



Monthly Commentary

Welcome back!

As a recipient of our monthly Heritage Update, you are an active participant who is helping to protect China's cultural heritage. Thank you for your support.

We are currently managing two ethnic minority cultural revitalization projects: the Congjiang Archive project and the Qiang Minority Archive project. Both of these stemmed from the success of CHP's pilot ethnic minority project, the Mengma Archive, which was conducted five years ago. If you would like to learn more about the secrets to success of this project, we warmly invite you to attend the second lecture of the CHP-UCCA Cooperation Series [The Mengma Archive – Helping the Dai minority protect its own cultural heritage.](#)

In addition, CHP asks you to pay special attention to the new development project in Gulou (also known as the Drum and Bell Tower neighborhood). This charming and unique area of Beijing, with its history, famous landmarks, and culturally colorful lifestyle, may all be about to disappear.

The fate of Gulou lies in your hands. [Find out more](#) about how you can participate and share your thoughts here.

Beijing Cultural Heritage Protection Center

Awareness Events

Saving Gulou: Demolition threat to Old Beijing



Date: Saturday 27 March, 2010

Time: 2.30-5.30pm

Venue: Contempio No.4 Zhangwang Hutong

北京市东城区旧鼓楼大街张旺胡同 4 号

Language: Chinese

Featuring:

He Shuzhong | CHP Founder and Chairman, cultural heritage legal expert

Wang Jun | Xinhua Senior Reporter, author of Chengji

Bian Lanchun | Architecture professor at Tsinghua University

More speakers to be confirmed.

This event is free. No pre-registration is required. [Read more](#)

“The Mengma Archive – Helping the Dai minority protect its own cultural heritage”

the second lecture of the CHP-UCCA Cooperation Series: All for the cultural rights of local residents.



Mr. He Shuzhong, founder of CHP and cultural conservation expert, will be the main speaker.

Time: 14 March 2010, 10.30am-12.30pm

Venue: Auditorium, UCCA

798 Art District, No. 4 Jiuxianqiao Lu, Chaoyang District

[UCCA website](#)

CHP Support

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Media mobilization

[China Daily] [Heritage in Rubble](#) | 22 February, 2010



Government and public urged to rescue endangered cultural relics amid the city's rapid urbanization drive

While the demolition of a hutong is a sad scene for most Beijingers, the wrecking crews at least have a silver lining for He Feihao, who grabs the opportunity to hunt for cultural relics.

He received a call a few days ago that a hutong in southwestern Beijing would soon be demolished, triggering him to plan a visit to hunt for ancient artifacts before they disappear under piles of rubble.

[Read more](#)

[CCTV今日说法] [Program Video: Beizhongbu Hutong Memory](#) | 28 February, 2010

Under the Provisional Regulations Governing the Management of the Designation of Cultural Relics, seven Beijing residents filed an appeal to the State Administration of Cultural Heritage seeking the national-level protection of Liang Sicheng and Lin Huiyin's former residence.

