



Launch invitation: Safeguarding endangered forms of cultural expression of the Fataluku people web resource

Friday 15 July, 3 pm, Centro Cultura Lautem, Lospalos Sentral.

The launch marks the end of the first stage of a research project undertaken by Many Hands International to document endangered forms of cultural expression of the Fataluku people. Over a year, our team of local researchers visited Fataluku communities throughout the Administrative Posts of Lospalos, Lautem and Tutuala, recording more than thirty elements of cultural heritage in text, videos and photos. This information was analysed, translated and uploaded to our website. Information collected is now freely available in English and Fataluku, presented in sections: musical instruments, songs, stories, traditional knowledge and craftsmanship, including pottery and weaving and tools. Future stages will include ongoing collection and analysis of cultural information and provision of material in Tetun and Indonesian. It is hoped that this valuable information will eventually be displayed in the museum planned for the Centro Cultura Lautem, for all community members to enjoy.

Web resource: www.manyhands.org.au

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