



Hue, the former capital of Vietnam and often called its cultural center, is a coastal city located on the beautiful Perfume River. It is also one of New Haven's seven Sister Cities, a relationship that was established in 1994 and celebrated with a visit from the Mayor of Hue the following year.

This June, Barbara Lamb, New Haven's Director of Cultural Affairs and president of New Haven Sister Cities, just returned from her first visit to Hue. The public is invited to hear about her trip and to learn more about the Sister Cities project.



"I had no idea what to expect when I got off the plane in Hue, but was so excited to finally be there. It was such a contrast from Ho Chi Minh City, which I'd just left in southern Vietnam. And while it is so different from New Haven, Hue is, in so many way, so similar--small and welcoming yet cosmopolitan and engaging. With UNESCO world heritage sites and an interesting imperial history, this former capital city has great architecture, lots of culture, strong educational institutions and friendly people. Four days was not nearly enough time for all I needed to learn about this interesting place."—Barbara Lamb

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