

# **Program Summary**

Date	Section & Activity	<b>Meeting Place</b>	Time	Registration Contact
Friday 08 Mar	City Walk: Đồng Xuân Market	In front of Ô Quan Chưởng (Quan	9:30 AM (2 hrs)	Yoshiko Tomiyama herijapan@yahoo.co.jp
	Japanese	Chưởng Gate), at the	( - /	- 3.p 6.7 1
		corner of Đào Duy Từ and Hàng Chiếu		
		Streets		
Thusday	Films:	Hanoi Cinematheque,	7:30 PM	Hang
14 Mar	"Vietnam: 1990"	22A Hai Bà Trưng St	(1.5 hrs)	FVH.Films@gmail.com
	and "Vietnam:			
	<u>Talking to the</u> people			
	English			
Saturday	City Walk:	Part 1: Parking area	Part 1:	Roman Szlam
16 Mar	Thăng Long to	across the street	9:00 AM	FVH.CityWalks.English@gmail.com
	Ba Đình	from 18 Hoàng Diệu	(3 hrs)	
	Square: The	St.		Date to the second
	Political Centre	Part 2: Café at	Part 2:	
	of Vietnam English	approximately 34 Điên Biên Phủ St.	1:00 PM	
	Liigiisii	Diện biến Phu St.	(3 hrs)	
Saturday	Traditional Medicine:	Oriberry Coffee café,	3:00 PM	Trà My
23 Mar	Post-Tết Detox English	25 Xuân Diệu St, Tây Hồ Dist	(2 hrs)	trmy.nguyen@gmail.com
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Saturday	Excursion:	Outside of Sofitel	8:30 AM	Helen
30 Mar	<u>Quất Đông:</u> Embroidery village	Plaza Hotel; On Yên Phụ Rd, at	(7 hrs)	helenshuntley@yahoo.com
	English	the corner of Thanh		
		Niên Rd		

Friends of Vietnam Heritage (FVH) is a non-formal group of mainly Hà Nội residents from many countries who work voluntarily to promote and preserve Vietnamese cultural and historical heritage. With a cadre of dedicated volunteers and limited financial resources, FVH is proud to offer an array events like those listed above and detailed on the following pages.

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## **Program Details**

<u>Discover Hanoi City Walk:</u> Đồng Xuân Market Area Friday, 08 March, 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM (Japanese)

Our walks will start in front of Quan Chưởng Gate, an old eastern gate of Hanoi, and go around the Đồng Xuân Market area including Đồng Xuân Market itself, the largest market in Hanoi, located in the center of the Old Quarter. This tour is a 2-hour long walking tour in Japanese.



Place: In front of Quan Chưởng Gate, at the corner of Đào Duy Từ and Hàng Chiếu streets

**Cost**: 70,000 VND **Limit**: 8 people

**Contact:** Yoshiko Tomiyama, <a href="mailto:herijapan@yahoo.co.jp">herijapan@yahoo.co.jp</a>

Please leave your mobile number so you can be contact in case of any last minute changes.

**Notes:** Wear comfortable shoes and clothes and bring plenty of water to drink. Please do not bring large

bags or purses.

## Films:

"Vietnam: 1990" & "Vietnam: Talking to the people" Thursday, 14 March, 7:30 PM – 9:30 PM

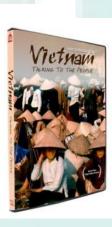
(English)

Friends of Vietnam Heritage (FVH) would like to present two post-war documentaries by American Director Jon Alpert.

The first film "Vietnam: 1990" is a collection of stories from day-to-day life in the Vietnam of 1990. From bar girls and roller-skaters to Amerasian youth, the centerpiece is the story of Nguyễn Văn Lân's 15-year separation from his family.

As the Vietnam War ended, Lân, a South Vietnamese army officer, put his pregnant wife on the last plane out of Saigon, destined for America and when she arrived, she gave birth to their daughter; and wondered if she would ever see her husband again.





Lân was entered in a re-education camp, and after 15 years of imprisonment was finally free to join his family in the U.S. This touching movie received the Cine "Golden Eagle Award"

The second film, "Vietnam: Talking to the People," shows the daily life of Vietnamese people from drunken weddings to slow-moving funerals, from Mekong Delta journeys to pepper pickers, and an operational Vietnamese prison camp sealed off from foreign observers for 10 years.

This movie is also an examination of the Orderly Departure Program, in which American officials interview and process the applications of thousands of Vietnamese awaiting visas to the U.S, to Vietnam's failing birth control program and its orphanage centres.



Above all, the highlights that emerge here are the determination, hardship, humor, and resiliency of the Vietnamese people.

**Place**: Hanoi Cinematheque, 22A Hai Bà Trưng St

**Cost**: 100,000 VND (Please pick up and pay for your tickets on the evening of the event at the

cinema, 6:30-7:15 pm).

**Contact:** Hang, fvh.films@gmail.com

Your reservation is not confirmed until you receive our return confirmation email.

Reserved seating tickets are allocated on a first come – first served basis. We don't pre-book seating but if you come early you can pick your favorite seats. As a courtesy to those on the waiting list please text to 090.4488.995 or email fvh.films@gmail.com if you can't come.

## **Discover Hanoi City Walk:**

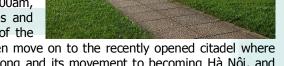
Thăng Long to Ba Đình Square: The Political Centre of Vietnam Saturday, 16 March, Part 1 - 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Lunch 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Part 2 - 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

#### (English)

The old citadel, first built by the Chinese in the late 600s AD, expanded into Thăng Long by the Lý, Trần, and 2 Lê dynasties, then dismantled and moved to Huế by one of the Nguyễns, then subsequently partially rebuilt with French support, then the French domination of Vietnam — the good and the bad, culminating in the defeat of the French by the Vietnamese under the direction of Hồ Chí Minh and Võ Nguyên Giáp, all these are part of this tour.

This walk will take place in 2 parts. In the 1st part, at 9:00am, we'll enter the archaeological dig of Thang Long Palaces and spend about 45 minutes talking about the development of the



site into an imperial citadel and Forbidden City. We'll then move on to the recently opened citadel where we'll continue to talk about the establishment of Thăng Long and its movement to becoming Hà Nội, and talk about the beginnings of French influence. We'll see some very early French architecture.

At this point, we should be at about 12:00 and we'll take a break for refreshments and lunch at one of the cafes near number 34 Điện Biên Phủ St. We can discuss the French occupation of Indochina.

In the 2nd part, at about 1:00pm, continuing from there both in history and in footwork, we'll make our way past some of the French Colonial villas which now mostly house embassies. We'll talk about the evolution of architecture from Victorian, the reasons for skipping Art Deco, to Indochine, and then the moderne or post-Art-Deco. And lastly, we'll move toward 1954 as we walk past the Hồ Chí Minh Mausoleum and visit the home from which he worked during and after the Revolution (if open). This is both a historical and an architectural tour.

You may participate in either or both parts. The entire tour should end around 4:00pm, but this is not a promise, just a goal.

Place: Part 1: 9:00 AM, meet at the small parking area directly across the street from 18 Hoàng

Diêu St.

Part 2: 12:45 PM, meet at Café at approximately 34 Điện Biên Phủ St.

**Cost**: 70,000 VND for each session

Limit: 20 people

**Contact:** Roman, fvh.citywalks.english@gmail.com

**Notes:** It may be rainy; or it may be sunny and warm, so please bring a hat, sunshade (umbrella),

and bottle of water. There will be places to sit down as well as toilet stops.





## **Traditional Medicine:**

Post-Tết Detox Saturday, 23 March, 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM (English)

Want to detox your body after the festive indulgences of Christmas, New Year and Tết?

In this session you will learn about the herbs, spices, roots, pulses and vegetables that can cleanse your body and balance your Yin and Yang, according to your own constitution.

We'll show you how to use three special herbs:

- Vietnamese Perilla (Tiá Tô)
- Lemongrass (Så)
- Argy Wormwood Leaf (Ngải Cứu).

Take-home recipes will also be provided.

**Place:** Oriberry Coffee café, 25 Xuân Diệu St, Tây Hồ Dist

**Cost**: 200,000 VND **Limit**: 12 people

Contact: Trà My, trmy.nguyen@gmail.com, Phone: 0914539591







## **Excursion:**

Quất Động: Embroidery village Saturday, 30 March, 8:30 AM – 03:30 PM (English)

Join us on this FVH excursion to Quất Động embroidery village. Our first stop will be at Đại Lỗ Temple, dedicated to the worship of the Holy Mothers. Here we may be lucky enough to see mediums communing with the spirits, as well as offerings being made for good luck and special payers. We will then continue to Quất Động, where embroidery has been a traditional craft since the seventeenth century. We will stroll through the village and stop to see embroidery projects being undertaken by family members in their homes, and perhaps to purchase a few quality items.



Place: Outside of Sofitel Plaza Hotel; On Yên Phu Rd, at the corner of Thanh Niên Rd

**Cost**: 300,000 VND (includes transportation)

Limit: 20 people

**Registration:** Helen, helenshuntley@yahoo.com

Please leave your mobile number so you can be contact in case of any last minute changes.

**Notes:** Wear comfortable shoes and clothes as it may be hot or rainy, and bring plenty of water to

drink.

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## **UPCOMING EVENT IN APRIL 2013**

## Stalactite or Stalagmite – find out the difference

FVH and the "New" Explorers Group will next week complete the pre-plan trip for a 4 day – 3 night trip to visit the UNESCO World Heritage site of Phong Nha caves and Ke Bang forest National Park. This area has recently been recognized to be the home of the world's largest cave and also been nominated to become one of the "7 Wonders of Nature" sites.

Unique to the FVH Explorers journey we will again have the assistance and guidance of Flora and Fauna International, an NGO that supports the park in development of this special and ecologically fragile area of Vietnam. Presently there are no guided walks or treks into the jungle provided by the national park and FFI has graciously offered their assistance in working with the Administration and staff of the park to help us plan our trip. FFI and the park will also provide experienced guides and knowledgeable assistants during our trekking and touring of PNKB NP.

**Travel dates:** To Be Determined – sometime late April.

If you are interested in joining FVH's New Explorers Group on this, their second trip to PN/KB National Park - please send your name(s) phone number(s) and e-mail address to John at: lefthanded2hanoi@yahoo.com and after our pre-planning trip, we'll send you the planned itinerary, the costs and some suggested travel requirements.

We must limit our group to 16 participants - so please contact us as soon as possible as train and hotel reservations must be made in advance.

This is a wonderful trip for your children but we would like to suggest that the possible jungle trek is not really recommended for those under 12 years of age but worked well for high schoolers.

Watch for further details in FVH's April Program and on the webpage calendar at <a href="http://fvheritage.org">http://fvheritage.org</a>

# **Get Involved, Volunteer!**

#### **Guidebook Coordinator**

A newly created position within Friends of Vietnam Heritage, the aim of the Guidebook Coordinator is to improve the distribution of FVH guidebooks with the help of Thế Giới Publishers and FVH's Publishing Committee. The ideal candidate will be a volunteer who is knowledgeable in marketing and methods to increase sales and visibility of FVH's guidebooks, which are currently on sale at such locations as Bookworm, Văn Miếu, and various museum gift shops. The Coordinator will receive ample training to answer FVH questions during sales meetings and to present the FVH guidebook series. The Coordinate will be encouraged to help grow this position so it meets the evolving needs of the organization.

#### Main duties:

- Promotion, sales and marketing Introduce FVH guidebooks to appropriate Hà Nội-area retailers and build on-going sales relationships. Present and discuss the guidebooks with interested groups and give presentations at FVH events
- Distribution Monitor inventory at sales locations, replace stock as needed, and deliver new publications in a timely manner.
   Work with retailers to ensure FVH guidebooks are displayed prominently and are in good condition. Liaise with FVH Section Heads to ensure adequate stock is available for sale during their activities. Occasionally deliver gift items
- Submit monthly activity/accounting report to the Executive Committee. When possible, attend monthly Governing Council meeting (usually held on the first Tuesday of each month)
- Mentor an alternate Coordinator as a future replacement or as an additional team member in order to expand sales and distributions efforts



## **Compensation:**

- FVH is a volunteer organization and, as such, all members work from home and receive no financial compensation.
- A small monthly stipend will be given to the Coordinator to help cover costs of motorbike fuel for purchasing, restocking and FVH deliveries.

**Expected output**: Increase distribution and new sales of FVH guidebooks

**Estimated workload**: 6-10 hrs per month

For more information: Please email John Reilly, lefthanded2hanoi@yahoo.com

# Films Co-Section Head

#### Main duties:

- Help choose a film for monthly viewing
- Assist the Section Head to set up a speaker to pair with the film (director, producer, actor, special speaker, etc)
- Schedule time and date with Cinematheque
- Submit information for the newsletter and calendar
- Keep track of sign ups
- Send reminders to all who sign up for the activity
- Check-in attendees and collect money for activity
- Contribute to the monthly section report and financial report for the activity
- Attend monthly council meeting when the Section Heads is unavailable
- Supports the Section Head with other FVH tasks upon request

## **Expected output:**

One program per month (except during summer months)

**Estimated workload:** 8 hrs per month

For more information: Please email fvheritage@gmail.com





# **Museum Spotlight**

## <u>Vietnam Museum of Ethnology</u> Bảo Tàng Dân Tộc Học Việt Nam

Nguyễn Văn Huyên Road, Cầu Giấy, Hà Nội

Tel: (84-4) 3756-2193 Email: vme18@vme.org.vn

www.vme.org.vn

**Bus Routes:** 7, 14, 27, 28, 30, 38, 45

**Hours:** 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM daily except Mondays **Ticket Price:** 25,000 VND for regular admission

5,000 VND for children and students

Free for children under 6 years of age and people of Việt

Nam ethnic minorities

**Tour Prices:** 30,000 VND for tours in Vietnamese, 50,000 VND in

French and English

Water Puppets: Performances every Saturday and Sunday at 10:00 AM,

11:30 AM, 2:30 PM and 4:00 PM. Show tickets are 40,000 VND for adults, 10,000 VND for children, children under six are free, 15,000 VND for student. This fee is in addition to the regular museum entrance fee and goes directly to the puppet troupe. After the performances there are opportunities to talk to the artisans about traditional puppetry in Việt Nam. The performance is held

in the outdoor exhibition space. Special performance for private parties and events can be arranged.



"Oblique Points of view" Exhibition is currently on display at the Vietnam Museum of Ethnology.

## "Oblique Points of view" Exhibition

This exhibition is the result of an effective collaboration between Valdemarne Province (France) and Yên Bái Province (Vietnam) information departments with the Vietnam Museum of Ethnology. This event is meant to promote, maintain, and conserve the variety of cultures of the two provinces. There are two sections "Nature" and "Human".

Period: until June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013



## <u>Hanoi Museum</u> Bảo Tàng Hà Nội

Phạm Hùng Street, Từ Liêm

The first two floors of the Vietnam National Museum of History house a permanent collection of bronzes, photos, plants, pottery and miscellaneous artifacts, along with a small cafe and shop. At the entrance to the second floor exhibits there is magnificent silk embroidery. The third and fourth floors are still under development but currently display an extensive temporary collection of ceramic pieces from 1000BC to the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, Đông Sơn drums and both metal and stone tools.

This new museum is completely wheelchair accessible. There is a ramp on the left of the stairs leading to the front door and a circular ramp spirals to each of the four floors. There is also an elevator.



Items are labeled in both Vietnamese and English and are well lit and displayed. Groups are welcome.

**Location:** Next to the Conference Center near the Mỹ Đình National Stadium

**Hours:** 8:30-11:30 AM, 2:00-4:30 PM. Closed on Mondays.

Admission: Free until further notice. English Translator available, donation requested

**Bus Routes:** 5, 29, 33, 39, 44, 50

# Vietnam Museum of Fine Arts

Bảo Tàng Mỹ Thuật

66 Nguyễn Thái Học, Tel: (84-4) 3823-3084

www.baotangmythuat.vn

**Bus Routes:** 2, 18, 23, 25, 27, 32, 34, 38, 39, 41, 45, 50

**Hours:** 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM daily **Ticket Price:** 20,000 VND for adults

7,000 VND for students and children under 12

**FVH Liaison:** John Reilly, lefthanded2hanoi@yahoo.com

The Vietnam Museum of Fine Arts has an excellent collection of the following:

- Fine arts in the early historic times, pre-11<sup>th</sup> century
- Religious art
- Fine arts from 11<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> century
- Paintings and sculptures from the 20<sup>th</sup> century
- Lacquer paintings
- Paintings on silk
- Applied decorative arts
- Vietnamese ceramics from 11<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> century



"The Great East Japan Earthquake Press Photo" Exhibition is currently on display at the Vietnamese Museum of Fine Arts

The exhibition marks the second anniversary of the Great East Japan Earthquake, offering an opportunity to both remember the earthquake and tsunami that devastated the Tohoku region and gain a sense of the progress made towards recovery. The exhibition will be held from 27 Feb til 04 Mar, 2013



## The Vietnamese Women's Museum Bảo Tàng Phu Nữ

36 Lý Thường Kiệt, Tel: (84-4) 3825-9936

www.baotangphunu.org.vn

**Bus Routes:** Any bus that runs on Lê Duẩn,

Hai Bà Trưng, or Trần Hưng Đạo

Hours: Daily from 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

**Ticket Price:** 30,000 VND for Expats



**"Exploring Singapore, Colors of Heritage" Exhibition** is currently on display at the Vietnamese Women's Museum.

"Vietnamese Ancient Lamps"

**Exhibition** is currently on display at the Vietnam National Museum of

History

# The National Museum of Vietnamese History Bảo Tàng Lịch Sử

1 Tràng Tiền Street,

Tel: (84-4) 3824-1384 / 3825-7753 Email: banbientap@nmvnh.org.vn

www.baotanglichsu.vn

**Bus Routes:** 2, 3, 4, 9, 11, 23, 34, 36, 40, 45

**Hours:** 8:30 AM - 11.30 AM & 1.30 PM - 4:30 PM

(daily except Monday)

**Guided tours:** Available on request

**Guide Contact:** Mrs Nguyen Thu Hoan, Deputy of Exhibition

and Education Department, office: (84-4) 824-1384, mobile: (84) 094-536-8086

tuyentruyenbt@baotanglichsu.vn

**Ticket Price:** 20,000 VND for adults

10,000 VND for students 2,000 VND for children

**Photo/Video Charges:** 

Video: 800,000 VND per day if showcases are opened; 400,000 VND per day if showcases

are not opened

Research photographs: 20,000-600,000 VND per day (depending on needs)

Personal video: 30,000 VND Personal camera: 15,000 VND



Coming to the exhibition, viewers will be able to get a close look at 50 specific artifacts of the ancient lamp collection from 2500 years ago to the early of the 20th century. The lamps were designed elaborately and subtly in a variety of materials, styles, and dimensions and they were especially selected for this exhibition for their aesthetic and art values along with their usability. Of special note is a bronze human and animal-shaped lamp (made 2000 years ago) which was designated as one of the National Precious Artifacts of the museum by the Prime Minister on 1 October 2012.. *Period: until May 31st, 2013* 

Always check our website, www.fvheritage.org, for more events.



## **Publications**

Friends of Vietnam Heritage produce a number of publications. All publications are **60,000 VND**. If you would like to purchase any of these books just contact FVH at fvheritage@gmail.com. Books are also sold at all FVH events or at Bookworm.

## 1. Bạch Mã Temple Guidebook (White Horse Temple)

Learn about King Lý Thái Tổ's dream and why the temple honors the White Horse Deity. This guidebook offers detailed information on the history of Bạch Mã Temple on Hàng Buồm Street, including temple layout, translation of panels written in Chinese characters, as well as information about the symbolism used in the temple. The guided walk contained at the end of this guidebook provides an opportunity to explore and experience some of the same streets where the craft guilds and merchants set-up within the third enclosure of the citadel.

Published 2001

#### 2. Quán Thánh Temple Guidebook

This publication details the legends of Huyền Thiên Trấn Vũ, also known as the 'genie who guards the Dark Heaven.' This guidebook contains detailed information on the history of Quán Thánh Temple, as well as translations of the many parallel sentences and poems on the walls and columns of this magnificent Taoist Temple. A walking tour of the bronze-casting village of Ngũ Xã, with its Chùa and Đình and the enjoyable atmosphere around Trúc Bạch Lake is included.

Published 2002, reprinted 2008

#### 3. Trấn Quốc Pagoda Guidebook

The Trấn Quốc Pagoda on Thanh Niên Road was founded some 1400 years ago, and it is one of the most ancient Buddhist pagodas in Hà Nội. Nestled between West Lake and Trúc Bạch Lake, the pagoda is considered a magnificent symbol of Buddhism in Việt Nam, and is one of the most visited sites in the capital. This guidebook covers the history of Buddhism, the temple layout, and describes in detail the different areas of the pagoda. A fascinating publication, which includes especially commissioned drawings and photographs.

Published 2003, reprinted 2006

#### 4. Phủ Tây Hồ Guidebook (West Lake Palace)

Have you ever wondered who these doll-like statues in glass cabinets, in blue, white, red or green attire may be? Phủ Tây Hồ at the far end of the Tây Hồ peninsula is the most impressive pagoda dedicated to the cult of the Mother goddesses in Hà Nội, an indigenous cult that seems to permeate the lives of all Vietnamese women in varying degrees. The guidebook describes in detail the complex itself, then discusses the religion of the Mother goddesses, including its philosophy, pantheon and rituals. **Published 2004** 

#### 5. Lãn Ông Street Guidebook (Traditional Medicine Street)

Traditional medicine is very much alive on this particular street of the Old Quarter. This guidebook not only describes the area in its historical context and current set-up, but also offers information on a variety of Vietnamese herbal teas for the health conscious as well as a comprehensive pictorial of Lãn Ông Street.

\*Published 2005, reprinted 2005\*



## 6. Bát Tràng Traditional Pottery Village: A Self-Guided Walk

This guidebook focuses on the old section of the pottery commune of Bát Tràng, a village with a long history hitherto unknown to many outsiders. The guidebook is based on a self-guided walk. There are three different circuits lasting from 45 minutes to two hours, all shown on a map.

Published 2006, reprinted 2009

## 7. Hoàn Kiếm Lake, its Legends and Temples: A Self-Guided Walk

The area around Hồ Hoàn Kiếm represents the physical heart and spiritual soul of Hà Nội. Continuing the tradition of FVH to promote the understanding of Việt Nam's history and culture, this guidebook focuses on the history and legends, the temples and pagodas surrounding the lake. Also included is information on the large Báo Ân Pagoda complex, which was razed between 1886-1889 and left only the Hòa Phong tower still standing today. **Published 2007** 

## 8. Vignettes of French Culture in Hà Nội

This guidebook provides an insight and appreciation of the influence on Hà Nội of the French colonial period from 1873 until 1954. The three guided walks contained in this guidebook provide an opportunity for the reader to explore and experience aspects of what the people of Hà Nội have absorbed and made their own as a result of eighty years of French presence in their city.

Published 2008

#### 9. Hồ Tây - Walks Around West Lake

Hồ Tây continues to inspired writers, artists and photographers with its beauty, history, culture and religious aspects, but it also provides for its local residents a source of fish, water and a rich soil to cultivate a variety of plants and vegetables. This guidebook covers the legends of the lake, as well as its history and future plans for this rapidly expanding part of Hà Nội. Included are five self-guided walks identifying those places of interest both old and new around the entire West Lake shore.

Published 2009

#### 10. Văn Miếu Walking Tour (Temple of Literature)

This guidebook introduces visitors to the Văn Miếu, or the Temple of Literature, one of the foremost architectural treasures of Việt Nam and its capital city Hà Nội. The Văn Miếu - Quốc Tử Giám ranks third in Việt Nam's register of national historic sites. A leafy oasis in the centre of the bustling city, it is a magnet for the citizens of Hà Nội and for visitors to the city who wish to spend a quiet moment contemplating its rich past. This guidebook contains a history of the school and the temple, a description of each courtyard and its meaning as expressed through its architecture, translations of all the plaques, as well as quick quides to Confucianism and the Royal Examinations

Published 2010

## **Resource Center**

Hanoi City Library Thư Viện Hà Nội 47 Bà Triệu, 4<sup>th</sup> floor Hà Nội, Việt Nam

The Friends of Vietnam Heritage's Resource Center is on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the Hanoi City Library (Thư Viện Hà Nội), located on the corner of Trần Hưng Đạo and Bà Triệu streets. The FVH collection includes books and journals that focus on Vietnamese art, history and culture.

In order to access the collection you need to get a Reader's Card. Go to the office (just inside the main entrance of the library), fill out a simple form, and attach one photograph. You'll also need to show your passport and pay an annual fee of 22,000 VND. After becoming a member, show your card whenever you go in.



The FVH collection is for reference only. You cannot remove the books from the library. Please note that the Reader's Card does not authorize the holder to borrow other books from the main library. If you want a Borrower's Card for checking out non-FVH books, you will need to fill out another form to receive one.

**Library Opening Times**: Every day Monday to Friday except Thursday morning of the first and third week of the month. Daily times: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM and 1:30 - 5:00 PM. Closed on weekends and national holidays.

## **Moving?**

Say goodbye to FVH by leaving us your gently-used books about Việt Nam. Your donation will be added to our reference collection, housed inside the FVH Resource Centre, Hanoi City Library. Contact John Reilly (lefthanded2hanoi@yahoo.com) to arrange donation. Your books will be enjoyed by many people for years to come—thank you!



## **The Last Page**

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**Website:** www.fvheritage.org

Bookmark the Friends of Vietnam Heritage website where you will find the monthly

program and further information about FVH, including a photo page and links.

**Email:** fvheritage@gmail.com

Address all correspondence to the Friends of Vietnam Heritage email address.

**Program:** To receive our free monthly program, please send an email to fvheritage@gmail.com.

Participation: Our programs are open to all people. FVH programs and events are in English or

translated into English, unless noted otherwise.

**Volunteering:** If you are interested in serving on the FVH Governing Council or in volunteering for a

specific section, please send an email to <a href="mailto:fvheritage@gmail.com">fvheritage@gmail.com</a>. Also visit the "Get Involved" section of our website for current volunteer openings. FVH does not have an

office, so all volunteers work from home.

Council Meetings: The FVH Council usually meets every first Tuesday of the month at the Fine Arts

Museum. However, times and dates may change. Everyone who receives this program is welcome to attend the meetings as an observer. If you are interested in attending,

please email fvheritage@gmail.com to verify date and time.

**Executive Committee:** John Reilly - Chair; Miho Furudoi - Treasurer

Roman Szlam - Vice Chair; Helen Whitle - Secretary

## Student Invitation

FVH would like to invite Vietnamese students to join our events for half of the activity cost. Please contact the event coordinator to reserve a place (subject to availability, as determined by the coordinator). Students are required to present their current student identification card.

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