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THE ANNOUCEMENT  
ON  
“TRAINING TOMORROW'S FILM DIRECTORS AND PROMOTING EXCHANGE AND ARCHIVAL  
DEVELOPMENT THROUGH CAMBODIA'S FILMMAKING”

**Phnom Penh City, Cambodia** - Bophana Audiovisual Resource Center is pleased to announce it has been awarded a three-year grant of 500,000 USD from the Henry Luce Foundation to support the center's program “*Training tomorrow's film directors and promoting exchange and archival development through Cambodia's filmmaking*” from 2022 to 2025.

The program aims at building the capacity of Cambodian youths to be future filmmakers and supporting them to produce films across the topics of their interest; and supporting the development of expertise in-and-about Southeast Asia through the fostered engagement between Cambodian and American institutions.

The program provides full one-year fellowships to 36 Khmer and indigenous youths from different communities in Cambodia on documentary filmmaking from theory to practice. The trainees will learn the whole process of documentary film production (pre-production, production and post-production) so that they are able to produce short films that examine the complex range of political, economic and social issues that affect marginalized communities in Cambodia.

In partnership with the University of California, Berkeley, (UC-B) and the Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive (BAMPFA), the program will organize the annual reciprocal two-week exchange that will, in turn, bring Bophana archivists to BAMPFA to expand their expertise in the areas of film preservation and archival management to further expand the public's access to Cambodia's cultural audiovisual memories.

### **About the Henry Luce Foundation**

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