

Title Lao New Year Community Celebration, New Britain, 2000

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Medium photographs

Description Photographs from a large community Lao New Year celebration organized by the Lao Association of Connecticut in New Britain on April 16, 2000. The photographs were taken by Harry Greenberg. (1-.6) Images of Lao Narthasin dancers at the Lao New Year community celebration. (.7-.8) Images of guest artist, dancer Sonal Vora performing an Indian dance at the Laotian New Year community celebration. (.9-.11) Images of Lao Narthasin dancers at the Lao New Year community celebration. (.12-.14) Images of a guest artist, West African drummer Abdoulaye Sylla and his group, performing at the Lao New Year community celebration. (.15) Image of a guest artist, a khene player, at the Lao

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New Year community celebration. (.16) Image of guest artist, Tibetan flute player Lakedhen Shingsur at the Lao New Year community celebration. (.17) Image of a Buddhist monk at the Lao New Year community celebration. (.18-.19) Images of Lao Narthasin dancers at the Lao New Year community celebration. (.20-.22) Images of miscellaneous moments from the Lao New Year community celebration. (.23) Image of Lao community member Mike Kounlivong talking to guest artist Lakedhen Shingsur at the Lao New Year community celebration. (.24-.25) Images of a musical performance by a khene player and Sisivath Inthisone singing molam at the Lao New Year community celebration. (.26-.27) Images of organizer Howard Phengsomphone with New Britain Mayor Lucien Pawlak, at the Lao New Year celebration. (.28-.29) Images of young women taking part in the Nang Sunkarn event presenting and celebrating the young women of the community who exemplify Lao cultural values such as kindness, learning, grace, respectful behavior, and good character. The participants, dressed in traditional clothes, give speeches to the gathering and take part in ceremonial processions at the Lao New Year community celebration. (.30) Image of the audience at the Lao New Year community celebration.