

# Tet Traditional Activities

## Tet “Neu” Pole Erecting Ceremony



In Vietnamese tradition, a bamboo pole called a Neu tree is erected on the few days before the lunar year to ward off evil, honor deities, and seek blessings for the New Year. It is taken down on the when marking the ancestors’ return to heaven.

## Calligraphy Given by the Scholar



During the Lunar New Year, people visit scholars to share their wishes for the year ahead. The scholars express these wishes through beautifully crafted calligraphy, which is believed to hold the power to transform aspirations into reality.

## Pick a Lucky Envelope



The Red Envelope, also known as “Li Xi” or “Hong Bao”, is a popular Tet custom in the hope of bringing better things in the future. It has become indispensable in Vietnamese people’s lives whenever the Lunar New Year comes.





