

Profile

Cairns & District Chinese Assoc. Inc. M&GSQ Standards Program 2007



"Inspirations from the Past: celebrating the Chinese community in Cairns" exhibition, Cairns Regional Gallery 9 Dec 2005 to 5 Feb 2006



Buk Ti, God of the North (painting on glass)



Kuan Yin Goddess of Mercy (wooden deity statue)

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'Did You Know' – intriguing facts about the Museum & its collection

- ◆ Grafton Street in Cairns was the site of the largest Chinatown in Queensland during the late 19th century. It was home to two Chinese temples. The furnishings of one temple, the Lit Sung Goong, have been preserved by the Cairns & District Chinese Assoc. Inc.
- ◆ The collection has recently been catalogued electronically, professionally photographed and offers great research potential in the areas of Chinese history, art, culture and religious practices.
- ◆ Artefacts from the Lit Sung Goong Temple are on display at the Cairns Historical Society Museum in the Cairns City Place.

Our Profile

The Cairns and District Chinese Assoc. Inc (CADCAI) is committed to the preservation of Chinese heritage in North Queensland. It is custodian of a significant collection of artefacts from the Lit Sung Goong temple, which operated in Cairns from 1877 to 1964. The collection, produced in China and brought to Cairns in the late 19th century, is one of the last tangible links to the early Cairns Chinese settlers.

Our goal is to build a Chinese Heritage and Cultural Centre to house the collection. Until then the collection is accessible to the public by appointment and we welcome enquiries.

What the Standards Program has meant for our Museum

- ◆ We have gained further knowledge and understanding of best museum practice. Our Heritage Group is preparing written policies for all aspects of museum and collection management. Our achievements include:
 - identifying management priorities
 - developing action plans
 - preparing collection policies and procedures
 - furthering our knowledge to develop our strategic and business plans
- ◆ The recognition for the work we have already done during the past six years. It is important to us that our efforts are recognised and encouraged.