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Title SNEAP Year 18 Fieldwork: Lao Temple Carving

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Medium born digital photography

Description Photographs of a visit to the Wat Lao Ariyamettaram Temple in Morris, Connecticut to discuss the upcoming apprenticeship in Buddhist temple building and masonry with the resident monk. 2015.196.392.1: Image of people seated in front of monk Khoutavong. On the left are temple members with Silaphone Nhongvongsouthy and Howard Phengsomphone is on the right. 2015.196.392.2: Image of resident monk Khout with visiting monks from Rhode Island who would be his apprentices in temple building and masonry. 2015.196.392.3: Image of one of the visiting monks from Rhode Island holding carved and molded masonry made by Khout. 2015.196.392.4: Image of a floral

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molding made by Khout. 2015.196.392.5: Image of a statue of a carved deity

made by Khout on the grounds of the temple. 2015.196.392.6: Image of a zoning

location survey for proposed improvements to The Lao Buddha Ariyamett Aram

Temple on East Street in Morris, Connecticut. 2015.196.392.7: Image of a

blueprint showing proposed improvements to The Lao Buddha Ariyamett Aram

Temple, including the roof, foundation, and soffits. 2015.196.392.8-.11: Images

of temple decorations made of wax. 2015.196.392.12: Image of visiting monks

from Rhode Island, Xiao and Somchay, at the side door of the temple. All the

carvings have been created by Khout. 2015.196.392.13: Image of two statues

carved by Khout on the grounds of the temple. 2015.196.392.14: Image of a

dragon decoration at the front entrance of the temple. 2015.196.392.15: Image

of the decorative front entrance of the temple. 2015.196.392.16: Image of visiting

monks from Rhode Island, Xiao and Somchay, at the shrine of Buddha at the

entrance to the temple grounds. 2015.196.392.17: Image of the statue of Buddha

at the entrance to the temple grounds. 2015.196.392.18: Image of decorative

elements of the temple. 2015.196.392.19: Image of the decorative gateway at the

road, Rt 109 in Morris. 2015.196.392.20-.21: Images of decorative features at the

front entrance to the building. 2015.196.392.22: Image of a deity statue at the

side entrance to the building. 2015.196.392.23: Image of devotional shrines and

statues outdoors. 2015.196.392.24: Image of a devotional shrine on the temple

grounds. 2015.196.392.24: Image of the new house of worship on the temple

grounds. 2015.196.392.26: Image of a carved and painted deity. 2015.196.392.27-.
29: Images of masonry carvings being prepared for a new building that Khout

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was constructing. 2015.196.392.30: Image of the altar with a statue of Buddha

and carved floral decorations inside the new house of worship. 2015.196.392.31:

Image of a close up view of the pedestal on which the statue of Buddha rests.

2015.196.392.32: Image of a vase with flowers next to a pa khuane, decoration

made of bamboo leaves. There is a note on vase written in Lao language.

2015.196.392.33-.34: Images of the altar with a statue of Buddha and carved

floral decorations inside the new house of worship.