

**Musical to raise funds for needy children**  
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PUTRAJAYA: Children from Permata Negara will be staging a musical in support of children in need in other parts of the world.

The 60-minute Permata Arts Concert 2013 will feature acting with songs, music and dance.

It will be staged at the Panggung Sari, Istana Budaya for two nights from Feb 25.

Entrance is free for members of the public on the first night while the subsequent performance is reserved for invited guests only.

Permata patron Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor, wife of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak, said the concert was born out of an awareness for every child's right to a life and education.

The concert was launched in conjunction with the World Children's Welfare Fund, which will see all donations channelled towards children in need worldwide.

"The purpose of this fund is to collect as much as possible to assist children affected by natural disasters, wars, famine and poverty.

"As such, I truly hope that corporate organisations will demonstrate a similar caring spirit by contributing to this fund," Rosmah said at Seri Perdana yesterday.

Passes for the Feb 25 public performance can be obtained from the Istana Budaya box office counter from today between 10am and 5pm.

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