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Brief Introduction to Henan Museum

Henan Museum, a time-honored museum in China, was founded in 1927. On May 1, 1998, the newly-built museum was inaugurated. This state-of-the-art national-level museum is now the largest artifact collection, protection, research and exhibition center in central China, covering an area of 100,000 square meters.

The Museum has collected about 300,000 artifacts over the past 80 years, most of which were unearthed in Henan. Dating from antiquity to the modern age, these varied objects represent an impressive historical continuity. The Museum is particularly famous for the bronze, ceramics, porcelain and jade ware in its collection.

A four-time winner of National Excellence Award for Museum Exhibitions, Henan Museum offers a wide array of exciting exhibitions, including travelling exhibitions in around 20 Chinese provinces and over 20 countries. It has six well-known public education programs, and the annual visitors exceed 2 million for years in a row. Building on its abundant research findings, the Museum runs the core journal *Cultural Relics of Central China*, which has a well-deserved reputation among Chinese and international readers.

In recent years, Henan Museum pays much more attention to Ceramics activities. Especially in December of 2016, Henan Museum successfully hosted the "First Central China International Ceramics Biennale", which elaborately prepared about three years, and received consentaneous reputation and gained wide public concern; In addition, Henan Museum joined NCECA and participated in the 50th NCECA annual conference in the spring of 2016.