

## **Program Summary**

Date	Section & Activity	Meeting Place	Time	<b>Registration Contact</b>
Sunday 03 May	City Walks: <u>The Evolution of</u> <u>Colonial Style</u> <u>Architecture</u> English	Lý Thái Tổ Park – corner of Lê Thạch and Đinh Tiên Hoàng	10:00 AM (2 hrs)	Katie Jacobs katielaurenjacobs@gmail.com
Friday 08 May	Music & Performance: <u>Vietnam's</u> <u>traditional</u> <u>performances</u>	50 Đào Duy Từ St	7:45 PM (2 hrs)	Helen Huntley helenshuntley@yahoo.com
Sunday 10 May	Excursion: Kinh Bắc Heritages and countryside English	Outside of the Sofitel Plaza Hotel; On Yên Phụ Rd, at the corner of Thanh Niên Rd	8:00 AM (8.5 hrs)	Mai phmai@fpt.vn
Tuesday 12 May	Music & Performance: Vietnam's classical & traditional music	Lạc Long Quân St	7:00 PM (1.5 hrs)	Helen Huntley helenshuntley@yahoo.com
Sunday 17 May	City Walks: <u>St Joseph's</u> <u>Cathedral and the</u> <u>surrounding area</u> English	In front of St Joseph's Cathedral on the corner of Nhà Thờ and Nhà Chung streets	9:30 AM (2.5 hrs)	Loan phuongloan2704@gmail.com
Saturday 23 May – Sunday 24 May	Excursion: Xứ Đông (the East of Red River Delta), Hai Phong City and the Red River Delta and its coastal area English	Outside of the Sofitel Plaza Hotel; On Yên Phụ Rd, at the corner of Thanh Niên Rd	8:00 AM	Mai phmai@fpt.vn
Tuesday 26 May	City Walks: <u>History Museum</u> Japanese	History Museum, 01 Tràng Tiền St	9:30 AM (2 hrs)	Manami Iwai herijapan@yahoo.co.jp

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**

### Discover Hanoi City Walk: The Evolution of Colonial Style Architecture Sunday, 03 May, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (English)

Our walk starts in Lý Thái Tổ Park next to the old post office - the heart of the French colony during the first decades of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. From there we will walk towards the Opera House and down towards the School of Pharmacy, originally the University of Hanoi, designed by French architect Ernest Hebrard. Following the wide, tree-lined boulevards of Lý Thường Kiệt and Trần Hưng Đạo we will trace the evolution of French colonial style architecture from the turn of the century to the end of the French era in the 1940's.



Place:Meet in Lý Thái Tổ Park on the corner of Lê Thạch and Đinh Tiên HoàngCost:70,000 VNDLimit:20 peopleRegistration:Katie Jacobs, katielaurenjacobs@gmail.com

*Please leave your mobile number so you can be contact in case of any last minute changes.* **Notes:** This is not a loop walk. We will finish at Thiền Quang Lake on Nguyễn Du Street. Wear comfortable shoes and clothes as it may be hot or rainy, and bring plenty of water to drink.

## <u>Music & Performance:</u> Vietnam's Traditional Performances Friday, 08 May, 7:45 PM – 10:00 PM

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Join us for a journey of the musical history and traditions of Hanoi. The show replicates the footsteps of the city's music through history, using traditional voices, rhythms, and beats combined with contemporary installation arts. The performances will be made by several well-known People's Artists, singers, and musicians. The following traditional music and singing styles will be included in the performance: **The Hát Quan Ho** – an alternative form of singing



originating in Bắc Ninh in northern Vietnam in the 18th century. **The Chèo** - a form of folk theater in North Vietnam, featuring lyrical playfulness with conventional high style and simple lyrics with rhythmic richness. **The Châu Văn** – a form of ritual music, rich in melody and rhythmic structure, for the worship of the Mother Goddesses, a shamanistic religion of Vietnam. **The Cái Lương** - originating in southern Vietnam, this art form has thrived since the 1940s. **The Ca Trù** - recognized as an Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity by UNESCO, Ca trù was developed in the Royal Court at the time of Lý dynasty (from the 11th to 13th century). Ca trù is a ritual chant of refined poetry for scholars and mandarins. **The Hát Tuồng** – a form of ancient theater which originated in China and came to Vietnam in the 13th century. The theatrical techniques include martial arts and circus, accompanied by singing and music. **The Hát Xẩm** – a musical style originally played by blind beggars in marketplaces and buses, whose accompanying songs are about human morality and ironic satires about life.

 Place:
 50 Đào Duy Từ St

 Cost:
 200,000 VND

 Limit:
 10 people

 Registration:
 Helen Huntley, helenshuntley@yahoo.com

 Please note that tickets will be purchased in advance for this event. If you sign up and then cancel or do not show up for the event, you will be liable for the full price of the ticket.

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



## <u>Excursion:</u> Kinh Bắc Heritages and countryside Sunday, 10 May, 8:00 AM – 5:30 PM *(English)*

#### 8.00 am:

- Drive Đình Bảng Communal House The biggest Communal House in Bắc Ninh Province ,
- then continue to Phật Tích Pagoda, the capital of Buddhism during Lý Dynasty, also called the Buddha Legend Pagoda on the hill side. We will then walk to the ferry crossing at the Duong River and walk through the mulberry fields whose leaves are used for growing the silk worm.
- Visit Bút Tháp Pagoda, a gem of Vietnam traditional architecture with its famous stone carving pictures on the handrails and its lacquer-ware painted statues.



• Continuing our drive along the Đuống River to Đông Hồ the traditional rice paper, wood carving and print making village. We will also stop to visit with an artist in his home.

12.30 am: Drive to Hồ Town and have lunch on your own at local restaurant in Hồ Town

- Then drive on to Xuân Lai, the bamboo village, which specializes in making bamboo furniture to see and learn the different processes of how to prepare the bamboo, form to different shapes to make the furniture and the finishing process
- Continue to visit Diềm Village in Bắc Ninh City, the homeland of Quan Họ traditional song. Walk through the complex of this typical Quan Họ Village, to see its pond for singing, its temple, pagoda, communal house.
- 2.00 pm Drive through Đông Xuyên town and then turn to Đong Anh district to visit Sái Taoism Temple, the temple dedicated to the God of Starts and considered the founder of Taoism in Vietnam and who helped the King build the Cổ Loa Snail Citadel. This temple is situated upon a small hill surrounded by rice paddy fields.
- Drive back to Hanoi
- 5.30 pm Arrive back in Hanoi.

Place: Cost:	Outside of the Sofitel Plaza Hotel; On Yên Phụ Rd, at the corner of Thanh Niên Rd 550,000 VND per person including private group transport, entrance ticket if any, 2 bottles of waters and insurance.
	or waters and insurance.
Limit:	20 people
Registrati	ion: Mai, phmai@fpt.vn_or 0917-2949-23
Please leav	e your mobile number so you can be contacted in case of any last minute changes.
Notes:	Lunch is not included, you can order lunch at the local restaurant in Hồ Town where we will
	stop for lunch OR you can bring a picnic lunch from home.
	Registration after Friday 8 May 2015 will not be able to be supplied with insurance, but
	other benefits of the excursion will remain unchanged

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## <u>Music & Performance:</u> Vietnam's Classical & Traditional Music Tuesday, 12 May, 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

Join FVH for a special evening of Vietnamese classical and traditional music hosted at a villa by West Lake. This 'soiree' event will incorporate a variety of music styles in an intimate and relaxed setting.

More details will follow in early May.

Place: Lạc Long Quân St

Limit: 20 people

Registration: Helen Huntley, helenshuntley@yahoo.com

Please note that tickets will be purchased in advance for this event. If you sign up and then cancel or do not show up for the event, you will be liable for the full price of the ticket.

## **Discover Hanoi City Walk:**

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## St Joseph's Cathedral and the surrounding area Sunday, 17 May, 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM (English)

This walk commences at St Joseph's Cathedral and travels through some of the streets of the Old Quarter, including Lý Quốc Sư, Yên Thái, Hàng Quạt, and Hàng Trống. It also includes visits to two important temples (or Đền) and two community houses (or Đình).

Place: St Joseph's Cathedral on the corner of Nhà Thờ and Nhà Chung streets

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

**Registration:** Loan, phuongloan2704@gmail.com



Please leave your mobile phone number so we can contact you in case of any last minute changes. **Note:** Wear comfortable shoes and clothes as it may be hot or rainy, and bring plenty of water to drink.

## Excursion:

# Xứ Đông (the East of Red River Delta), Hải Phòng City and the Red River Delta and coastal area

Saturday, 23 May, 8:00 AM - Sunday, 24 May, 5:30 PM (English)

### Day 1

**8 am :** Start form Sofitel Plaza Hotel and drive along the Red River dike to Phố Hiến in Hưng Yên Province. This is the former old trading and harbor town on the west side of the Red River (similar to Hội An's old town) where we will visit the local some temples, the Chinese Assembly Hall and the Chuông pagoda.

**10.30 am** Continue on to drive across Triều Dương Bridge to visit Hới a traditional sedge mat making village to find the Vietnamese mattress.

**11.30 am** Arrive at Chèo a traditional opera village. In the ground of the village's communal house, we will sit and enjoy a show of popular traditional Chèo singing which originated as traditional comedy. Learn about the costumes and how to control the hand fan when performing. Take time afterwards to enjoy the countryside around the village.

**12.30 pm** Lunch in the local restaurant in the village .



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**1.30 pm** Continue our drive to Thái Bình City stopping to turn to visit the famous Keo Pagoda, the masterpiece of Vietnam traditional architecture. It's surrounded by a water pond situated in the rice fields and this may be the largest ancient wooden Pagoda in Vietnam still standing today.

**3.00 pm** Drive back to Thái Bình City and turn to Nam Định City, follow the road East to the seacoast and arrive in the Xuân Thủy National Park.

**4.30 pm** Check into the National Park Guest House and then a short tour to admire some of the many difference kinds of water birds that will be returning back to their nest in the late afternoon. This is where many bird lovers from all over the world come for bird watching.

7.00 pm Dinner at the guest house with local sea food on the menu.

### Day 2

**07.00 am** Breakfast in the Hotel with time for walking around to enjoy the landscape of the island.

**09.00 am** Checkout and drive back to Nam Định City to visit Cổ Lễ Pagoda, Phổ Minh's famous Pagoda and then Trần temple on the way. Drive via Highway 10 to Hải Phòng City, stop to see the Vĩnh Bảo tobacco farm along the way.

**11.30** am Arrive in Hải Phòng City, walk around the city center to try the local street food of Hải Phòng. Then off to visit the Hải Phòng Cathedral, Opera house, Lê Chân Temple and the Hàng Kênh communal House.

12.30 pm Lunch to enjoy some of Hải Phòng's specialties.

**1.30 pm** Continue on a short drive to the central market.

**2.30 pm** Start returns drive to Hanoi via Highway 5, a stop to visit Văn Miếu (Temple of Literature) in Hải Dương on the way.

5.30 pm We're back in Hanoi.

Place:	Outside of the Sofitel Plaza Hotel; On Yên Phu Rd, at the corner of Thanh Niên Rd
Cost:	2.500.000 VND per person includes: private group transport, Chèo Performance, 2 lunches,
	1 breakfast, 1 dinner, Twin Share accommodation at Guest House of Xuân Thủy National
	Park, entrance ticket if any, 2 bottles of water and insurance. If you wish to have Single
	Room, the extra cost is 200.000 VND
Limit ·	

Limit : 20 people

Registration: Mai, phmai@fpt.vn\_or 0917-2949-23

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

**Notes:** Minimum number of guests to make the trip is 5 guests . If we have below 5 guests, the trip may be delay to another time. Registration after Friday 22 May 2015 will not be able to secure insurance; other benefits of the excursion remain unchanged

### Discover Hanoi City Walk: History Museum Tuesday, 26 May, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (Japanese)

Our walk will be started from the entrance of History Museum. We will introduce Vietnamese History from Foundation of a nation to Declaration of Independence (-1945) and the Champa Kingdom, 1F & 2F. This walk is going to be conducted in Japanese.

Place:	History Museum, 01 Tràng Tiền St
Cost:	70,000 VND
Limit:	10 people

Registration: Manami Iwai, herijapan@yahoo.co.jp

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





## **Get Involved, Volunteer!**

## **Guidebook Research and Revision**

The Friends of Vietnam Heritage Publications group is asking for 4 volunteers to help with research and revision of one of FVH's guidebooks. Each volunteer will be assigned a walk or area for review. Research time can be flexible depending on your schedule and each area should take 2 to 4 hours. Two organizational meetings will be held later to review and present changes to publisher.

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



## Walking Guide

Have you ever been on one of FVH's fabulous walks and thought to yourself: "Wow! I want to be a guide just like that!"? Well, now you too have the chance – we have a very limited number of walks that need guiding, and you could be the lucky person to guide one of these walks!

#### Main duties once every 3-6 months:

- Schedule the walk by sending in a pre-written template to the FVH newsletter publisher
- Register and keep track of attendees
- Send out a reminder e-mail before the walk
- Guide the walk, check-in attendees, and collect the event fee
- Submit a follow-up report

Expected output: One activity every 3-6 months (except during summer months) Estimated time: 3 hrs per month For more information: Please email fvh.citywalks.english@gmail.com





## **Museum Spotlight**

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

Nguyễn Văn Huyên Road, Câu Giấy, Hà Nội Tel: (84-4) 3756-2193 Email: vme18@vme.org.vn www.vme.org.vn

<b>Bus Routes:</b>	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		
<b>Tour Prices:</b>	30,000 VND for tours in Vietnamese, 50,000 VND in		
	French and English		
Water Puppe	ts: 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	Jer .	

in the outdoor exhibition space. Special performance for

private parties and events can be arranged.

## <u>The Vietnamese Women's Museum</u> Bảo Tàng Phụ Nữ

36 Lý Thường Kiệt, Tel: (84-4) 3825-9936 www.baotangphunu.org.vn

<b>Bus Routes:</b>	Any bus that runs on Lê Duẩn,
	Hai Bà Trưng, or Trần Hưng Đạo
Hours:	Daily from 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
<b>Ticket Price:</b>	30,000 VND for Expats





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, Dông 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
<b>Bus Routes:</b>	5, 29, 33, 39, 44, 50

#### "Antique Market"

**Date:** 01 February **Location:** Hanoi Museum, Phạm Hùng St., Hanoi **Time:** 9:00am-4:30pm

Glimpse of the Past Antique Market, sponsored by the Hanoi Museum, has strict guidelines for vendor selection and monitoring of merchandise. The market is organized with the support and advice from members of the Thang Long Antiques Society. More than 70 booths display various objects from the recent and and more distant past, as well as from famous craft villages. Booth owners come from Hanoi and its surrounds.





## 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 National Museum of Vietnamese History Bảo Tàng Lich Sử

1 Tràng Tiền Street, Tel: (84-4) 3824-1384 / 3825-7753 Email: banbientap@nmvnh.org.vn www.baotanglichsu.vn

<b>Bus Routes:</b>	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



**Open:** 18 Nov 2014 **Location:** The National Museum of Vietnamese History

**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



## 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 Bach 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.

### 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.

#### 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 guides 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

**Friends of Vietnam Heritage** (FVH) is a non-formal group of mainly Hà Nội residents from many countries, including Việt Nam. FVH's purpose is to enjoy, enhance and deepen the understanding of Việt Nam's cultural and historical heritage and thereby help with its preservation. There is no membership fee to join.

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 fvheritage@gmail.com. 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 Commi	ttee: John Reilly - Chair; Yuko - Treasurer Helen Huntley - Vice Chair;

## 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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