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Display of Asean art masterworks to mark summit

KUALA LUMPUR, Tues. - An art exhibition entitled Asean Masterworks will be held here in conjunction with the Asean summit, Special Envoy of the Prime Minister and Special Adviser of the Exhibition Committee, Tan Sri Ahmad Kamil Jaafar announced at Wisma Putra today.

Asean Masterworks will showcase 60 of the very best art works of the region in its bid to open the door to the world of Fine arts.

Organised by the Asean Secretariat; Valentine Willie Fine Art with the support of Wisma Putra, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the event will exhibit six of the very best artwork which will be selected from the visiting eight member countries and 12 from the host country.

The nine member countries are Indonesia, Thailand, Singapore, Philippines, Brunei Darussalam, Vietnam, Myanmar, Laos, and hosts Malaysia.

The exhibition is sponsored by Yayasan Al Bukhary.

Secretary-General of Asean and Special Adviser to the Exhibition, Datuk Ajit Singh said: "This is the first of such exhibition to be held, and we should be honoured to host it."

The exhibition which will be officiated by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad at 12.30pm on Dec 15, will witness the presence of the Heads of State or Heads of Government of the member States and 300 invited guests.

The show will be open for the Asean Summit which will be held on Dec 14 to 16 at the Mines Resort and thereafter, the National Art Gallery will handle the exhibition from Jan 15 to Jan 31 next year where the public will have free access to view the exhibition.

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