

**"INTERESTING EPISODES FROM  
SRI LANKAN HISTORY"**



**LECTURE BY  
FREDERICK MEDIS**

**THE NATIONAL TRUST - SRI LANKA**

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25TH JUNE 2015 AT 6.30 PM.  
AT HNB AUDITORIUM,  
22ND FLOOR, HNB TOWERS,  
479, T. B. JAYAH MAWATHA, COLOMBO 10.

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**THE NATIONAL TRUST – SRI LANKA LECTURE ON THURSDAY 25<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2015**  
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The 74<sup>th</sup> Session of the Monthly Lecture Series of the National Trust - Sri Lanka will be held at the HNB Auditorium, 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor, HNB Towers, 479 T.B. Jayah Mawatha, Colombo 10 at 6.30 p.m. on Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup> June 2015. Frederick Medis will lecture on “Interesting Episodes from Sri Lankan History”



Arrival of Sebalde de Weert in Matecalo/Batticaloa

Frederick Medis is a Fellow of the Commonwealth Society of Antiquarians. He is the President of the Royal Commonwealth Society and Vice President of the Ceylon Society of Arts at the National Art Gallery. He is also a Past President of the Sri Lanka-Japan Friendship Society and the Ceylon Numismatic Society and the Philatelic Society.

He was former Vice-President of the Royal Asiatic Society where he was Chairman of the Toponymy Committee where research into place names was done. He has researched into around 900 place names in Sri Lanka tracing them back to their Portuguese, Dutch, Tamil, Pali and Sanskrit origins. He is a writer, lecturer and broadcaster in History, Numismatics, Philately, Art and Religion. Many of these have been published and broadcast in English, Sinhala, Tamil, French and German. Mr. Medis also holds a British Diploma in Fashion Design and holds a Cambridge award as International Man of the year 2004.

Fred Medis last lectured for the National Trust - Sri Lanka in August 2012. His lecture was titled “An Anecdotal Survey of Street and Place names in the district of Colombo”

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