

Newsletter

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Coming From Kalaw promotes Southern Shan State Artists, their artworks, lifestyles and other unique activities in Shan State. We curate exhibitions and engage with the local art community through artists workshops and gatherings, and children's art classes and trips at our small gallery in Kalaw "**HtinShuuYeik**" (Shadow of the Pine).

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"On To The Next"

C.F.K collaborated with **Shwe Sa Bwe** restaurant in Yangon who supported the venue for an exhibition of five artists, **Win Phyo, Tin Myint Mg, Zaw Min Htoo, Nay Minn Zaw, U Than Maung**. From 18-30 March, we displayed 20 colorful paintings which expressed the beauty of Shan state traditions, culture and landscape of Shan mountains.



About **40 guests** joined for a private viewing event on 18 March, **Aye Thar Yar** wine from Shan State and canapes were offered.



"Kids Art Classes"

Every weekend, about **45 kids** in BawHseng (sometimes called BawHsaing, a small town 20 miles north of Heho airport) and about **25 kids** in Kalaw have been attending free art classes. As rural areas have less exposure to the art, CFK is creating a platform for them to learn and experiment.

Two passionate artists Win Phyo and Myo Thuzar have been volunteered as teachers for over 6 months.



Our team has recently visited some of the many galleries in downtown Yangon, including **Gallery 65** (Khin Maung Yin, Win Pe, Paw Oo Thet), **Mula Art** gallery & **Lat Saung** gallery (Myint Mo Htut).



Galleries Of The Month



Near Inle Lake, we have visited Artist Zaw Min Htoo's studio in ShweNyaung and Artist Myint Swe's gallery in NyaungShwe. Since 2020, NyaungShwe and Inle have suffered economically due to a lack of visitors, and the galleries are very quiet.



On the 4th of January, C.F.K collaborated with "**Rangoon Tea House**" restaurant in Yangon to display nine paintings by Artist **Kyawt Shin** for three months. He's also a Kalaw based artist, living in the pine forest. His artwork is inspired by the joys and struggles of people around him, and the secrets in their lives. You can find some more of his work below.

Artist **Kyawt Shin**



Inle Bamboo School



CFK team visited an architecturally famous bamboo school and the breakfast noodle shop (The shop in front of the Inle bamboo school), on the way to Inle from Nyaung Shwe. It was the time when the school children were actively preparing for their performances for the upcoming graduation ceremony in March.



We particularly enjoyed having delicious spinach noodles for breakfast at the shop in front of the Bamboo School. Made with ye-mon-hnyin (Myanmar watercress), and plated on a lotus leaf, the healthy dish highlights the local produce of Inle Lake.

Top Tip

Tea Kabar (tea world) on Budar (Station) street serves the best palata and beans (*beh-prata*) in Kalaw and is also a must for tea, of course. It's also a good place to meet the locals.



Special occasion? Or looking to preserve your travel memories?

2001 Film and Pic in Aungban is a local professional team for photo shoots and videography who know all the best local spots.

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Ads



Artworks for SALE

ARTIST WIN PHYO, People can see with their mind and there are things they can see with their eyes. They can see the points and lines accurately with their eyes. Things that can be seen with the mind are not clear. What I see in my mind is now created in the painting.....



WIN PHYO
24" x 36"
Acrylic on canvas
2,250,000 MMK



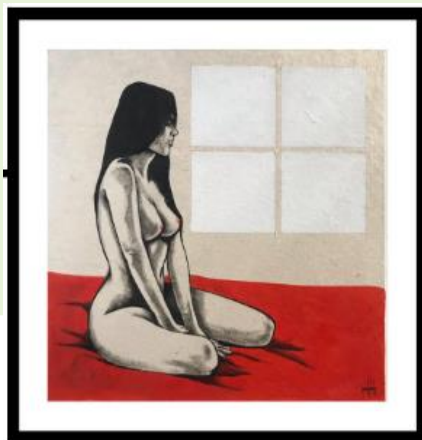
WIN PHYO
24" x 36"
Acrylic on canvas
2,250,000 MMK



Traditional lifestyle of local Shan village people
MIN MIN HTIKE
31" x 23"
Acrylic on canvas
1,560,000 MMK

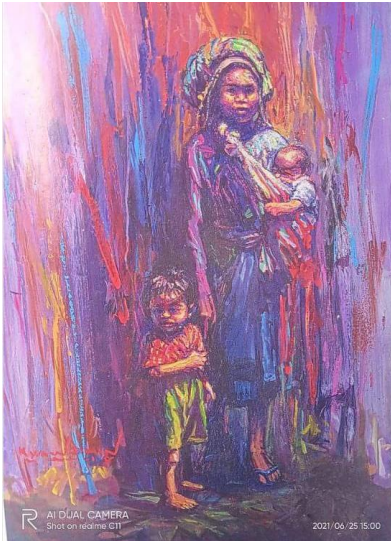


Title: Seeking Freedom 1
Artist: **MIN MIN HTIKE**
Size: 24" x 24"
Material: Acrylic on canvas
Price: 1,200,000 MMK

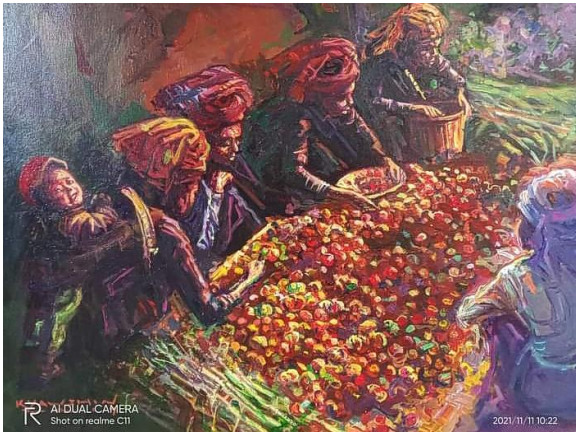


Title: Seeking Freedom 2
Artist: **MIN MIN HTIKE**
Size: 24" x 24"
Material: Acrylic on canvas
Price: 1,200,000 MMK

Artworks for SALE



Future of Mothers and Children
KYAWT SHIN
24" x 36"
Acrylic on canvas
3,450,000 MMK



Pa'O Market Day
KYAWT SHIN
24" x 18"
Acrylic on canvas
2,070,000 MMK



The girl with Royal Poinciana 1
KYAWT SHIN
24" x 18"
Acrylic on canvas
2,070,000 MMK



Title: Inle Kaung Taing Market Day
Artist: **KYAWT SHIN**
Size: 24" x 36"
Material: Acrylic on canvas
Price: 3,450,000 MMK



Title: Inn Taine Pagodas
Artist: **KYAWT SHIN**
Size: 24" x 18"
Material: Acrylic on canvas
Price: 2,070,000 MMK