

Phuket named 'City of Gastronomy' by Unesco

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (Unesco) has dubbed Phuket a "City of Gastronomy", recognising the island's rich culinary history and unique cuisine.

"Being chosen as a member of the Unesco Creative Cities Network as a 'City of Gastronomy' is a wonderful honour for Phuket," said Unesco directorgeneral Irina Bokova.

Efforts to collate recipes and historical information of local Baba (Straits Chinese) cuisine in order to have Phuket Town recognised as a City of Gastronomy have been ongoing since 2011.