**Paris, France**
**Unseen artwork is shown**
Drawings and paintings by Tove Jansson, the creator of the Moomins, are to be shared in public for the first time at a new exhibition in Paris. Jansson is best known for her illustrated stories about troll-like creatures called Moomins, but she created lots of different art throughout her lifetime. The exhibition will also showcase work by artists who inspired Jansson.

**Djenné, Mali**
**Thousands help protect mosque**
Thousands of people gathered to repair the walls of the Great Mosque in Djenné. The work happens every year to protect the Muslim place of worship, which is the world’s largest mud-brick building. It is done before the rainy season, when part of the walls can be washed away. Children joined in to re-plaster the walls with mud.

**Rome, Italy**
**Statues to go on display**
A collection of 2,300-year-old bronze statues are going on display in Rome’s Quirinale Palace from 22 June. A retired binman, Stefano Petrini, helped archaeologists (experts who study the past through man-made objects) find the statues, which were dug up in the village of San Casciano dei Bagni in 2021. Petrini remembered spotting bits of ancient Roman columns in his friend’s garden many years ago.

**Amazon rainforest, Brazil**
**A promise to end deforestation**
Brazil’s president, Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva (known as Lula), says he will stop illegal deforestation in Brazil’s Amazon rainforest by 2030. Deforestation is when trees are cut down for wood or to make space for farming. Lula called the move “climate security for the world”, because trees absorb carbon dioxide, a gas that causes climate change.

**Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**
**Religious texts restored**
Priests and worshippers are working to recreate ancient texts and artworks on goat skin, which is also known as parchment. The work began four years ago at the Hamere Berhan Institute in Ethiopia’s capital. The goat skins are stretched and dried in the sun before being stripped of hair and fat. Then the text is carefully written onto the parchment using a bamboo pen and traditional inks made from local plants.
Lapland, Finland
Cold summer up north
Finland has experienced its coldest June temperature on record. On 1 June, a weather monitoring station in Lapland, in the north of the country, recorded a chilly -7.7°C. Winter temperatures in Lapland can be as low as -50°C. However, the Sun doesn’t set in Lapland in mid-summer, so this is a surprise. The last time Lapland hit -7°C in June was in 1962. This time it is because of an unusual weather pattern.

Syria
Brothers make toys out of rubbish
A 12-year-old boy living in a camp for displaced people is making toys out of scrap materials. Ibrahim Al-Naes and his brother Ali had to leave their village in Syria because of war. They collect things like cans and bottles and use scissors and tools to make them into toy vehicles, fixing each other’s mistakes. Ibrahim wants to be an engineer.

Singapore
University opens wooden building
Nanyang Technological University has unveiled a new building made almost entirely from wood. Named after the ancient Greek goddess of the Earth, Gaia, it’s designed to make visitors feel as if they’re walking through trees. Toyo Ito, who designed it, told CNN he wanted to create a “connection with – and a feeling of – nature”.

Mayon, Philippines
Volcano eruption prompts evacuation
More than 13,000 people have been moved to safety since Mount Mayon started to ooze lava (hot liquid rock). People living within 3.7 miles of the volcano have been told to leave and more could follow if the eruption becomes more violent. Mount Mayon, the Philippines’ most active volcano, last had a big eruption in 2018.

K’gari, Australia
Island renamed
An island on Australia’s east coast has been given back its original name – K’gari (pronounced “gurri”). It was called Fraser Island for nearly 200 years, in memory of Eliza Fraser, who was shipwrecked there. However, she told unpleasant lies about the local Butchulla people, who have lived there for at least 5,000 years. K’gari is the world’s largest sand island, known for its lakes and dingoes (wild dogs).

K’Gari’s Lake McKenzie.

Mount Mayon spewing smoke.

The wooden building.

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