

Honouring the Tourism Industry Players



THE 18TH MALAYSIA TOURISM AWARDS 2012/2013

20 February 2014

Grand Ballroom, Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre

Themed as "Mystical Rainforests", the 18th Malaysia Tourism Awards 2012/2013 dubbed as the "Oscar" of the tourism industry in Malaysia was filled with glitz and glamour, and a tinge of mystics with usherettes and dancers in iridescent costumes depicting the flora and fauna and wildlife of Malaysia, and the 130 million years old rainforest and cave setting.



The prestigious biennial Malaysia Tourism Awards 2012/2013 was officiated by YB Dato' Seri Mohamed Nazri bin Tan Sri Abdul Aziz, Minister of Tourism and Culture Malaysia and attended by more than 1,000 guests, comprising industry players, senior officials from the Ministry of Tourism and Culture Malaysia, Tourism Malaysia and state tourism offices as well as other organisations. The event honoured individuals and organisations who have contributed extensively to the development of Malaysia's tourism industry.



A total of 47 titles representing 12 categories were bestowed upon recipients following a stringent selection process by a panel of 59 qualified and experienced judges. The recipient of the coveted Minister Special Award was YBhg. Dato' Dahlan Mohd Rasaid, Managing Director of DR Group Holdings Sdn Bhd. As this year is Visit Malaysia Year, the Awards is a fitting tribute to all industry players and will further boost them to make the year-long celebration a huge success.



Fostering Unity at Chinese New Year Open House

THE NATIONAL LEVEL CHINESE NEW YEAR OPEN HOUSE

8 February 2014

Taiping, Perak

Over 30,000 guests attended the National Level Chinese New Year Open House hosted by the Ministry of Tourism and Culture in collaboration with the Perak State Government. The prolific arts and cultural heritage of the Chinese community of Malaysia enlivened the Open House celebration. The multi-ethnic guests were entertained by cultural performances and demonstrations from local Chinese art groups such as the Muar World Champion Lion Dance, the Taiping Dragon Dance, Penang Chingay Group, the Chinese Erhu Orchestra and Istana Budaya performers. The Open House graced by the Prime Minister YAB Dato' Seri Diraja Mohd Najib bin Tun Abdul Razak also featured the traditional 'yee sang', the highlight of the Chinese New Year celebration.



Sepang Comes Alive

FORMULA 1 PETRONAS MALAYSIA GRAND PRIX OFFICIAL 3D LAUNCH 2014

16 February 2014

Pavilion Kuala Lumpur

Sepang International Circuit (SIC) the promoter of the event and title sponsor PETRONAS have officially launched the 16th edition of Formula 1 PETRONAS Malaysia Grand Prix recently. Graced by Dato' Mokhzani Mahathir, Chairman of Sepang International Circuit at Pavilion Kuala Lumpur, the launch also kicked off a four-venue Formula 1 roadshows which will be one of the avenues to engage motorsports fans. With the theme "Sepang Comes Alive", the roadshow will give an insight into the race weekend at SIC which includes thrilling entertainment, games, an all-new 3D exhibition experience, access to the One Ticket Unlimited Rewards programme and a round of the renowned F1 Simulator Challenge.



Inspiring Young Artists

THE AWARD CEREMONY OF CONTEMPORARY YOUNG TALENT, BAKAT MUDA SEZAMAN (BMS) 2013

12 February 2014

National Visual Art Gallery, Kuala Lumpur

National Visual Art Gallery or Balai Seni Visual Negara (BSVN) held the Contemporary Young Talent Award 2013 to give recognition to artists below the age of 40. The event which included an award ceremony and exhibition was officiated by YB Dato' Seri Mohamed Nazri bin Tan Sri Abdul Aziz, the Minister of Tourism and Culture Malaysia. The competition was held since 1974 and organised by Balai Seni Visual Negara (BSVN). BMS 2013 featured a total of 28 artworks by 28 young Malaysian professionals selected from 137 entries, including those from Sabah and Sarawak. The ceremony was also graced by the YBhg Dato' Mahadzir Lokman, the Chairman of the National Visual Arts Development Board, and YBrs Encik Hamed bin Masjak, the Director General, National Visual Arts Development Board.



Exploring Kuala Lumpur



1MALAYSIA KL HERITAGE XPLOPACE 2014

22 February 2014

Kuala Lumpur Tower

The fourth edition of 1Malaysia KL Heritage Xplorace 2014 organised by Menara Kuala Lumpur Sdn. Bhd saw the participation of 530 people exploring Kuala Lumpur city within a 15-kilometre radius by foot and using public transportation such as LRT, Monorail and buses at ten "checkpoints". The event aims to introduce and promote the historical and heritage sites in Kuala Lumpur as well as to create awareness among Malaysians especially the youth on the importance of appreciating our national heritage.



Welcoming the World's Greatest Sports Stars

NOMINATIONS PRESS CONFERENCE FOR THE LAUREUS WORLD SPORTS AWARDS 2014

26 February 2014

Shangri-La Hotel Lobby, Kuala Lumpur

Kuala Lumpur has been given the honour to host the prestigious 2014 Laureus World Sports Awards. At the nominations press conference, YB Dato' Seri Mohamed Nazri bin Tan Sri Abdul Aziz, the Minister of Tourism and Culture said, "The city looks forward to staging this internationally-renowned event and welcoming a plethora of sporting legends to Malaysia." A glittering line-up of the world's greatest sports stars, including Usain Bolt, Serena Williams, Sebastian Vettel and Tiger Woods have been nominated for the 2014 Laureus World Sports Awards and the winners will be announced on 26 March 2014. The 15th Laureus World Sports Awards is the premier global sports awards on the international sporting calendar which recognise the greatest sportsmen and women across all sports for the year 2013.

