



Dokumentu kultura Fataluku ne'ebe amesandu atu lakon
Documenting endangered forms of cultural expression
of the Fataluku people

Holly Schauble, Ildefonso da Silva, Tessa Toumbourou, Kim Dunphy



Many Hands International
culture based community development

Cultural assets-based community development in Timor-Leste



Promoting cultural vitality as part of a creative, healthy, viable society
MHI Director Holly Schauble, Team Leader Nelinha Pereira



Many Hands International
culture based community development

MHI's objectives

We seek to make a positive contribution to communities with whom we work by:

- ***Fostering cultural vitality*** through supporting cultural maintenance and opportunities for creative expression.
- ***Improving social cohesion*** through activities that engender health, well-being and co-operation.
- ***Stimulating economic development*** through skills, job and enterprise creation in the arts, crafts and culture-based tourism industries.
- ***Exemplifying environmental sustainability*** through sustainable project design and implementation.
-



Our people

Volunteer Directors:

Dr. Kim Dunphy, Holly Schauble and Vin Ashcroft,
former Head of AusAid, Timor-Leste, 2011-2014

Staff:

Nelinha Pereira, Team Leader;
Ildefonso da Silva, Researcher;
Thomas Lopes, Health Promotion Officer;
Cesario Lourdes, Youth Arts Officer

Tessa Toumbourou, researcher (Australia)



Many Hands International
culture based community development

Centro Cultura Lospalos



Establishment of a community and tourist resource:

- performing arts centre,
- kiosk and ticket box,
- workshop spaces,
- studio and offices



Many Hands International
culture based community development

Documenting Endangered Forms of Cultural Expression of the Fataluku people

The project sought to help re-invigorate critically endangered forms of cultural expression by

- recording those cultural forms;
- building local capacity to preserve cultural heritage; and
- providing Fataluku people with opportunities to view and learn more about their cultural heritage.

30 cultural heritage elements – many practiced in different forms - were recorded in the Lautem district between 2012 and 2013.



Many Hands International
culture based community development

Presenting our findings

Ildefonso da Silva, Tessa Dunphy Toumbourou
researchers

www.manyhands.org.au



Many Hands International
culture based community development



[Web resource](#)

Disseminating our findings Fahe peskiza ne'e

Dr Kim Dunphy, Director



Many Hands International
culture based community development

Disseminating our findings

Fahe peskiza ne'e

- Presentations to participants across Lautem district
- Conferences and publications
- On-line resource- accessed mostly by Fataluku in UK



Many Hands International
culture based community development

Access to the information: data analytics



Many Hands International

Created: Dec 1, 2015 • Videos: 78

CHANNEL

Last 28 days (Jun 20, 2016 – Jul 17, 2016)

Watch time

Minutes

5,278 ▼



Average view duration

Minutes

1:49 ▼




























Views

2,903 ▼



Many Hands International
culture based community development

Access to the information: data analytics

<input type="checkbox"/>	 0:58	Fataluku traditional house (Uma Lulik/Lee ia valu) CC May 25, 2016 9:58 PM Edit	 225 views	 0  1  0
<input type="checkbox"/>	 5:18	rata lolo May 24, 2016 10:46 PM Edit	 408 views	 0  4  0
<input type="checkbox"/>	 5:04	halu vaihoho HD May 24, 2016 9:37 PM Edit	 261 views	 1  0  0
<input type="checkbox"/>	 2:54	halu vaihoho CC May 24, 2016 9:03 PM Edit	 237 views	 1  1  0
<input type="checkbox"/>	 2:29	Vaihoho May 17, 2016 2:28 PM Edit	 260 views	 0  0  0



Many Hands International
culture based community development

Disseminating our findings

Fahe peskiza ne'e

Return visits to
communities
with on-line
resource



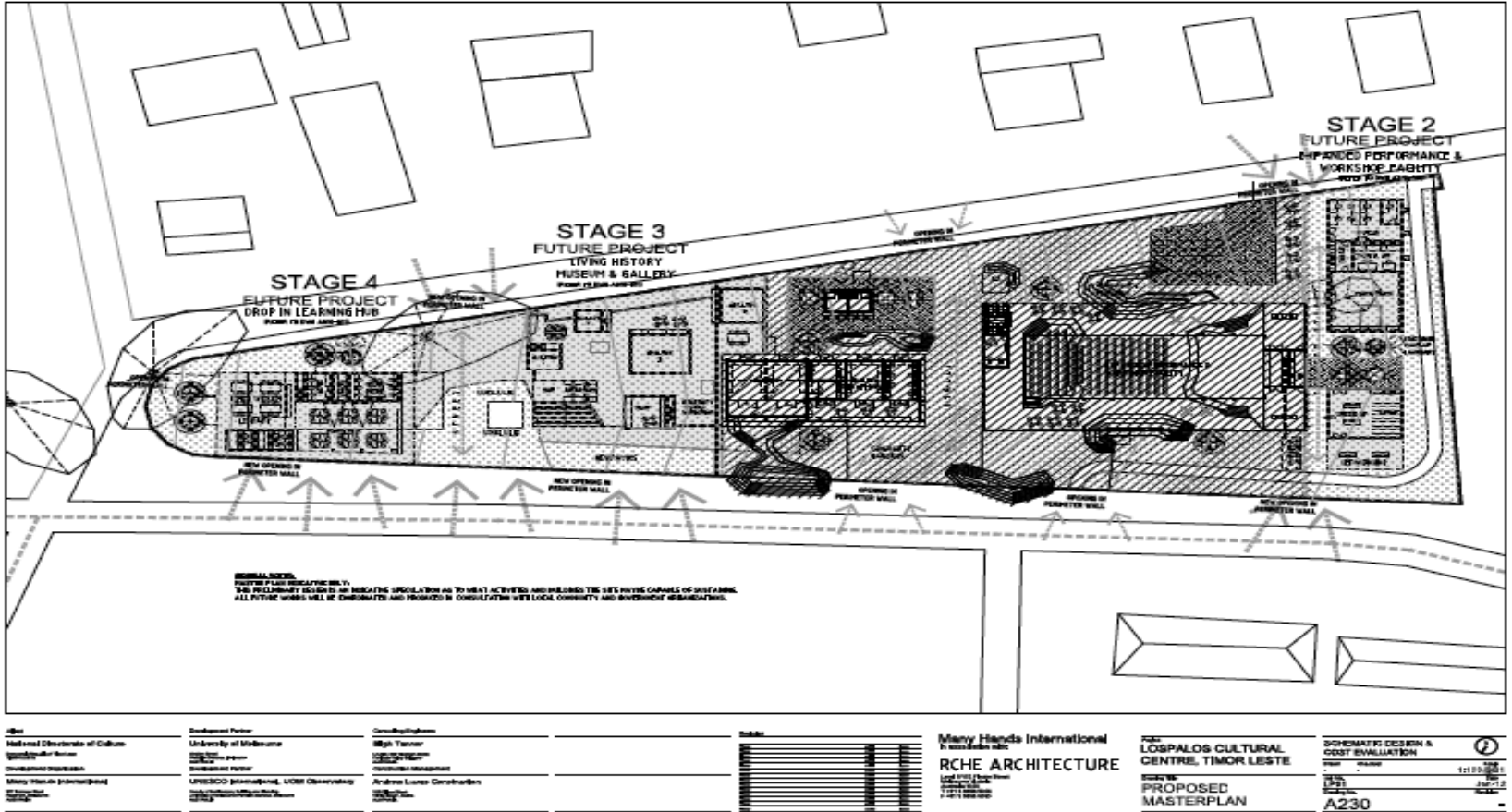
Sr Henrique Lopes of Malahara meets Australian musician Lina Andonovska



Many Hands International
culture based community development

Disseminating our findings

Fahe peskiza ne'e



Future stages Centro Cultura Lautem:
museum, gallery, library/ learning centre, café and shop.

Disseminating our findings

Fahe peskiza ne'e

- supporting the work of SETAC, Ministry of Tourism
- inspiring other communities to record their own cultural heritage
- promoting cultural tourism
- informing school curricula and out of school arts training such as Academy of Arts
- diaspora communities
- other researchers



Many Hands International
culture based community development

Future activities pending funding

- Translation of whole web resource into Tetun and Fataluku
- Many more elements as yet undocumented, including group activities like dance



Tutuala dance group



Many Hands International
culture based community development

Future activities pending funding

- New research:
- Publication of Sr Justino's collection of *vaihoho* songs reported to be 1000
- Other cultural groups in Lautem, such as Makassae and Makalero, and others across face the same risks of cultural endangerment



Vaihoho singers at Festival Lautem 2013



Many Hands International
culture based community development

Acknowledgements



MHI acknowledges the valued support of the US Embassy, US Ambassadors' Fund for Cultural Preservation, Deakin University, RMIT and University of Melbourne.



Many Hands International
culture based community development



Every nation has a culture that underpins the way of life. According to the traditions of Lautem, our culture enables us to have strong unity and friendship. If we lose our culture, we lose our identity. All the information we have collected in this project informs us about the original culture of our ancestors.

Sr. Justino Valentim,
Senior Researcher, 1954-2014

www.manyhands.org.au



Many Hands International
culture based community development