

# Captions help tell the story of the birth of a nation

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In the first phase, *The Spirit of Nationalism*, visitors will see the pictorial events leading to Umno's formation. As one progresses further, one sees the chain of events leading to the Merdeka mission, its proclamation, the communist insurgency and the formation of Malaysia in detailed black and white images.

To ensure the accuracy of accompanying captions, Lim and his team referred to a historical volume on Government and Politics edited by Professor Datuk Dr Zakaria Haji Ahmad.

Tunku Datin Paduka Khadijah, the

daughter of Tunku Abdul Rahman and her husband, Datuk Syed Hussein, were among the distinguished visitors to the exhibition so far.

Lim has also done historical photo exhibitions of the Malaysian monarchy. His last exhibition, *Dirgahayu*, in 2005 at the National Art Gallery, showcased close to 1,000 photographs of sultans past and present with their subjects and the roles they played in shaping the country's history.

Malaysia's *Struggle for Independence* is on display at Stadium Merdeka. Entry is free and exhibition times follow working hours. For enquiries, call Canvas Art at 03-7726 7116.



**National spirit:**  
A mural traces the history of Umno.



**Better times:**  
Images of the Tunku and Lee Kuan Yew.



**Kicker:** The murals help trace a historical journey.