

Malaysia Fiesta In Melbourne Attracts Top Sabah-born Artist

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MELBOURNE, April 30 (Bernama) - Internationally acclaimed Sabah-born artist Hong Yi, who goes by the nickname "Red", will be a special guest at Fiesta Malaysia this May 25 at Federation Square here.

The Melbourne architecture graduate is well known for her artworks, including portraits of famous individuals with everyday items such as tennis balls, flowers, food and coffee cup stains.

Her latest work is a portrait of Jackie Chan using chopsticks. She was named Esquire Magazine's 12 Brilliant Malaysians of 2013 and given Perspective Global Hong Kong's 2013 Under 40 Designers' award besides having more than 52,000 followers on Facebook.

"We are really excited about the appearance of Hong Y," said Fiesta Malaysia project manager Lim Siew Chee.

According to Lim, Hong Yi would be bringing three of her amazing art pieces to be displayed throughout the event and would be scheduled to speak to the public.

The art pieces will be portraits of Taiwan artist Jay Chou, Brazil soccer player Neymar da Silva Santo Junior and Kuala Lumpur Twin Towers created using Nasi Lemak.

Fiesta Malaysia is an annual event hosted by the Malaysian Students' Council of Australia (MASCA), Victoria chapter, aiming to promote Malaysia and its culture and cuisine.

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