



Nepal is one of those few nations where ancient traditional arts and architectures are well preserved. It was once the destination for arts and architecture and even today, many of its craft skills are still undiminished. Nepalese arts touch the pulse of the people across the globe and it reflects the spirit and mystery of its culture and tradition.

The best examples of Nepalese creativity lies in the variety of traditional handicrafts found today all over. The Newars of **Kathmandu valley**, Once a lake, Kathmandu valley is the union of three Newar sister cities namely Kathmandu, Lalitpur and Bhaktapur. Surrounded by hills on all the sides, Kathmandu valley has always remained the center of Nepalese civilization and current modern urbanization of Nepal. Kathmandu is the capital city of Nepal are the most creative ones of all. They are the best in arts like Wood carvings and their creative excellence can be found practically in anything like temples, statues, photo frames, household items, windows. The

Newars

Newar people are the indigenous people of Kathmandu Valley. They are known to excel in arts like wood crafting, pottery, music (mainly percussion and wind instruments), dance and paintings. Their arts today are mainly displayed in temples although many of their houses still have elaborate woodcarvings. The Newars are till date devoted to their ancient cultural skills and have been passing it to forthcoming generation since history. are till date devoted to their ancient cultural skills and have been passing it to forthcoming generation since history. This is why their works are so perfect that they have been loved and valued by all, all over the world.

Likewise, Newars the best sculptures especially of gods which are also very popular amongst all. Nepalese use them for rituals while the tourists take them back home as souvenirs. Apart from wood, these sculptures are made of metal and stones. Newars love creative arts and Metal carving is no exception. Beautifully carved metal replicas of temples and decorative items like **singing bowl**,



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Historians claim that the Nepali Sarangi is 600 years old, and is said to have been brought to the region by the soldiers of the British Army.



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Madal: Nepali Music {end-tooltip}, {tooltip} **Bansuri** {end-texte}

