buddhist temple. Other religion followers celebrate the New Year a little bit different. The whole point is that everybody really has a good time. People who live in the city goes back to their native village and feast with their relatives and friends.

Legend Perspective

Once upon a time there is a young man named Dhammabal Koma (formerly an incarnation of the Buddha) who is a son of a rich man. Dhammabal Koma has finished his study of the three Vedas and also can speak the language of all birds. His talent and knowledge made him to be famous through out the area. One day, Kabil Moha Prum, who is the king of heaven heard about the cleverness of Dhammabal Koma and wanted to challenge him a test of intellectual ability by asking him to solve three riddles within seven days time period. If he looses the contest, Kabil Moha Prum, the king of heaven, will cut his own head off. If Dhammabal Koma could not solve the riddles, he must also cut off his head too.

Six days have gone by and Dhammabal Koma still had no answer to the riddles. He was hopeless and thought that he would have to suffer his life for the King of Heaven the next day. With tremendous guilt, he decided to walk into deep forest and kill himself for his ashamedness. After a long distance of struggling in the forest, Dhammabal Koma had arrived underneath of big palm tree. He was too tired. While he was about to fall asleep, he accidentally heard a conversation of an eagle couple. The female eagle was enquired her male eagle about their food for tomorrow, and the male eagle replied that we will have Dhammabal Koma's flesh for many days, because he will not be able to solve the Kabil Moha Prum's riddles. Curiously, the female eagle asked her male eagle of what the riddles were all about. Her male eagle replied:

- 1. Where is the charm in the morning?
- 2. Where is the charm in the afternoon?
- 3. Where is the charm in the evening?

The male eagle then continues to tell his female eagle the answers:

- 1. In the morning, charm lies on people's face as they wash their face before starting a new day.
- 2. In the afternoon, charm is on people's chests as they bathe to cool their body from the afternoon heat.
- 3. In the evening, charm is at people's feet as they clean their feet after a full day of work and get ready for bed.

KHMER NEW YEAR

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Legend (cont'd)

After listening to the conversation of the eagles couple, Dhammabal Koma quickly recovered from tiredness and rushed back to his palace waiting for Kabil Moha Prum, the King of Heaven to answer his riddles. After hearing the right answers, Kabil Moha Prum who is a worthy and honorable God, wasted no time to arrange a decapitation of his own head.

As promised, Kabil Moha Prum cut off his own head due to his defeated. But before doing so, the King of Heaven calls his seven daughters to come and advised them that his head cannot be dropped down on earth or ocean. If the decapitated head were to touch the ground, then the whole earth would start to burn uncontrollably. If the head was thrown into the air, then it would stop raining forever. If it sunk in the ocean it would make the water evaporated.

His head must be putting on a golden platter. All daughters who are angels must take turn to carry his head for ceremonial circle around mount Someru, (the mythical five peaked summit that contains the city of Brahma, home of the God). Every year during the Sangkran date, they paraded for seven rounds on this mountain before bringing the head back and keep in Kuntheakmali temple in heaven.

If the New Year, which is April 13th, falls on:

Sunday angel is Tungsa Tevy as the oldest daughter of Kabil Moha Prum, wears a ruby necklace, a pomegranate flower hairpin. She carries a disc on the right hand and on her left hand holding a shell. Fig fruit is her favorite food. Her vehicle is garuda.

Monday angel is Koreak Tevy wears Angkeabos flower hairpin. She carries a sword with her right hand and a cane at the left. She rides a tiger and oil is her favorite food.

Tuesday angel is Reaksa Tevy wears lotus flower hairpin. She drinks blood. In her hands are a trident at right, and a bow at left. Her animal is a horse.

Wednesday angel is Mondar Tevy wears a Champa flower hairpin. Her weapons are a needle on right hand, and a cane on left. She drinks milk and rides a donkey.

Thursday angel is Keriny Tevy wears a hairpin of Mondar flower. Beans and sesame are her favorite foods. On her right hand carries a harpoon and on left hand a gun. Her vehicle is elephant.

Friday angel is Kemira Tevy wears a hairpin of violet flower. She prefer banana as offering. She carries a sword on right hand and a zither on left hand. She rides water buffalo as vehicle.

Saturday angel is Mohurea Tevy wears a hairpin of Trokeat flower. She favors on deer meat. Her weapons are a disc and a trident. She rides a peacock.

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<mark>មាឃបូជា៖</mark> ថ្ងៃចន្ទ១៥កើតខែមាឃ ព.ស.৮៥៥៦ ត្រូវនឹងថ្ងៃទី ៤៥ខែកុម្ភៈឆ្នាំ២០១៣។

<mark>វិសាខបូជា៖</mark> ថ្ងៃសុក្រ១៥កើតខែវិសាខ ព.ស.៦៥៥៦ ត្រវនឹងថ្ងៃ ទី៤៤ឧសភាឆ្នាំ២០១៣។

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<mark>ថ្ងៃបុណ្យភ្ជុំចិណ្ត៖</mark> ថ្ងៃសុក្រុ១៥រោជខែកទ្រុបទ ព.ស.৮៥៥៧ ត្រូវនឹងថ្ងៃទី៤តុលាឆ្នាំ២០១៣ (ថ្ងៃទី៣,៤,៥ខែតុលា)។ <mark>ថ្ងៃចេញវស្សា៖</mark> ថ្ងៃសៅខែ៥រោជខែអស្សជ ព.ស.២៥៥៧ ត្រូវ នឹងថ្ងៃទី១៩តុលាឆ្នាំ២០១៣។

<mark>ថ្ងៃព្រះរាជពិធីបុណ្យអុំទូក៖</mark> ថ្ងៃអាទិត្យ១៥កើតខែកត្តិក ព. ស.៦៥៥៧ ត្រូវនឹងថ្ងៃទី១៧វិច្ចកាថ្នាំ២០១៣ (ថ្ងៃ១៦,១៧,១៨ ខែវិច្ឆកា)។

ដោយឯកឧត្តម អឹម បុរិន្ទ នាយកនៃគណៈកម្មការស្រាវជ្រាវវិជ្ជាហោរាសាស្ត្រ និងប្រពៃណីទំនៀមទម្លាប់ខ្មែរ។

MOHA SANGKRAN មហាសម្រ្គាន្ត

Moha Sangkran is an order of which the New Year is observed according to the Buddhist belief. It varies slightly from year to year because of different year, different guardian angel. One of the Kabel Moha Prum's daughter, taking turn carrying his head according to the Cambodian New Year legend.

Day 1 - Maha Songkran

Moha Songkran, derived from Sanskrit Maha Sankranti, is the name of the first day of the New Year celebration. It is the ending of the year and the beginning of a new one. People dress up and light candles and burn incense sticks at shrines, where the members of each family pay homage to offer thanks for the Buddha's teachings by bowing, kneeling and prostrating themselves three times before his image. For good luck people wash their face with holy water in the morning, their chests at noon, and their feet in the evening before they go to bed. It is also the entry into the New Year. At the Buddhist temple and at home, Cambodian people gather for a special reception for the arrival of Tevada signalled by the sound of the drum or bell. Throughout the day, people participate in ceremonies of games. One of the activities is building small sand mountains symbolizing the file-peak summit of Mount Meru. Mount Meru is the mythical Hindu mountain that is considered to be the centre of the universe and home of the Gods, and is also symbolized by the architecture of Angkor Wat. Each piece of sand that is added to the mountains is believed to produce more health and happiness in people's lives. During Maha Sahgrant, people also bring food for the monks and pray with them.

Day 2 - Virak Wanabat

Virak Wanabat is the name of the second day of the new year celebration. People contribute charity to the less fortunate by helping the poor, servants, homeless, and low-income families. Families attend a dedication ceremony to their ancestors at the monastery. It is also time for more praying. This day is the day to show consideration to the elders. Children give gifts to the parents, grandparents and teachers out of respect. It is also time to serve. Cambodians offer charity to less fortunate, participate in service activities, and forgive others for misdeeds that may have been done to them. The people continue to add to their sand mountains.

Day 3 - Virak Leung Sak

Leung Sak day is the name of the third day of the New Year celebration. Buddhists cleanse the Buddha statues and their elders with perfumed water. Bathing the Buddha images is the symbol that water will be needed for all kinds of plants and lives. It is also thought to be a kind deed that will bring longevity, good luck, happiness and prosperity in life. By bathing their grandparents and parents, children can obtain from them best wishes and good advice for the future. On this final day, the monks bless a sand mountain. This is also the day for the cleansing of Buddha statues. The people wash their Buddha statues Sraung Preah with perfume water. At home, children give bath to their parents. This is thought to be the kind deed that will bring good luck, long life, happiness and progress. The bathing also symbolizes hope for sufficient rainfall for the rice harvest. At this final day, the Cambodian people and government offer a special memory service for memory of fallen compatriots who defend of the country.

ឆ្លាំម្សាញ់ មញ្ជស័ត

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នឹងគណនាខ្នាំ**ម្សាញ់** ឥឡូវនេះសក្ត្រានចូលមកនៅថ្ងៃអាទិត្យ៤កើតខែចែត្រត្រូវនិងថ្ងៃទី១៤ខែមេសាគ.ស៦០១៣ វេលាម៉ោង៤និង១៤ នាទីរំលង់អាធ្រាត។ ពេលនោះព្រះអាទិត្យចេញពីមីនរាសីទៅបិតនៅឯមេសរាសីតាមផ្ទូវគោវិថីគឺ ផ្ទូវកណ្តាល ទើបមានទេវធីតាមួយព្រះ អង្គជាមគ្គនាយិកា ព្រះនាម **ធុង្សៈទេវី** ជាបុត្រីទីមួយនៃកបិលមហាព្រហ្ម គង់នៅចាតុម្មហារាជិកា ទ្រង់អម្ពរព៌ណ**ក្រហម** លម្អនៅព្រះកាណ៌ ដោយសៀតផ្កា**ទទីម** អករណទ្រង់ពាក់**កែវ បទុមរាគ** កក្សាហារទ្រង់សោយផ្ទែ**ឧទុម្ពរ** ព្រះហស្តស្តាំទ្រង់ក**ង់ចក្រ** ព្រះសហ្គធ្វេងទ្រង់<mark>ស័ង្</mark>ខ ទ្រង់ផ្ទំបិតព្រះនេត្រលើខ្នង់**ត្រុឌ** (សត្វសសេះ) ជាពាហនៈ។ ទើបនាំអស់ទេវបុត្រទេវធីតាទាំងមួយមឺនសែនកោដិហោះទៅកាន់គុហាកែវធម្ម មាលី នាទីភ្នំកែលាសខេត្តហិមពាន្ត ជាទីតម្កល់ព្រះសិរជាទីតម្កល់ព្រះសិរ**សាកបិលមហាព្រហ្ម** ដែលកម្កល់នៅលើពានមាស នាំមកដង្លែ

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- ថ្ងៃអាទិត្យ៤កើតខែចែត្រ ត្រូវនឹងថ្ងៃទី១៤ខែមេសា គ.ស ២០១៣ វេលាម៉ោង២និង១២រំលង់អាធ្រាត ជាថ្ងៃចូល**គ្នាំម្សាញ់បញ្ចស័ក**ៗ
- ថ្ងៃចន្ទ៥កើតចេត្រ ត្រូវនឹងថ្ងៃទី១៥ខែមេសា គ.ស. ២០១៣ ជា**វារ:វន័បត**។
- ថ្ងៃអង្គារ៦កើតចេត្រ ត្រូវនីជថ្ងៃទី១៦ខែមេសា គ.ស. ៦០១៣ នៅវេលាម៉ោជ ០៥ និជ ៥៦នាទី ៦៤ វិនាទី ជា**វារៈឡើជស័ក** គម្រប់ជាស ង្គ្រានបីថ្ងៃ ស្រេចបរិបូណ៌ចូលជាសកល ឆ្នាំម្សាញ់បញ្ចស័ក ចុល្ចសករាជ ១៣៧៥ និជមហាសករាជ ១៩៣៥ តទៅ។ ក្នុងឧកាសសង្គ្រាន្តទាំងបីថ្ងៃ សូមអស់ប្រជាពលរដ្ធប្រុសស្រីផងទាំងឡាយរៀបចំពលិការគ្រឿងសក្ការបូជា អុចប្រទីបជ្វាលា ថ្វាយព្រះរតន ត្រ័យ និជទទួលស្វាគមន៍ទេវបុត្រទេវជីតាឆ្នាំថ្មី ហើយខំប្រឹងលះបង់ចិត្តអាក្រក់អន្យតិរ្ត័យ ជាចិត្រអប្រីយជាប់ដោយគំនុំគុំគួនព្យាបាទ ឈ្នានីស ដែលកើតមានក្នុងឆ្នាំចាស់អោយជ្រះស្រឡះ តាំងចិត្តប្រព្រឹត្តល្អ ប្រកបដោយ **មេត្តា ករុណា មុទិតា ឧបេក្ខា** និង **បញ្ញា** ធ្វើបុណ្យ សុន្ទរ៍ទានតាមប្រពៃណី រក្សាសីលច្រាំអោយបានជាប់ជានិច្ច នោះទើពទេវតានឹងអោយពរសព្ទសាជុកា លោកអ្នកនឹងមានសិរីសួស្តី សុភ មង្គលវិបុលសុខគ្រប់ប្រការតាំងពីឆ្នាំថ្មីនេះតរៀងទៅ។

រណ្ណាមនន្ទរបន្ទេនា

រណ្តាប់ទទួលទេវតាតាមទំនៀមពីបុរាណជៀងរហូតមក ត្រូវជៀបរានទទួលទេវតានៅខាងមុខផ្ទះមួយសំរាប់តាំងគ្រឿងពលីការផ្សេងៗ។ ត្រូវ
រាបក្រាលសំពត់ពណ៌ស ហើយរៀបចំនូវគ្រឿងសក្ការបូជាទេវតា មានជាអាទិ៍បាយសី៩ថ្នាក់មួយគូ បាយសី៧ថ្នាក់មួយគូ (សម្រាប់នៅព្រះ
បរមរាជវាំង) សម្រាប់គ្រួសារធម្មតា បាយសី៥ថ្នាក់មួយគូ បាយសី៣ថ្នាក់មួយគូ បាយសីឆាមមួយគូ ស្គាធម៌មួយគូរ ទឹកអប់មួយគូរ ទៀន៥
ធ្វប៥ លាច៥ ផ្កា៥ដាក់លើជើងពានមួយគូ ចេកនួន ចេកណាំរ៉ាជើងពានមួយគូ ផ្លែឈើ១១មុខ (៣ឬ៥មុខជាការធម្មតាសម្រាប់ប្រជារាស្ត្រ)
រៀបដាក់ជើងពាន១១គូ ដូងឡៅមួយគូ ទឹកស្អាតពីរកែវ។ ឆ្នាំនេះគូររកផ្លែឧទម្ពរ ផ្លែល្វាម៉ង់ ដាក់ទទួលទេវតាផង ព្រោះជាភាក្សាហាររបស់
ទេវធីតា។ ស្រេចហើយនៅវាលាម៉ោងដែលទេវតាចុះមក ត្រូវជួបប្រជុំក្រុមគ្រួសារដើម្បីថ្វាយបង្គំព្រះ នមសការព្រះរតនៈត្រ័យ សមាទាន
សីល ហើយតាំងចិត្តអោយបានស្អាតបរិសុទ្ធ ជ្រះស្រឡះនូវមន្ទិលទាំងពួង តម្កល់ចិត្តរំពឹងគិតទៅលើ ព្រះពុទ្ធ ព្រះធម៌ ព្រះសង្ឃ ជាទីរំពឹង
ទីវព្ភកលុះចប់ពិធីទទួលទេវតា។

Mak theung in a snapshot ទៀចទាំង់ខិច

We do not know who wrote the story and when it happened. It appears the story is being passed on from generation to generation by word of mouth. We have attempted to contact several institutions for more information, but were unsuccessful. For our show, we based the story on a DVD production by Hang Meas in 2001. The show is purely a musical entertainment

The Story of Mak Theung in a Snapshot

Mak Theung is a Cambodian 18th century love story torn apart by a cruel act of a mean prince, Pya Noy. It is a love between a peddler, Mak Theung, selling costmetic products and his younger wife, Meuy Cheuy. They lived happily in the village surrounded by many good friends. One day, the prince and his entourage visited the market place in the rural country where Mak Theung and Meuy Cheuy sells their beauty product in a booth nearby. Meuy Cheuy is a very beautiful young woman. Her beauty caught the prince Pya Noy's eyes. He then developed a desire to have Meuy Cheuy as one of his concubines. He ordered his guards to find out about her. The guards reported back to prince Pya Noy that Meuy Cheuy was already married to an older man. Thinking that Meuy Cheuy had no future with a poor older man, he attempted to lure her into loving him. Meuy Cheuy refused as she was deeply in love with her husband Mak Theung. Realizing that he could not convince Meuy Cheuy to love him, Pya Noy ordered his guards to kidnap her.

The kidnapping by prince Pya Noy caused an uprising as people saw unjustice and demanded the king to release her. The prince tried to convince his father that he and Meuy Cheuy fell in love and there was no coercive act. He also threatened to kill Meuy Cheuy if she told the king the truth.

Perplexing about the truth of the situation, the king ordered a chief justice to hold a people court hearing. The chief justice arranged three trips in which Mak Theung, Meuy Cheuy and prince Pya Noy took part.

In the first trip, Mak Theung and Meuy Cheuy travelled together. Because of his true love with his wife, Mak Theung felt so concerned of Meuy Cheuy carrying the heavy drum. He moved the drum closer to his side so that the drum weight would be heavier on his side and lighter on his wife's side. He told his wife that he had been feeling very sad knowing that she was unfaithful to him. Meuy Cheuy cried helplessly and tried to convince her husband that she still loved him and that what she did was not on purpose because she was afraid of being killed. The eavesdropper reported everything she heard to the chief justice.

In the second trip, prince Pya Noy and Meuy Cheuy travelled together. The prince did not show his concern about Meuy Cheuy carried the heavy drum. He kept the drum in the middle of the carrying stick. He did not care how heavy it was on Meuy Cheuy's side. Not only that, Prince Pya Noy affirmed his threat to Meuy Cheuy that if she ever told the truth he will kill her with his sword. The eavesdropper reported everything she heard to the chief justice.

In the third trip, prince Pya Noy and Mak Theung travelled together. Prince Pya Noy told Mak Theung that he is a poor old man that does not deserve a love from a beauty like Meuy Cheuy. He said he has power and status as high as a mountain top and Mak Theung social status as low as a worm beneath the ground. Mak Theung humbly replied that he knows he is poor and his social status is low, as low as grass, but he is honest and that he has not done any cruel act. He pointed out that Prince Pya Noy belongs to an elite status as high as the mountain top, but he had destroyed the happiness of innocent people, therefore the prince is worst than an animal. Mak Theung also reminded the prince that the grass is always higher than the mountain top. Those got the prince even madder. The eavesdropper reported everything she heard to the chief justice.

The chief justice then reported to the king what had happened. The king punished his son and returned Meuy Cheuy to her husband, Mak Theung. Tragically, Meuy Cheuy, unable to live with the guilt of her infidelity, committed suicide.

Mak Theung Performance

We selected several scenes of the Mak Theung musical drama produced by Hang Meas to be our show. These scenes are meant to be both entertaining and educational. The fundamental values from the show are as follow:

- ♦ Love has no barrier
- ♦ Love cannot be bought
- Truth is found via a smart approach

Sequence of Events

Our show will be tailored around the above theme:

♦ The livelihood of Cambodian Royal Court

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- The livelihood of Cambodian Market
- The market visit of Prince Pya Noy
- The attempt to lure love
- The attempt to buy love
- ♦ The love is stolen
- The smart way of administering justice.

Scenes

Scene 1: Homrong

In any Cambodian show, it usually preludes with a scene of Homrong. It is a ritual of blessing and praying to dancing gods and our ancestors for flawless performances. Cambodian American Heritage, Inc. (CAHI) will perform the scene.

Scene 2: Lives at Royal Court

During the Khmer New Year 2013 celebration, this is about a parade of royal families to the palace where the King (do not know what his name) and his son Pya Noy perform a New Year feast. This is to introduce Prince Pya Noy, one of the main characters in the show. The scene mainly consists of:

- a praying ritual, symbolizing reception of new angel Thungsak Tevi;
- a honoring Grand Master of martial art followed by a demonstration Bokoto
- a peacock dance

Scene 3: the livelihood of Cambodian rural market

The scene is about Mak Theung and Meuy Cheuy are peddling cosmetic products, followed by a dancing scene. The dancing is a masterpiece developed for CCD 2006 by Master Sichan Ouk. Mr. Socheata Ung is the Master of the Mak Theung show of Khmer New year 2013.

The dance will be in pair dancing crossing the stage. Then each couples present what they are selling according the music rhythm and lyric. They are:

- 1. Couple selling flowers
- 2. Coupe selling cakes
- 3. Couple selling clothes, silks, Holl, Pha Moung
- 4. Couple selling traditional medicines
- 5. Couple selling fishes
- 6. Couple selling vegetables
- 7. Mak Theung & Meuy Cheuy selling cosmetics

Scene 4: the visit of Prince Pva Nov

The performance is on and in front of the stage. Prince Pya Noy, his male entourage, his general and soldiers are visiting the market place. Prince falls in love with Meuy Cheuy, Mak Theung's wife, at first sight.

Scene 5: the attempt to lure Meuy Cheuy

The performance is on stage. Prince Pya Noy sends his general to call for Meuy Cheuy to see him. The prince attempts to lure Meuy Cheuy into loving him. She refuses.

Scene 6: the attempt to buy love

The performance is on stage. Knowing that Meuy Cheuy will not fall for him, Prince Pya Noy sends his general to call for Mak Theung to see him. The prince asks Mak Theung to exchange his wife with large sum of money and jewelry, anything he wants. Mak Theung refuses.

We will conclude our presentation to scene 6 for this New Year. However for the Cambodian Community Day Festival, we will perform the complete story. Please join us on September 22nd, 2013 at Ben Brenman Park, Alexandria, Virginia. You can read more about Cambodian Community Day festival on page 11 or visit our website at www.CambodianCommunityDay.org.

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នាងខ្លួចនេះ

ស. ទឹកអប់អឺយ ទឹកអប់ ប្រេង៍មេ្សា

(បន្ទរ) ថ្ងៃងពីម៉ាក់ថឹង ពីរនាក់នឹងករិយា អឺអឺយ ថ្ងៃងពីម៉ាក់ថឹង ពីរនាក់នឹងករិយា អឺអឺយ គេតែងនាំគ្នា ដើរលក់ ឱ្!ប្រេងម្សៅ អឺអឺយ គេតែង នាំគ្នា ដើរលក់ ឱ្!ប្រេងម្សៅ។

- ស. ឱ្យអស់លោកអើយ អញ្ចើញ ជាវប្រេងម្សៅ (បន្ទរ) អឺអឺយ ឱ្យអស់លោកអើយ អញ្ចើញ ជាវប្រេងម្សៅ
- ស. អស់លោកលាបទៅ ថ្កើងយស ខ្ពស់សក្ដា (បន្ទរ) អស់លោកលាបទៅ ថ្កើងយស ខ្ពស់សក្ដា។
- ស. មានសព្វប្រេងម្សៅ ក្រុមួន អប់ខ្ញុំនផ្តា (បន្ទរ) អឺអឺយ មានសព្វប្រេងម្សៅ ក្រុមួន អប់ខ្ញុំនផ្តា
- ស. តាមចិត្តប្រាថ្នា ក្និនពណ៌ ល្ង។ប្ងែក (បន្ទរ) តាមចិត្តប្រាថ្នា ក្និនពណ៌ ល្ង។ប្ងែក។
- ប. សំឡេងស្រួយស្រេស អូនចេះច្រៀងសំនៀងឯក អឺអឺយ (ពីរដង) រូបល្អគាប់ភ្នែក កក្រុស្រស់ ឱ្យបឹមប្រីយអឺយ (បន្ទរ) រូបល្អគាប់ភ្នែក កក្រុស្រស់ ឱ្!ប្រឹមប្រីយអឺយ។
- ប. សំពត់ល្អប្អែក សមនឹងអាវទេសឯកថ្មីអឺយ (ពីរដង៍)

ប&ស. ដើរលក់នឹងប្ដី សមគ្នាឱ្យអស្ចារ្យអឺយ (បន្ទរ) ដើរលក់នឹងប្ដី សមគ្នាឱ្យអស្ចារ្យអឺយ។ (បន្ទរ) ថ្ងៃងពីម៉ាក់ថឺង ពីរនាក់នឹងករិយា អឺអឺយ ថ្ងៃងពីម៉ាក់ថឺង ពីរនាក់នឹងករិយា អឺអឺយ គេតែងនាំគ្នា ដើរលក់ ឱ្យប្រេងម្សៅ អឺអឺយ គេតែង នាំគ្នា ដើរលក់ ឱ្យប្រេងម្សោ។

នាគនិច

និន្នភាពភូខផ្សារ

- ស. អ្នកអើយបានអ្វី មកលក់ខ្លះ មកលក់ខ្លះ ខ្ញុំប៉ះលើផ្កា ទើបឱ!រីកថ្មី ម៉្វះរួតម្ងិះលា ផ្កាអើយនួនស្រី ចំប៉ាចំប៉ី ផ្កាចន្វ (បន្ទរ) អាអឺយ អឺអឺអឺង៍អឺយ ខារម៉ៃ ឱ!អ្នកអឺយ។
- ស. ខ្ញុំមានបាក់បិន វោយសង់ខ្យា វោយសង់ខ្យា បាក់ខែងមង្ខា លតឱគ្រៅកូរ អន្សមក្រពង៍ល្មុត ឱាជម្ពូ សាគូដូងចេកក្រចអំពៅ (បន្ទា) អាអីយ អឺអឺអឺងំអឺយ ខារម៉ៃ ឱ្យអ្នកអឺយ។
- ប. ផាឌឹបផាមួង ហូលល្បើកថ្មី ហូលល្បើកថ្មី ទេសឯកព្រែកី មានអឺយសខ្មៅ ចរបាប់ខៀនស្ងាត់ ពណ៌ឱ!ច្រាលគ្នៅ ទិញទៅប្រើប្រាស់ ជាប់កន្ទង៍ (បន្ទរ) អាអឺយ អឺអឺអឺង៍អឺយ ខារម៉ៃ ឱ!អ្នកអឺយ (ត...)

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- ប. ឯខ្ញុំអ្នកភ្នំ មានឱសថ មានឱសថ ភ្នុកចែវល្វិព័ទ្ធ ក្ដួចឱ!ក្ដាតប្រង់ ព្យាបាលពាគជា តាមឱ!ចិត្តប៉ង់ ដាំហូបតែម្ដង ពាគជាធេង (បន្ទរ) អាអឺយ អឺអឺងឺងអឺយ ១រម៉ៃ ឱ!អ្នកអឺយ។
- រួម. លុះចិត្តភ្លឺស្វាង៍បន្ទៀង៍ជាក់ បន្ទៀង៍ជាក់ តែងតួស្វៀកពាក់កង់ឱ្!កំកង់ និគមន៍សមគ្នាល្អឱ្យឥតម៉ង់ ចរចេញត្រសង់ ហើយដើរទៅ (បន្ទវ) អាអឺយ អឺអឺអឺង៍អឺយ ១១ ម៉ៃ ឱ្យអ្នកអឺយ។
- ប. អណ្តែងផ្ទោងផ្ទក់ កញ្ចុះក្រាញ់ កញ្ចុះក្រាញ់ ព្រួលប្រារៀលលិញ ដៀបរ៉ស់សណ្តាយ ត្រីពោធិក្អែកស្ពិននិងត្រីក្វាំងហាយ ក្រឹម ក្រាយគ្រុំក្រុស សព្វសាច់ត្រី (បន្ទូរ) អាអឺយ អឺអឺអឺងអឺយ ១រៈម៉ៃ ឱ្!អ្នកអឺយ។
- ស. ត្រសក់ឃ្វោកល្ពៅ ននោងត្រប់ ននោងត្រប់ មានគ្រប់គ្រឿងជីវ ល្មៀតស្វឹកគ្រៃរំដេង ស្ពៃខៀវស្ពៃសណ្តែកួរវែង ត្រកួនឱីឡឹក ត្រឡាចស្វាយ (បន្ទរ) អាអឺយ អឺអឺអឺងអឺយ ១ាវម៉ៃ ឱ្!អ្នកអឺយ។
- ស. ចំណែកខាង់ខ្ញុំ មានប្រេងម្សៅ មានប្រេងម្សៅ លាបគ្រប់គ្នាទៅ កើតសុខសួស្តី លាបបានទាំងក្មេងចាស់ ឱ្!ប្រុសស្រី ចាំអីអញ្ជើញ តាមត្រូវការ (បន្ទរ) អាអឺយ អឺអឺអឺងំអឺយ ខារម៉ៃ

ជប៉ូរមាន ដំបំរង

- ១. នៃវើយពួកឯង ទាំងអស់គ្នា រូតរះម្មីម្នា បោសសំអាតផ្សារ (បន្ទរ) នៃវើយពួកឯង ទាំងអស់គ្នា រូតរះម្មីម្នា បោសសំអាតផ្សារ ព្រះអង្គព្យ៉ាណយ អើយរាជបុត្រា យាងក្រុសាលផ្សារ តាមហឫទ័យ។
- b. បើមានភក់ជ្រាំ ដក់ខាងមុខ ឆាប់កាយកប់លប់ រួចបង្គាប់ដី *(បន្ទរ) បើមានភក់ជ្រាំ ដក់ខាងមុខ ឆាប់កាយកប់លប់ រួចបង្គាប់ដី* អ្នកលក់បន្ទែ ជីវម្ទេសស្លឹកគ្រៃ ថយអោយឆ្ងាយវ៉ី កុំនៅទើសមុខ។
- (បន្ទរ) កនយើងអឺយទាំងអស់គ្នា រុតរះម្មីម្នា បោសសំអាតផ្សារ (ពីរដង់) ព្រះអង្គព្យ៉ាណយ អើយរាជបុត្រា យាងក្រសាលផ្សារ តាមហឫទ័យ។
- ញ. អ្នកលក់ត្រីផ្អក ត្រីងាប់ស្អុយ ត្រីគ្នាបត្រីប្រៃ និងត្រីប្រហុក *(បន្ទ1) អ្នកលក់ត្រីផ្អក ត្រីងាប់ស្អុយ ត្រីគ្នាបត្រីប្រែ និងត្រីប្រហុក* ឆាប់រើថយក្រោយ អឺយហើយគ្របទុក កុំអោយទើសមុខ អង្គក្សត្រា។
- ៤. បើស្ដាប់ឮហើយ ត្រូវប្រញាប់ រៀបរយអោយនាប់ កុំអោយយូរការ (បន្ទវ) បើស្ដាប់ឮហើយ ត្រូវប្រញាប់ រៀបរយអោយនាប់ កុំ អោយ យូរការ ស្ដេចយាងមកទត អឺយមិនធម្មតា ជើយាអ្នកផ្សារ ប្រយ័ត្នសំដី។ (បន្ទវ) កនយើងអឺយទាំងអស់គ្នា រូតរះម្នីម្នា បោសសំអាតផ្សារ (ពីរដង់) ព្រះអង្គព្យ៉ាណយ អើយរាជបុត្រា យាងក្រសាលផ្សារ តាមហឫទ័យ។

ទុំខានខ្ពុំខេត្តខ

បន្ទរ. ដូងដែទេពការដែកង ពេញចិត្តចាំចង់ នៅតែរលឹក រាល់ពេលយប់ថ្ងៃ នៅតែនឹក រាល់ល្ងាចយប់ព្រឹក រលឹកដែកង។
ប. កុលាបមាសដុះ អឺយនៅសួគ៌ា ជីវាមកដុះ ក្នុងកក់ព្រាំ យកបង់ធ្វើប្ដី អឺយទើបសក្ដសម ឈប់ខំលក់ដូរ ថោកទាបទៅ។
ស. សូមព្រះករុណា អឺយព្រេសប្រណី ដល់ខ្ញុំម្ចាស់ស្រី ដែលល្ងង់ខ្វៅ កុំធ្វើដូច្នេះ សូមថយចេញទៅ ក្រែងគេដៀលផៅ អឺយដូចតិរច្ឆាន។
ប. បង់បានឃើញស្រី កាមកញ្ច្រោល ដុតពេលរូបបង់ ណាក់ល្យាណ ស្រឡាញ់អូនណាស់ អឺយទ្រាំពុំបាន កល្យាណស្រឡាញ់ អឺយបង់

ស. សូមព្រះករុណា មេត្តាប្រោស សន្តោសដល់ខ្ញុំ ម្ចាស់ល្ងង់ខ្វៅ មិនមែនទំនេរ អឺយទេចោមច្វៅ ខ្ញុំត្រូវជាប្រពន្ធ គេទៅហើយ។ បន្ទរ. ដូងដែទេពការដែកង ពេញចិត្តចាំចង់ នៅតែរលឹក រាល់ពេលយប់ថ្ងៃ នៅតែនឹក រាល់ល្ងាចយប់ព្រឹក រលឹកដែកឯ។ ប. ស្អាតអើយ!ស្អាតស្រស់ ស្រស់ស្រួលស្រើប បំណាច់ចំពើប ស្រស់ត្រាណត្រើយ ស្រឡាញ់បង់ចុះ អឺយមិនខុសឡើយ អំបូរនេះហើយ ស្ដេចត្រាញ់ផែនដី។

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ប. អំណាចបុត្រស្ដេច អឺយត្រាញ់ដែនដី ធ្វើអ្វីសឡៅ ត្រូវឥតខុស សម្បត្តិច្រើនណាស់ អឺយអូនជឿចុះ ស្នេហ៍ប្រុសនាងបាន អឺយខ្ពស់ផុតស្រី។

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- ព. អើត្រាម៉ាក់ថឺងមកដល់ហើយអឺយ *(បន្ទរ) អាំអាំអឺង៍អើយ*! តាអើយតើតា អឺយចង់បានអ្វី? យើងដូរប្រពន្ធ អឺយតាថ្មោងថ្មី តាចង់បានអ្វី អឺយ ថាមកចុះ *(បន្ទរ) ហាអាំអាំអឺង៍អើយ*! អឺយ!អាំំ*អឺង៍អើយ*។
- ម. សូមល្អង៍ធូលីព្រោសករុណាអឺយ *(បន្ទវ) អ៊ីអើអើងអើយ*! បើជានំនែក អាចធ្វើដូច្នោះ តែនេះប្រពន្ធ អឺយពុំគួរសោះ ខ្ញុំស្រឡាញ់ស្មោះ អឺយ លុះក្សិណក្ស័យ *(បន្ទវ) ហាអឺអើអើងអើយ*! អឺយ*!អឺអើងអើយ*។
- ព. នៃតា!ចូរតាគិតអោយច្បាស់អឺយ *(បន្ទ1) អឺអើអឺជីអើយ*! តាចាស់ខ្លួនក្រ អឺយកុំគិតខ្លី មាសពេជកែវកង អឺយមានតម្ងៃ ខ្វល់អ្វីយកទៅ អឺយ ការប្រពន្ធ។ *(បន្ទ1) ហាអឺអើអឺជ៍អើយ*! អឺយ*អើអឺជ៍អើយ។*
- ម. មិនអាចទៅរួចទេករុណាអឺយ*(បន្ទ1) អ៊ីអ៊ីអីងអែីយ*! មេត្តាសន្តោស អឺយទោះក្សត់ធន សំខាន់ចេះទ្រាំ កិច្ចការស្រាលធ្ងន់ វែកពុនហត់ កាយ អឺយតែស្រួលចិត្ត *(បន្ទ1) ហាអ៊ីអ៊ីអីងអែីយ*! អឺយ*អើអើវអើយ។*
- ព. យើងបុត្រស្ដេចត្រាញ់ស្គាល់ទេតាអឺយ*(បន្ទរ) អឺអើអឺង៍អើយ*! យកទៅណាតា អឺយយើងអាណិត កុំអោយយើងខឹង អឺយប្រែប្រួលចិត្ត កុំ គិតប្រទូស អឺយនាំវំខាន *(បន្ទរ) ហាអឺអើអឹង៍អើយ*! អឺយ*អើអឹង៍អើយ*។
- ម. បពិត្រក្សតថ្ងៃអង្គបុត្រាអឺយ *(បន្ទវ) អ៊ីអ៊ើអឺឌី!អឺយ*! ករុណាមិនហ៊ាន អឺយទ្រុស្តសាមាន្យ តែរឿងប្រពន្ធ អឺយប្តូរមិនបាន សូមទ្រង់់ប្រទាន អឺយដោយប្រុណី *(បន្ទវ) ហាអ៊ីអឺអឺង៍!អឺយ*! អឺយ!*អឺង៍!អឺយ*។
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- ម. បើបង់ប្រពន្ធទីស្នេហាអឺយ *(បន្ទា) អាឺអាឺអឺង៍អើយ*! សូមទ្រង់់ខ័នថ្លា អឺយអារដៃយើង ពុះទ្រូងរូងពោះ អឺយបោះក្នុងភ្លើង ចង់គ្កាងសម្ងាប់ ទូលបង្គំចុះ *(បន្ទា) ហាអឺអាឺអឺង៍អើយ*! អឺយ*!អាឺអឺង៍អើយ។*

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Sky Phenomenon 2013 បា្រកុត្តតលើតែ្វមេឃ

There are two solar eclipses and three lunar eclipses in 2013.

1. Partial Luna Eclipse of April 25

ចន្ទគ្រាសជាអឌ្ឍគ្រាសនៅរាត្រីថ្ងៃព្រហស្ព៏១៥កើតខែចែត្រឆ្នាំម្សាញ់ មើលឃើញនៅអ៊ឺរ៉ុប អាហ្រីកា អូស្ត្រាលី អាស៊ី។ កម្ពុជាមើលឃើញនៅ

ម៉ោង២៖៥១នាទី ហើយចប់នៅម៉ោង៣៖២៥នាទី គ្រាន់តែជាស្រមោលក្រហម។

The first lunar eclipse of 2013 occurs at the Moon's ascending node in southern Virgo. It lasts less than 27 minutes and is visible primarily from the Eastern Hemisphere: eastern Europe or Africa, central Asia or western Australia. Eastern parts of South America will experience moonrise with the eclipse already in progress. It is not visible from North America.

ម៉ោង៤៖២៦ដល់ម៉ោង១០៖២៦។ នៅប្រទេសកម្ពុជាមើលអត់ឃើញទេ។

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2. Annular Solar Eclipse of May 10

សូរ្យគ្រាសជាចិញ្ចៀននៅថ្ងៃសុក្រ១កើតខែពិសាខឆ្នាំម្សាញ់ មើលឃើញនៅអូស្ត្រាលី នូវែលហ្សេឡង់ សូលូមុង បាស៊ីហ្វឹកណ្តាល ចាប់ផ្តើមពី

ម៉ោង៤៖២៦ដល់ម៉ោង១០៖២៦។ នៅប្រទេសកម្ពុជាមើលអត់ឃើញទេ។

The first solar eclipse of 2013 occurs at the Moon's descending node in eastern Ares. It is visible in Australia, New Zealand, eastern Papua New Guinea, the Solomon Islands and the Gilbert Islands.

3. Penumbral Lunar Eclipse of May 25

ចន្ទគ្រាសនៅថ្ងៃសៅរ៍១រោជខែពិសាខឆ្នាំម្បាញ់ ចាប់ផ្តើមពីម៉ោង១០៖៤៣ទៅដល់ម៉ោង១១៖៣៨។ នៅប្រទេសកម្ពុជាមើលអត់ឃើញទេ។

The second lunar eclipse of the year again occurs at the Moon's ascending node in Scorpius. It is such a shallow eclipse that is only of an academic interest since it will be all but impossible to detect.

4. Penumbral Lunar Eclipse of October 18

ចន្ទគ្រាសនៅថ្ងៃសៅរ៍១កើតខែអស្សជន្នាំម្សាញ់ មើលឃើញនៅអាមេរីក កាណាដា អ៊ឺរ៉ុប អាហ្វ្រីកា។ នៅប្រទេសកម្ពុជាមើលអត់ឃើញទេ។

The last lunar eclipse of the year is a relatively deep penumbral eclipse with a magnitude of 0.7649. It should be easily visible to the naked eye as a dusky shading in the southern half of the Moon. Eastern Canada will see the entire event. The rest of Canada and the USA will see moonrise with the eclipse already in progress. It is also entirely visible in Europe and Africa.

5. Total Solar Eclipse of November 3

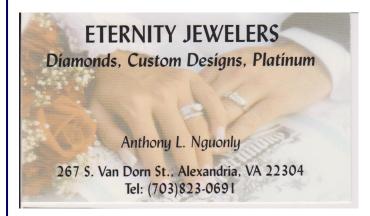
សូរ្យគ្រាសនៅថ្ងៃអាទិត្យ១កើតខែកក្តិកឆ្នាំម្សាញ់ មើលឃើញនៅអាមេរិកខាងជើងនិងខាងត្បូង អាហ្វ្រីកា។ នៅកម្ពុជាមើលអត់ឃើញទេ។

It is a rare hybrid or total eclipses in which some sections of the path are annular while other parts are total. It is visible in North Atlantic and equatorial Africa, North America, northern South America, southern Europe, the Middle East and Africa.



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BUDDHISM AND MANNER CLASS

Teachings of Buddhism and Cambodian manner are introduced to young students who want to learn. Buddhism class covers topics including main beliefs, moral conduct, relationships with parents, with teachers, with each other, with employers, concept of Karma, impermanent life, noself life, Buddhist service, etc. It also includes principle and practice of basic meditation and chanting. Cambodian manner class covers topics like how to sit, how to greet different people, how to speak to different people, how to light candles and incenses, etc.



Cambodian Buddhist society cultural committee



The Cambodian Buddhist Society Culture Committee (CBSCC) was organized in 1989 under the sponsorship of the Cambodian Buddhist Society (CBS), Inc. CBS operates a temple in Silver Spring which serves as a place of worship as well as a community gathering center for Cambodians in the Metropolitan Washington area.

CBSCC focuses on educating Washington-area residents on the Cambodian language and traditional arts. CBSCC preserves and passes on the unique, beautiful traditions that characterize Cambodian culture, which were developed by generations of Cambodian artists. The CBSCC art program was founded by Mrs. Peou Khatna, master dancer and songstress of the Royal Palace School of Dance in Cambodia, with the support of Venerable Oung Mean Candavanno, leader of the Cambodian Buddhist Society, Inc.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

The cultural program is open every Sunday 10:30 AM - 4:00 PM to individuals interested in Cambodian language and arts. Over 50 students, ages five and up, enroll each year. The program is divided into the following classes:

Dharma – From 12:45-01:00 PM, the President of the CBS gives a Buddhist lesson. Students learn about the history and teachings of The Buddha.

Language – Students learn to read, write, and speak Khmer from 2:00-4:00 PM.

Dance – Students begin practice with stretches and then study the

fundamental techniques and movements of Khmer dance. After that they break up into groups to practice their dances for the New Year celebration. Each year, the New Year performance includes classical dances, children's versions of these dances, and folk dances.

Music – Students learn to play a traditional Khmer instrument of their choice and perform in the New Year's performance's music ensemble.

After a year of hard work and practice, the students perform at the Khmer New Year celebration, which draws approximately 5,000 community residents from the Washington metropolitan area and nearby.







Cambodian Buddhist society cultural committee

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PERFORMANCES

In addition to performing for the Khmer New Year celebration, CBSCC also proudly displays Khmer culture at other occasions sponsored by a variety of organizations. The following are some events and venues where CBSCC has performed:

Smithsonian Folklife Festivals 2008 Presidential Inauguration Day Kennedy Center Marriott's Cultural Appreciation Day Royal Cambodian Embassy National Institutes of Health Library of Congress Lotus Festival at Aquatic Gardens National Institutes of Health Magical Montgomery & Sunfest French Embassy Towson University



PARENT VOLUNTEERS



CBSCC is a volunteer-run organization, in which parents, students, and other volunteers are an integral part of its planning and operation. With a rotating

schedule, volunteers provide lunch for the students. This allows students and visitors to be exposed to Cambodian cuisines. Parents also assist with costume design and site maintenance. Other volunteers provide additional support as needed, e.g. designing program materials, applying for grants, and serving as photographers, sound mixers, or light technicians.

CBSCC programs are funded in part by:

- An operating grant from the Maryland State Arts Council, an agency dedicated to cultivating a vibrant cultural community where the arts thrive. And in by an award from the National Endowment for the Arts, which believes that a great nation deserves great art.
- The Montgomery County government and the Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery County.







The Trot Dance

The trot show represents the ancient time when population lived very close to wild animals such as deer, Tunsorng (wild cow), or peacock. There are a variety of stories in The Trot dance but CBSCC has selected this excerpt: The hunter attempts to kill the deer but other creatures, the giant, preay srey (banchees), and peacocks, try to protect the deer by leading it away from the hunter into the forest. Long ago, our ancestor believed that when wild animals entered the village we must catch and put powder and perfume on them and let them go back into forest but not kill them. Those released animals were expected to take away all the bad luck and leave the village residents with only good luck. Donations to build or restore temples or public buildings during the new year are believed to be the most effective way to bring good luck for the year to come.

Dance & music synopsis សេខភ្លីអត្ថាធិច្បាយសិល្បៈសទ្ខេម



๑-រហុំជូនពរ - រហុំជូនពរគឺជារហុំមួយដែលបង្ហាញនូវខត្តមតឹងត្រចះត្រចង់របស់នារីខ្មែរ។ សូមអោយផ្កាដែលបាច ដោយ សិល្បៈការនីយើងនៅក្នុងពេលរសៀលនេះជូននូវសុភមង្គលនិងសេចក្តីសុខចំរើនរុងរឿងគ្រប់ប្រការ ដល់ភ្ញៀវកិត្តិយសទាំង អស់ ដែលបានអញ្ជើញមកនៅក្នុងពេលនេះតរៀងទៅ។

Robam Choun Por (Blessing Dance) – This dance expresses the ideal quality of beauty in Khmer women. We would like to present our best wishes in this dance to all our guests. May the flowers tossed by our dancers bring you all everlasting happiness and prosperity.

Dancers (ត្អូសំដៃង៍) : Anna Mosher, Crystal Khoeun, Lina Roberts-Way, Margaret Sim, Sky Bloomer, Sophia Yuth, Tiffani Mey, Vickhickha Thach, Vinita Yoo, Viriya Yoo, Zyanne Seng

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Robam Makar (Dragon Dance) – This is an excerpt from the Moni Mekala dance, one of the most sacred of court dances as it includes the realm of the gods and the symbols of the four forces of nature: earth, wind, fire, and water. The story: Moni Mekala is the Goddess of Rain, Vera Chhun, the prince, and Ramasor, the giant. They share the same teacher to attain their greatest supernatural power. At the end of the study, the teacher put out 3 objects for the contest. Moni Mekala receives the powerful crystal ball, Vera Chhun, the sword, and Ramasor, the axe. Moni Mekala and Vera Chhun are happy with their teacher's decision and enjoy the dance with celestials representing water and land but Ramasor are unhappy and still attempt to grasp Moni Mekala's crystal ball. Each attempt results in thunder and lightning. This scene consists of 8 celestial dancers using fans as dance instruments to

Dance & music synopsis សេចគ្គីអគ្គាធិច្បាយសិល្បៈសច្ខេច

Dancers (ត្អូសំដៃង៍) Suejane Tan, Elizabeth Khorn, Annong Phann,. Tiffani K. Chung, Sophal Hoover, Lena Ou, Dinita Mani, Kaliyan Uong, Allysa Thao,. Amelia Itteliag

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Robam Sva Prathom (Basic Monkey Dance) – This dance provides a foundation of the Monkey character style dance. Male dancers learn and perfect basic choreography and movements incorporated in dances that involve the Monkey character. This dance promotes flexibility and strength and exhibits many humorous Monkey behaviors.

Dancers (ត្អូសំដែង) Aiden Seng, Alexandar Thao, Everest Bloomer, Ganbott Voey, Riley P. Chung,

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Pleng Pin Peat – (Classical Music Ensemble)

This Classical Music Ensemble was traditionally used to accompany court dance performed in the Royal Palace.

Student Musicians (តាំន្ត្រីការ): Aaron Mikael Say, Borvority Uong,

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Robam Bopha Lokey (Flower of the World Dance) – This dance is created especially for our young performers in the Khmer court dance repertoire so to provide them with experience in moving and swaying their bodies, heads, waists, arms, hands, fingers and toes to the musical and rhythmic accompaniment of Pin Peat (Classical Instrument) ensemble.

Dancers (ត្អូសំដៃង៍): Amyla Yuth, Carolyn Thao, Chloe A. Chung, Dana Grimley, Khalia Drakeford, Kimberly Khan, Naomi Bopha Ahrens, Natalie Chanary Yuth

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Robam Ang Reh (Pestle Dance) – Agriculture is a basic occupation in Cambodia. After the harvest, farmers perform a ceremony called "DALEAN" to give thanks to the earth which provides them food. After the village elderly finishes making the dedication, music and pestle dance begin. The pestle beaters and the dancers sing about the beauty of their mother land and about their occupation as farmers to earn a living. Young men and young women beat the pestles on a wooden block to the rhythm of the music.

Dancers (ត្អិសំដៃង៍): Dinita Mani, Sunny Tech, Annong Phann, Anthony Kiv, Suejane Tan, Ganbott Voey,

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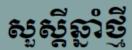
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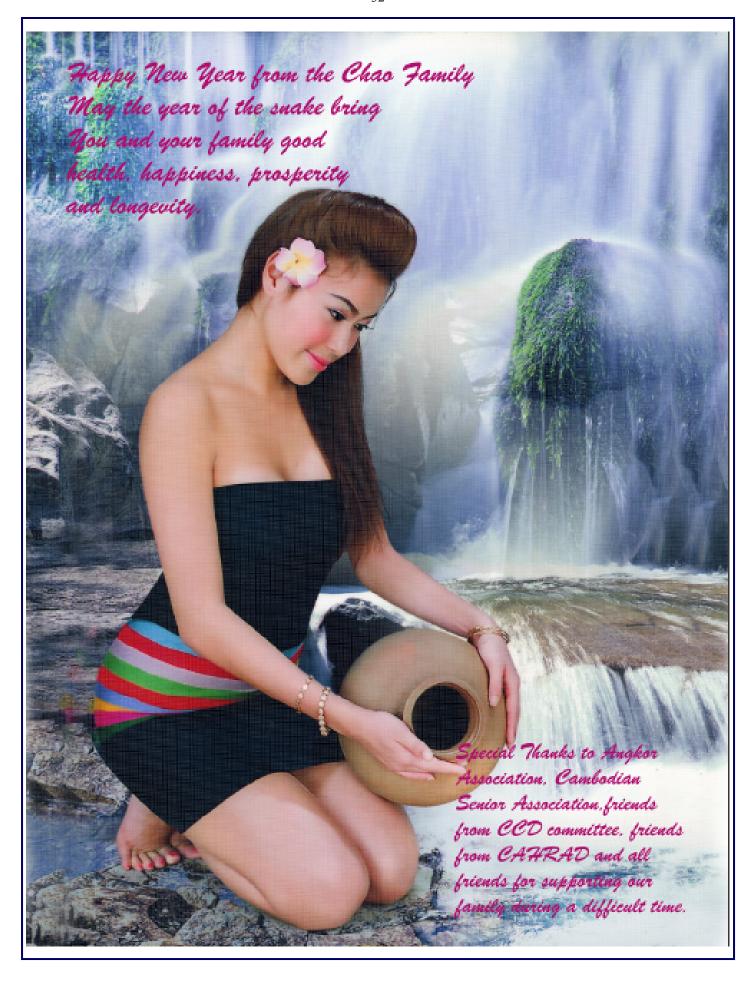
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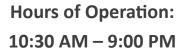




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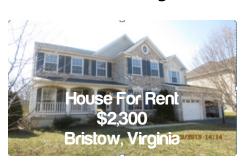
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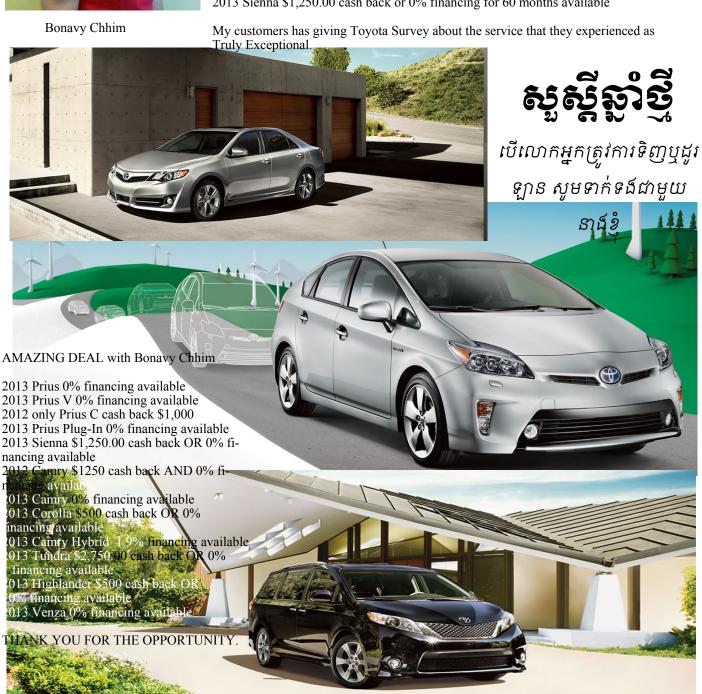


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May peace, love and prosperity follow you always and forever!

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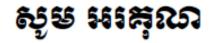
Angkor Hospital for Children (AHC) had a milestone in January 2013: It became independent! AHC will be operated and managed by its own NGO called AHC International, whose board is comprised of SE Asia-based professionals with immense interest to sustain AHC as a highly-regarded teaching hospital in Cambodia. The founder, Kenro Izu, will serve on the board of AHC International, and Friends Without A Border will continue funding for AHC.



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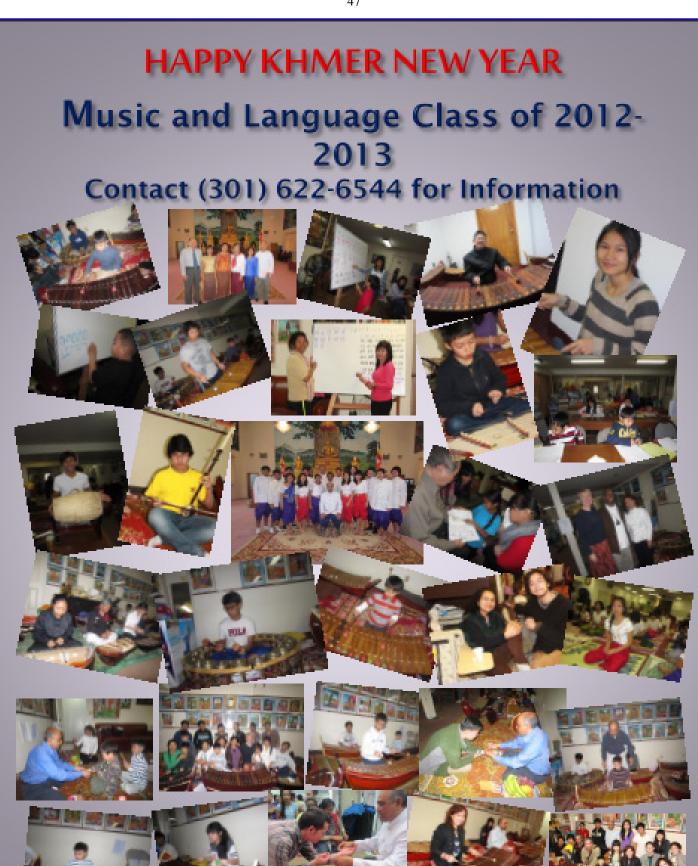






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