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Coming From Kalaw



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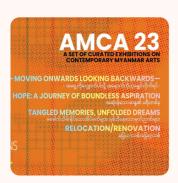
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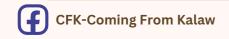


















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Bawhseng's Mural Paintings

Bawhseng, a township in the Southern part of Shan State, is situated at an elevation of 4370 feet above sea level. Besides its stunning silver mine landscapes, it boasts historical heritages and mural paintings dating back to 1938, making it a captivating attraction to explore.





Notably, we have found 80 exquisitely estimated **mural paintings** on thick zinc plates, depicting compelling plots from Buddhist's "Ten Major Castes."



These wall paintings have remained intact for over 80 years and retain their original vibrant colors. The costumes, character arrangements, and color choices of landscapes and trees in these paintings are particularly intriguing.

As part of our outdoor activity, CFK spent an evening with the kids from our art class, sharing historical facts and painting outdoors. If any historical volunteers are interested in researching the history and uncovering hidden facts about Bawhseng, please feel free to contact us.













Investing in ART

Coming from Kalaw has successfully established four sub-classes for children, running for nine months from October 2022 to July 2023. Our previous courses had fifty-two trainees enrolled. We have expanded children's art classes to both **Kalaw** and **Bawhseng** to foster interest in art, critical thinking skills, and creativity.



With the growing number of classes, the demand for trainers is increasing. We plan to organize a "Training of Trainers-TOT" from 15th to 20th August 2023 at our Htin Shuu Yeik gallery and develop an art curriculum for Shan State after pilot research. If you are interested in contributing to the art advancement of children's futures in the Southern Shan State of Myanmar, we welcome your support and donations to the CFK Art Fund.



Since the beginning, our art classes have relied solely on the support of local donors, participating students' parents, and friends. We faced challenges in finding suitable locations, basic infrastructure, and art-related materials. However, increased funding has allowed us to open and maintain these classes more conveniently.







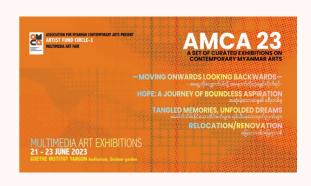






Highlight of the Month

AMCA 2023, a program of multi-disciplinary arts events, which was organized by the "Association for Myanmar Contemporary Arts, AMCA" was successfully held from 21 June 2023 to 23 June 2023 at Gothe Institute.





To support the artworks and creativity of local artists, AMCA collaborated with Inclusive Systems Myanmar (ISM). The event was mainly supported by Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation-SDC and Helvetas also cofunded for the AMCA 2023 as well.

The AMCA 2023 was triumphantly held and the event included puppet performance, music performance, art and research panel discussions, symposiums, Performance Art, Dance workshop, and Dance Performance along with the artworks of creative local artists..

Kalaw Market

The 5-day Kalaw Market is a popular attraction in this small hill station town. Local families from nearby villages bring fresh vegetables and local products using motorbikes, trucks, or trains.

Before transportation development, they walked for 4-5 hours to make it to the market before it became busy.

The vibrant market attracts both local travelers and tourists. Come explore Kalaw and gain insights into cultural experiences and community interactions at the lively market.









Artworks for SALE!

When you experience intense emotions, what does the process of capturing something look like? **Win Phyo**, an artist, who used to be only dedicated to local traditional art form, now creating new unique masterpieces. Now, we would like to share his artworks for your collection.





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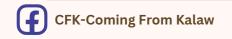
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