

husi bei ala TIMOR SIRA NIA LIMAN

FROM THE HANDS OF OUR ANCESTORS

The art and craft of Timor-Leste



Seminar

Back from the Brink; Heritage, Culture and Art in Timor-Leste

Hosted by the Museum and Art Gallery Northern Territory

Back from the Brink; Heritage, Culture and Art from Timor-Leste public seminar focuses on the care of cultural heritage collections and the preservation of heritage sites in Timor-Leste.

This seminar complements the exhibition *Husi Bei Ala Timor Sira Nia Liman – From the Hands of Our Ancestors* which is jointly presented by the National Directorate of Culture, Timor-Leste and the Museum and Art Gallery Northern Territory. The exhibition features works from the National Collection of Timor-Leste, MAGNT, the Australian Museum and private loans.

Keynote speaker will be Mr Virgilio Simith, Secretary of State, Culture, Timor-Leste. Mr Simith will discuss developments for a proposed national museum of Timor-Leste.

Recent research findings, project initiatives and issues related to Timor-Leste cultural heritage will be presented by scholars, archaeologists, cultural workers, museum curators and conservators from Timor-Leste, Australia and Portugal.

Free admission – all welcome

Saturday 16 May 2009

9.30am – 5pm

**Museum and Art Gallery Northern Territory Theatrette,
Conacher Street, Bullocky Point, Darwin**

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Registration forms and seminar program are available by visiting the events page on the MAGNT website www.magnt.nt.gov.au.



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Curatorial Floortalk

Join Curator of Southeast Asian Art and Material Culture, Ms Joanna Barrkman, and Mr Virgilio Simith, Secretary of State Culture, Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste for a guided tour of the exhibition *From the Hands of Our Ancestors – Husi Bei Ala Timor Sira Nia Liman*. Highlights include works on display from the National Collection of Timor-Leste. *From the Hands of Our Ancestors* is an international exhibition of contemporary art and crafts from Timor-Leste including textiles, ceramics, wooden carvings and body adornment. The exhibition is showing at the Museum and Art Gallery Northern Territory until 12 July 2009.

Free admission – all welcome

Sunday 17 May 2009

11.00am – 12.15pm

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(Detail front and back) *Belak*, medallion decorated with *kaibauk*, presumed early 20th century, Ermera, copper alloy, 20 x 20 x 2 cm, Museum and Art Gallery Northern Territory, SEA 03532