

Artifacts coming home

Important pieces of our history are scattered all over the world. Cities with Chamorro artifacts include Acapulco, Mexico; Washington, D.C.; Madrid, Spain; Milan, Italy; Rome, Italy; Paris, France; Sydney, Australia; and Honolulu, Hawaii.

Joseph Cameron, President of the Department of Chamorro Affairs (DCA), said many of these items will finally return home. "Some of our island's most important artifacts will be repatriated and be displayed at the GCEF for our younger generations to learn from."

In order for the process of repatriation can begin, the GCEF must meet or exceed the standards of accreditation from museums that currently hold some of Guam's treasures.

"I certainly want to dispel any concerns any Museum has in Guam's ability to safeguarding these," said Cameron.

Cameron added a lot of work has gone in to creating the exhibits to be featured within the Museum. "The non profit organization, Guam Museum Foundation, Inc.'s Educational Quality sub-committee has worked diligently with DCA along with exhibit designer Barry Howard to ensure the historic accuracy of each exhibit as well as creating an entertaining and exciting journey through the Museum. I am confident that both visitors and residents will be impressed."

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