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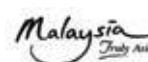


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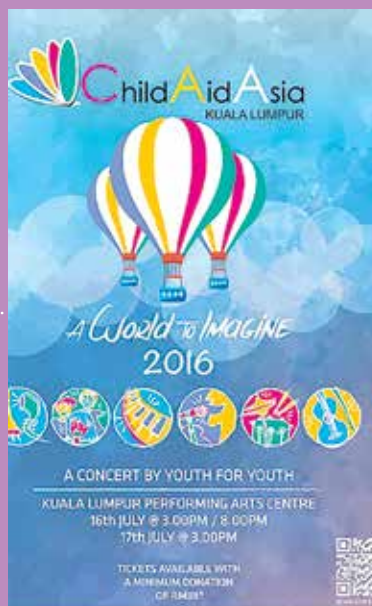
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JUST DANCE

1 – 3 JUL @ PENTAS 2,
KLPAC

After a sold-out Mad for Mozart earlier this year, the klpac String Ensemble is leaping, twirling and waltzing its way to yet another exciting concert this July.

For a limited two-day run, Just Dance will have you swaying to some of the most popular and well-known music from classical to folk brought to life by a 45-strong orchestra conducted by Norman Ong.

Alternating between lilting melodies and some more exotic and evocative numbers, audiences will be thrilled with this delightful repertoire. Some highlights of Just Dance include music from the great ballets like The Nutcracker and Swan Lake as well as age-old classics like The Blue Danube and Three Slavonic Dances.

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BROTHERHOOD OF MEN 2016 LIVE IN GENTING

2 JUL @ ARENA OF
STARS, GENTING
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Eighteen years after the first Young and Dangerous film, the main cast – Ekin Cheng, Jordan Chan, Michael Tse, Chin KaLok and Jerry Lamb – come together again for a spectacular joint concert that takes concert-goers back to the iconic film series and showcases the men's musical talents. Featuring music from the original film series as well as the individual artists' biggest hits, 2016 Brotherhood of Men Live In Malaysia takes you an unforgettable journey with Chan Ho Nam and his gang after packed US, China, Hong Kong concert arenas.

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HARI RAYA AILDILFITRI 2016

6 & 7 JUL

Eid al-Fitr or known as "festival of breaking of the fast", is an important religious holiday celebrated by Muslims worldwide that marks the end of Ramadan, the Islamic holy month of fasting. The religious Eid is a single day during which Muslims are not permitted to fast. The holiday celebrates the conclusion of the 29 or 30 days of dawn-to-sunset fasting during the entire month of Ramadan. The day of Eid, therefore, falls on the first day of the month of Syawal.

Selamat Hari Raya!

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THE FIRST EURYTHMY PERFORMANCE IN MALAYSIA

9 & 10 JUL @ PENTAS 1, KLPAC

July 9, Sat @ 7:30pm The Lady and the Lion

A spellbinding fairytale by the brothers Grimm tells the story of a young woman, who must brave through a seven-year quest to find and rescue her beloved Lion – a prince under the spell of an evil enchantress. On her journey, she seeks help from the Sun, Moon and the four Winds. It takes all of her strength and courage to overcome fierce obstacles, such as the Dragon and many more... a fairytale for all ages.

A captivating combination of movement, colours, storytelling and live music that will surely enliven your senses and imagination!

July 10, Sun @ 3:00pm Light in the Unknown

A beautiful blend of live music, lyrical and dramatic poetry. Works include celebrated poetry of Coleridge's "Kubla Khan", Denise Levertov's "Kyrie" and lyrical poems by Kathleen Raine. Weaving through the performance are live music for cello and piano from Janacek's "Fairy Tale", Hindemith's solo cello Sonata, and beautiful piano pieces by Bach, Chopin and Youchu Usami.

Feast your eyes on speech and music, unfolding through the universal language of colourful movement.

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LET IT BE MUSICAL - A CELEBRATION OF THE MUSIC OF THE BEATLES

13 – 17 JUL @ PLENARY HALL, KUALA LUMPUR CONVENTION CENTRE

Annerin Productions brings you the show that you never got to see The Beatles ever perform. Relive the past from Ed Sullivan to Abbey Road, with favourite hits including Hard Day's Night, Day Tripper, Sgt Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band, Twist and Shout, Get Back, I Wanna Hold Your Hand, Strawberry Fields, and imagine the reunion that never was...

The end of The Beatles era was never thought to be in sight when The Beatles played their last show on the roof of Apple Offices in 1969. Imagine what would have been if The Beatles continued their journey. Enter a time capsule and turn back in time to what would have been John Lennon's 40th birthday - Oct 9, 1980. For one night, the fab four come together again on stage after a decade, performing other hits like Back in the USSR, Live and Let Die, Got to Get you into My Life, My Sweet Lord, Hey Jude, and many more, on top of many other classics! Imagine a night that never happened, but which feels so surreal!

This show is brought by AC Music Entertainment and supported by Malaysia Major Events, a division of the Malaysia Convention and Exhibition Bureau (MyCEB), an agency under the Ministry of Tourism and Culture Malaysia.

Tickets: RM588, RM398, RM338, RM268, RM138, RM98

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12th GENTING WORLD LION DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP 2016

15 – 17 JUL @ ARENA OF STARS, GENTING HIGHLANDS

Resorts World Genting will be hosting the 12th Genting World Lion Dance Championship 2016, and the Selangor & Federal Territory Lion Dance Association as consultant for this event.

This competition is the most recognised high-stilt lion dance championship in the world, with the very best lion dance teams from around the world competing to take home the grand prize and the honour of being recognised as 'the best of the best'. Steeped in tradition and culture, the lion dance has gained popularity across the globe over the years and is now an internationally recognised sport.

From the rhythmic beat of the drums to the jaw-dropping stunts, the lions come alive and mesmerise you with their stunning acrobatic performances coupled with synchronised agility. Don't miss out on this truly acrobatic extravaganza guaranteed to keep you on your toes and on the edge of your seat.

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CHILDAID ASIA @ KUALA LUMPUR 2016

16 & 17 JUL @ PENTAS 1, KLPAC

A fundraising concert featuring collaborative performances by child talents from Malaysia, Japan, Indonesia, Singapore and the Philippines.

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NATIONAL DAY EXHIBITION 2016

STARTS 16 JUL @ NATIONAL MUSEUM, KUALA LUMPUR

In conjunction with the National Day celebration 2016, this exhibition will recall the journey and fight to free the country from the clutches of colonialism, as well as the many challenges faced to achieve independence.



JOLIN TSAI 2016 PLAY WORLD TOUR MALAYSIA

16 JUL @ STADIUM MERDEKA, KUALA LUMPUR

With the worldwide success of her 13th studio album "PLAY", the Taiwanese pop star started her 4th world tour concert last May in Taipei, Taiwan and her final stop, Stadium Merdeka, Kuala Lumpur on July 16 will also mark the songstress' 5th visit to Malaysia since 2012. The 35-year-old Mandopop singer's latest album was released in 2014 by Warner Music Taiwan and with 75,000 copies sold locally, it was the best-selling female album of the year. The critically acclaimed music video for the title track "PLAY" has garnered over 19 million views on YouTube, making it the most-viewed music video of Taiwan that year. "PLAY" consists of 10 songs including hit singles like "The Third Person and I" and "We're All Different, Yet the Same".

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ANTIGONE

21 – 31 JUL @ INDICINE, KLPAC

When her dead brother is decreed a traitor and his body left unburied beyond the city walls, Antigone refuses to accept this most severe of punishments. She defies her uncle – the new ruler of the city – and forges ahead with the funeral alone. Antigone places personal allegiance over politics and unleashes a cycle of destruction her city will never forget. Is she wrong?

MacArthur Fellow Anne Carson adapts this modern English translation of the Greek classic in collaboration with Tony Award nominee Ivo van Hove. It premiered at the Brooklyn Academy of Music in New York last year.

Featuring Amanda Ang, Abdul Qahar Aqilah, Brian Chan, Dawn Cheong, Oliver Johanan, Alfred Loh, Claudia Low, Farah Rani, Gregory Sze and Andrew Wood. Scenic design is by Zen Tan and choreograph by Lex Lakshman Balakrishnan. Directed by Kelvin Wong.

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KK JAZZ FESTIVAL

22 & 23 JUL @ KOTA KINABALU, SABAH

The KK Jazz Festival is a much-anticipated jazz musical extravaganza that features a line-up of international and local artistes. It is a fundraising event benefiting various charities in the state.

www.kkjazzfest.com



VERY SHAKESPEARE

21 – 23 JUL @ PENTAS 1,
KLPAC

Love is in the air...

The klpac Orchestra is set to serenade you with the passionate and, at times, melancholic music by some of the greatest Romantic composers in this Shakespeare-themed concert.

Expect a good dose of love, a dash of drama swirled in with a touch of magic and delivered by a 75-strong orchestra that will be accompanied by several ballet dancers.

21-23



MALAYSIA INTERNATIONAL FINGER-STYLE GUITAR FESTIVAL 2016

22 JUL @ WISMA MCA
AUDITORIUM
(LEVEL 3), KUALA
LUMPUR

This year's International Finger Style Guitar Festival (IFSGF) will be held in Malaysia for the 2nd time, on July 22th 2016 from 8.00 pm at the Wisma MCA auditorium. The festival is organised by the Malaysian chapter of the Wind Strings Music Group. Music from well renowned finger-style guitarists such as Youtube star Andy McKee from USA, Masa Sumide and Masaaki Kishibe from Japan, Sandra Bae and Erica Cho from Korea will be featured in the concert. The IFSGF has already been making its rounds in countries like Korea, China, and Taiwan earlier in July before heading to Vietnam and finally Malaysia.

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QUEENS OF HONG KONG DRAMA LIVE IN GENTING

23 JUL @ ARENA
OF STARS, GENTING
HIGHLANDS

Take a trip down memory lane with these four Hong Kong Drama Queens of yesteryear as they set the mood for the evening with their soft serenades. The performing artiste include Louise Lee who started her acting career in the 70s and was popular for her multiple roles in many of TVB's drama series. Susanna Kwan is a singer-actress-host who started her career in the entertainment industry in the early 70s. She is famous for many of TVB's drama theme songs. She has several Cantonese albums under her name, and had staged numerous solo concerts not only in Hong Kong but also in the United States, Canada, Singapore and Malaysia. Nancy Sit is also a Hong Kong actress-singer-host and is famous for her roles in many drama series.

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SELENA GOMEZ LIVE IN KUALA LUMPUR

25 JUL @ STADIUM
MALAWATI SHAH ALAM

Multi-platinum singer and actress Selena Gomez embarked on her worldwide concert tour beginning May this year, headlining stadiums and arenas around the United States of America and Canada on her blockbuster THE REVIVAL TOUR. The 'Revival Tour' is the second solo concert tour by Selena, following the October 9, 2015 release of her second solo studio album Revival, which debuted at number one in the US and featured the topten singles "Good for You", "Same Old Love" and "Hands to Myself." As a recording artist, Selena has sold over 45 million tracks worldwide.

Selena has announced that in response to strong fan demand, she is bringing the tour to Southeast Asia later this year, and will perform at the Malawati Indoor Arena on July 25. "I am ready to get back on the road and see my fans in person!" said Selena. "This album marks a new and very important chapter in my life. I cannot wait to get on stage and perform this new material."

Tickets: RM485, RM455, RM385,
RM285

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MUSIC FROM MOVIES & MUSICALS 6

29 – 31 JUL @ PENTAS 1,
KLPAC

Songs from movies and musicals always hold a special place in the hearts of audiences everywhere. The first Music from Movies and Musicals (MMM) was performed in 1996, and prove to be popular with theatre goers who enjoyed songs from the stage and big screen. Now with a whole new crop of selections just waiting to be showcased – it's time for MMM6!

Come on a journey with the Choir of The Philharmonic Society of Selangor, a non-auditioned community choir of over 100 singers, as we take you from the African plains, through exotic Bombay, and up the Frozen mountains.

Choir director Cheryl Teh will be at the helm and backed by a live band led by Nish Tham. This musical adventure will present songs and medleys from The Lion King, Bombay Dreams, Frozen, Chicken Little, and Monty Python just to name a few!

Combining memorable show tunes and movie melodies, this fun repertoire is part of the objective of making musical shows accessible for music lovers of all ages.

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NANCY ARJAM

30 & 31 JUL @ PUTRA
WORLD TRADE CENTRE
(PWTC), KUALA LUMPUR

Nancy Ajram is a Lebanese artiste born on May 16, 1983 in Achrafieh, Lebanon. She is one of the biggest music icons in the Arab world. She has released 8 studio albums to date and numerous other chart-topping singles such as "Yay Seher Oyounoh", "Ya Tabtab", "Mogabah", "Ehsas Jdeed", "El Donia Helwa", "Mashy Haddy", and "Fi Hagat".

Nancy first appeared on stage in 1995 at the age of 12. She took part in a Lebanese competition TV show, "Noujoum Al Moustakbal" (Stars of the Future), featuring new solo musical talents. Nancy won the gold medal in the Tarab category after singing a song by Oum Kalthoum.

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ALICE THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS

6 Jul

Alice finds new adventures in Wonderland but not without facing a new villain played by Sacha Baron Cohen as Time. Johnny Depp returns to play the Mad Hatter, but this time his father Zanik Hightopp (Rhys Ifans) is introduced.

Genre: Adventure / Fantasy

Cast: Mia Wasikowska, Johnny Depp, Helena Bonham Carter, Anne Hathaway, Sacha Baron Cohen, Rhys Ifans.



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ICE AGE: COLLISION COURSE

7 Jul

The animals of the Ice Age era go on another adventure in this fifth film of the animation franchise.

Genre: Animation / Comedy

Cast: Ray Romano, Denis Leary, John Leguizamo, Jennifer Lopez, Keke Palmer, Simon Pegg, Jesse Tyler Ferguson, Max Greenfield, Jessie J.



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GHOSTBUSTERS

14 Jul

Erin Gilbert and Abby Yates are two authors who wrote a book that proposes the existence of ghosts. A few years later, Erin becomes a respectable lecturer at Columbia University but when her book resurfaces, she becomes the laughing stock of the university. However, when ghosts invade Manhattan city, proving what she believes all these years to be true, Erin reunites with Abby, and teams up with a nuclear engineer, Jillian Holtzmann, and a subway worker, Patty Tolan, to save the world from an evil and powerful demon named Rowan.

Genre: Action / Comedy / Fantasy

Cast: Kristen Wiig, Melissa McCarthy, Kate McKinnon, Leslie Jones, Chris Hemsworth.



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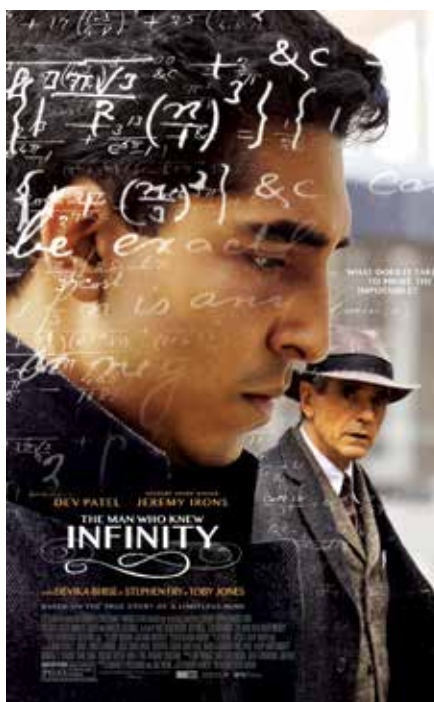
THE PURGE: ELECTION YEAR

14 Jul

The third horror thriller film of the series is set as a prequel, which will be focusing on the Revolutionaries, and the first ever Purge to take place.

Genre: Action / Horror / Thriller

Cast: Frank Grillo, Betty Gabriel, Edwin Hodge, Kyle Secor.



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THE MAN WHO KNEW INFINITY

14 Jul

Srinivasa Ramanujan Iyengar does all he can to be admitted to Cambridge University during WWI, despite growing up poor in Madras, India. Having successfully enrolled in the university, he studies nothing but mathematics, eventually becoming a pioneer in mathematical theories with the guidance of his professor, G.H. Hardy.

Genre: Biography / Drama

Cast: Dev Patel, Jeremy Irons, Devika Bhise, Kevin McNally.

. Movies

**SKIPTRACE**

21 Jul

Bennie Black is a Hong Kong detective who has been tracing infamous crime boss Victor Wong's for more than a decade. When his niece Samantha gets involved with Wong crime syndicate, Bennie seeks help from a fast-talking American gambler, Connor Watts. The unlikely pair then embarks on a risky but fun adventure from the snowy mountains of Mongolia to the windswept dunes of the Gobi desert to rescue Samantha.

Genre: Action / Comedy

Cast: Jackie Chan, Fan Bingbing, Johnny Knoxville, Leo Ku, Eric Tsang, Michael Wong, Eve Torres.

**THE BFG**

21 Jul

Based on the Roald Dahl book of the same name, young orphan Sophie encounters a giant, the BFG (Big Friendly Giant) and the both of them go on an adventure to stop other evil giants from roaming in the human world.

Genre: Family / Fantasy

Cast: Mark Rylance, Ruby Barnhill, Bill Hader, Rebecca Hall.

**STAR TREK BEYOND**

21 Jul

After the events seen in the first two movies, the third "Star Trek" film sees a much darker turn and deeper space exploration for the USS Enterprise team.

Genre: Action / Adventure / Science Fiction

Cast: Chris Pine, Zachary Quinto, Zoe Saldana, Simon Pegg, Karl Urban.

**JASON BOURNE**

28 Jul

Matt Damon reprises his role as Jason Bourne/David Webb in the fifth instalment of the series where more questions are set to be answered.

Genre: Action

Cast: Matt Damon, Julia Stiles, Alicia Vikander, Tommy Lee Jones, Vincent Cassel.

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CHEF WAN

A man after our stomachs, and our hearts

BY KATHLYN URSULA D'SOUZA

The team was giddy with excitement and nervousness before the shoot. Meeting such a big shot such as Chef Wan felt surreal, given the fact that most of us grew up idolising this man that emanated such incredible energy that resonated across the nation through our then-fridge TVs.

However, the second this superstar came through, there was nothing but warmth and comfort – we all automatically and naturally found a kindred spirit in this man. With an infectious and mischievous smile (with twinkly eyes to match), he put us all at ease and began chattering as if he had known us for ages.

With everyone feeling so comfortable and confident (laughter filled the space all the time with the things Chef Wan said), everyone gathered around him during the interview session, all so keen to hear stories. Needless to say, it was utterly entertaining and fun.



Chef Wan with his family members – daughter-in-law Shikin Maembong, son Muhammad Nazri bin Redzuawan, ex-wife Norhayati Ayob, daughter Serina Redzuawan, son-in-law Gavin O'Luanagh and grandchildren Tristan, Isabella and Arianna.



You're a man that needs no introduction; so let's skip to the interesting parts. When did you find out you wanted to be a chef?

"At the time I was about 10 years old. I had my first vegetable garden plot, set up with my bare hands. It was like my Garden of Eden. My father was in the Royal Malaysian Air Force camp, where we had a bit of land at the back of the house. We didn't have a lot, my father's pay was only RM160 – and he had to take care of nine of us in the family. Every month *tak cukup duit* (not enough money). So I thought, instead of buying vegetables, it was better to just plant them. Blessed with all these different ingredients, I thought I could turn around and just create many types of wonderful food.

When I got into the *kuih*-selling business at the camp, I learned how to make all kinds of cakes and cookies. I realised how talented I was, and that I made a lot of people happy – not just my family, for making money at just 10 years old – but the fact that I kept giving, people like my neighbours gave back. Although we had no money, our table was always full of food. Those days we didn't have chefs either, only the air force cooks, so I dreamt of being a chef. My father used to tell me to get out of the air force kitchen when I watched the cook prepare meals for its workforce.

Then I figured that with a bit of energy, positive thinking, motivation and sweat, you'd see results. The reward is there, not just in the form of success. *Orang sayang* (people will love you), and every single person in the camp wanted me to be their son-in-law.

So that took me to where I am today, about love and giving. That's why I never understood why people had so much hatred, greed and vengeance. For me, it's all about giving. When you give food to another human being, that's the best. It's such an honourable career, because you bring so much love. I've entertained and cooked for people all over the world – a private chef for a wealthy Hawaiian, jetsetting, cooking for presidents and sultans, royal weddings and the World Economic Forum ... and I see that food opens the doors for everyone. When people look at you when they eat, it's filled with nothing but love and respect."

Favourite kitchen equipment or gadget

"Batu lesung (mortar and pestle). I've had that for many years. It makes things a lot easier for many ingredients."

Number one essential ingredient

"For me, it has to be chilli, chilli and chilli."

Favourite type of food to work with

"I love to work with butter!"

Most challenging ingredient

"Until today, I find that working with truffles can be so hard. I don't know why, maybe the smell doesn't get to me ... smells of decay," he added with a laugh.

Funniest kitchen disaster story

"OH YES!" he said animatedly, "This was in San Francisco. We were about to serve a banquet for about 2,000 people that day. I remember making the potato salad, about 50 kilos. I had a lot of cuts, so there were about three band-aids around my fingers.

"This was so last-minute, by the way – I threw everything into the tub; the

mayonnaise and everything, and I was ready to stir but I couldn't find a spoon! I just ended up using my hands and went at it with the mayonnaise, mustard, boiled eggs, gherkin, onion ... but it ended up with a perfect flavour. Once it was done, I sent it off on the trays to be served.

"So while I was back downstairs, sipping on some coffee ... I realised ... my band-aids were not there anymore!

"Oh God, what a disaster," he said grimly, shaking his head while everybody else erupted in explosive laughter. "That was a disaster. You have no idea. I was thinking ... they would know because the salad was prepared by me. How was I to blame others?"

And then his cheeky smile returned, "And I don't know who swallowed it, but it had to be a very chewy potato salad! But no one complained, so I don't think they realised!" He ended with a hearty laugh, and the rest of us doubled with more laughter, "But that was a disaster *lah*."

Favourite comfort meal at home

"I think my regular comfort meal has always been *nasi goreng*."

Last Supper/Death Row meal

"It would have to be my mother's *nasi goreng*. It was the nasi goreng that I grew up having. It was nothing much – just *sambal belacan* and *ikan bilis* – but it is made out of love. And I always remember that flavour and taste – ever since I was a child until now. When I visit her these days, she would still cook the same.

"So if I have to leave the world I want to remember my mother's *nasi goreng*."

“ Food has always been love, or friendship, peace and respect to me. It has always been. ”

Food that you just don't like

"I have this thing about ... plain yogurt. No matter how many times I tried, I really cannot accept it.

"Or milk, actually. I've always been *geli* (repulsed). It's a phobia!"

Favourite food creation

"It's always been my *laksa Nyonya*. When I was small, my grandmother taught me how to make it. I've always learned how to perfect and improve that. So wherever I go, people would always say, "*Wah, bestnya laksa you!*" (Your laksa is amazing)."

Food world hero

"My mother. I don't care who Jamie Oliver is or whoever, my mother is the best."

Relationship with food

"Food has always been love, or friendship, peace and respect to me. It has always been."

Current plans

"I just came back after being away for 60 days to film my *Kembara Sedunia Bersama Chef Wan* (Around the World with Chef Wan) series. It's my fourth year in my world travel series. It's a memoir of a chef, travelling around the world, discovering new cuisines and culture. We did the Rio Carnival – that was fun – and then I was in Argentina, Chile. While in Chile I also took a week to do a Malaysian promotion at the Sheraton

Santiago Hotel and then we were off to Northern Ireland for their annual food festival.

"I'm just about to leave again after Raya, bound for Mexico, Peru, Bolivia and Cuba to continue the series."

Where the energy comes from

He laughed and said, "For love. For the passion. I think when you love doing what you do, you see so many wonderful things out there and it makes you realise that life is beautiful. It's simple.

"I always say – be the best. Be whatever or whoever you want, but be the best. It's the positive energy. We are like *gasing*, constantly spinning. And what is that energy for? It's for nobody and nothing else but yourself. To be here, to be at the top. It's very important to keep that spirit."

Plans for this Raya

"I wouldn't be around, actually. I've been invited to this school in Barcelona to teach and then I'm off to Galicia for a food festival.

"But then again, I celebrate Raya all the time, anyway," he said, finishing with a wink. "I'm Mr Celebration!"

Favourite Raya cookie

"Since day one, my favourite has always been my mother's *kuih bangkit*. It just melts in the mouth. I can easily eat hundreds of them."

Chef Wan's message to those celebrating Raya:

"Jangan malas! (Don't be lazy)" he exclaimed in a sing-song voice.

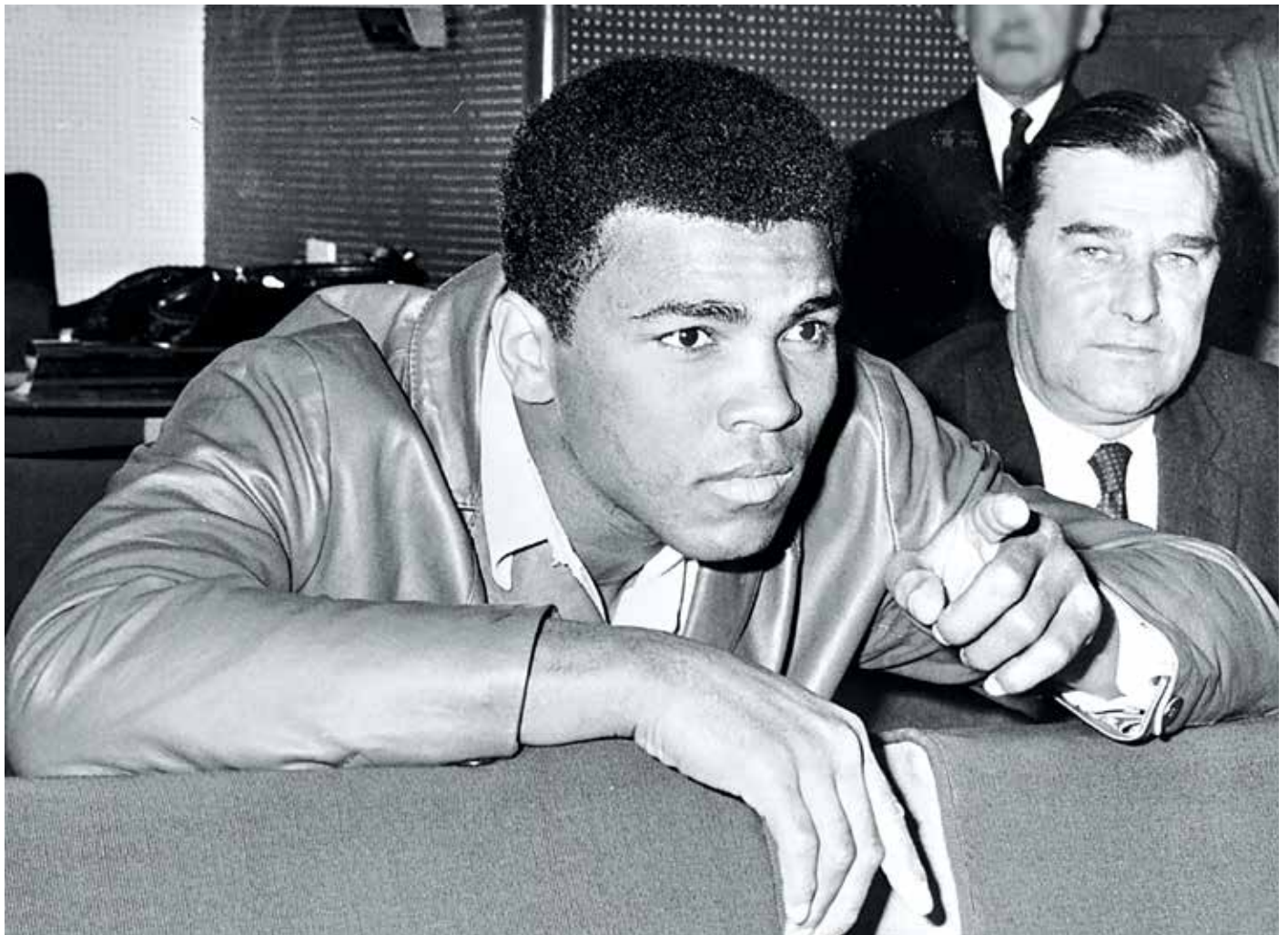
"But otherwise ... my message for Raya is that we must always learn to forgive, forget and move on. Open up to family and friends, open up your home. It's so important to build relationships among people of different cultures and races.

"Stop judging others, be more sensitive and build tolerance for one another, cultivate more love and respect for one another for we are all God Almighty's beautiful creations. We should lift each other and not tear each other up!

"After experiencing and travelling the world for over 42 years, I have realised that the world is such a beautiful place to be in.

"God is love. If we can love, have compassion, empathy and respect for another being, we won't be so lost in the world. Don't build walls, build bridges."





Rules of living according to “The Greatest” Muhammad Ali

BY JACQUELINE BENITA PAUL

Muhammad Ali was a man that needed no long introduction. For fighters and the rest of the human race, the mere mention of his name had inspired a story of courage, perseverance and excellence. What transcended his accomplishment as a fighter and a public figure were his words that resonated with people from all walks of life. Recognised for being a great wordsmith by even United States president Barack Obama himself, we look at some of the greatest quotes that can be a day-to-day guide for accomplished living.

**“Don’t count the days,
make the days count.”**

Surely, we’ve all been guilty of counting the days to the next holiday or the day till our goal is to be achieved. Though in that process, sometimes we forget to appreciate the journey and how it shapes us. We miss out the moments worth counting and sometimes the destination isn’t what we expect. Consequently, we may end up disappointed and miss out on what really counts. Understandably, we want to count but count something worth counting. Count how many times we got up again, not the times we fell. We want to count. Count the times we have succeeded, count the times we were at our best; count when good deeds were done; count the times when people were fair, honest and kind. If we count more wrongs than rights, more evil than good, more hatred than kindness, perhaps we need to reconsider our mindset. Happiness is a choice, not a destination.

**“I am the greatest, I said
that even before I knew I
was.”**

These words travel on such a thin borderline of sounding too presumptuous or confident. Though the legend himself had put the assumption to rest in another quote, “It’s not bragging if you can back it up”. This is not to say you should be free from self-doubt. A good balance of confidence and understanding your limitations will certainly help you grow towards your goals. It’s best to take these words as a form of meditation to exercise your mind to extend your physical limits. Focusing on what makes you feel great about yourself allows you to feel confident enough to overcome the situation and even make some room for creative problem solving.

**“He who is not courageous
enough to take risks will
accomplish nothing in life.”**

Of the considerable number of skills in life to learn, taking risks is the most essential. Just think how dull your life would be if you never took risks. Without going out on a limb, you may never have found out how awesome dining in the dark, venturing to the far corners of the planet or finding the love of your life could be.”

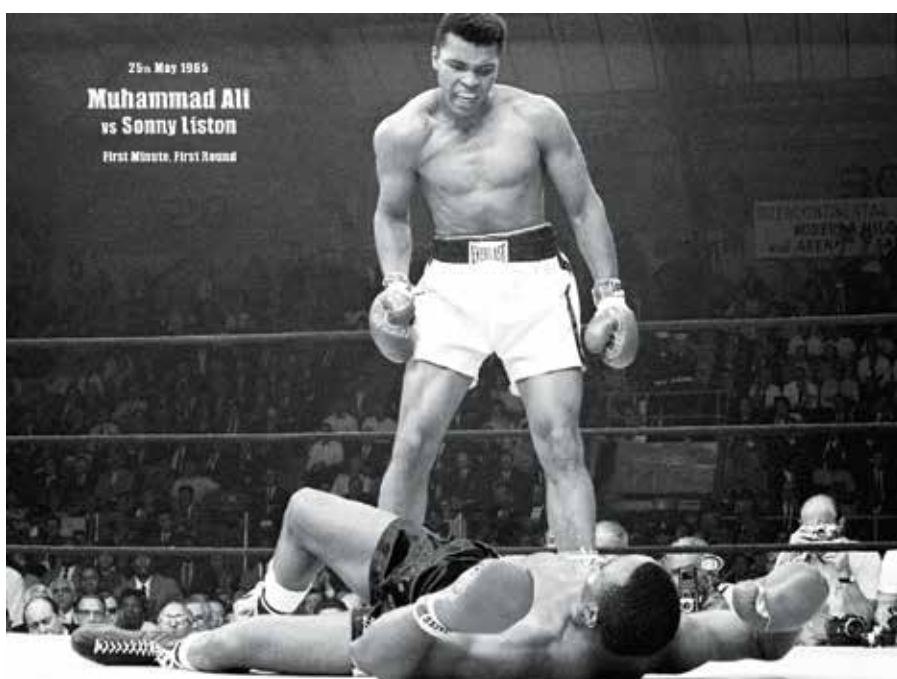
**“A man with no
imagination has no
wings.”**

Imagination is quite possibly a uniquely human ability. It allows us to explore ideas of things in alternate possibilities, whether feasible or not. Many of the great inventions we have today are the products of imagination. That said, imagination is not just limited to inventions of products, but the generation of ideas in problem solving can be liberating.

**“Live everyday as if it were
your last because someday
you’re going to be right.”**

Put it this way, Muhammad Ali’s passing was mourned deeply by the world, but because of the life he led, he would be immortalised in our memories. Life is short, that’s a known fact but have we been really living? Ask ourselves. At this point of time, it is best to make the most out of the things that matter to us each and every day. Maybe we should spend as much time possible with our family, go running, read more books each month, and capitalise on this crazy, beautiful and fleeting gift of life. No one will be there to check off society’s expectations of your life at the end, and there is no last call. Do the things that matter to us, and if we don’t know what that is yet, search it out! There is no right or wrong. We are the only person viewing the movie that is our life. We decide its plot, even though we cannot decide its ending.

Thank you, Muhammad Ali, for being The Greatest. You are missed.



Goodies and Calories

10 Raya Snacks and What They're Packing

Yes – finally the time has come for us to indulge, indulge and indulge. A whole month of fasting has certainly warranted all the sinful tidbits that lay before us during the Raya festivities, no? After all, one of the many things that comes to mind when one thinks of Raya (apart from the gorgeous baju raya, family gathering and Raya songs) are the munchies that come with the festive occasion. We've listed out all your favourite snacks and the calorie count for each one of them – just as a good-to-know thing. No pressure, really. Enjoy yourself! You can think about repercussions after ...

BY KATHLYN URSULA D'SOUZA

HONEY CORNFLAKES

One of the most-loved breakfast cereals, honey and butter – how can you resist, especially with the way they shine in their golden glory. Not only is it easy to make, it is one of the tastiest out there. It is also why we've listed this first, because ask anyone, young or old, they wouldn't give this a miss.

Calories: At least 130 calories per 30g



CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES

So while these aren't really considered traditional Raya cookies, they are easily one of the must-haves on the coffee or dining table. We have no doubts about its versatility and ability to please everyone (unless, of course, you don't like chocolate, but that's nearly impossible). You can get it almost anywhere, but this time we mean the home-made ones your mother, aunt or sister bakes because ... well, they put extra chocolate chips just like you requested.

Calories: About 78 calories per 16g



PINEAPPLE TART

This one wins hearts even though you claim to dislike pineapple. Commonly known as Kuih Tart, these nibbles are not only present during Raya, but also during Deepavali and Chinese New Year. Just think of biting into the soft crust before tasting the fresh, sweet and sour pineapple filling inside, and you won't be able to stop at just one. Or ten. Who knows?

Calories: About 74 calories per tart





KUIH MAKMUR (GHEE BALLS)

Raya isn't complete without at least one jar of Kuih Makmur hanging about the house. This peanut-filled, sugar icing-dusted delicacy normally comes in white or green but the variations taste as divine. Its fragile texture is part of the charm, as it crumbles as soon as you bite into it. The trick is to just stuff the whole thing into your mouth and feel it melt slowly, just like how you do it when you think nobody is watching.

Calories: Approximately 157 calories per piece

KUIH BANGKIT

Kuih Bangkit or tapioca cookies are also one of those melt-in-the-mouth goodies that we simply adore. Made from coconut milk, eggs, sugar, rice flour and tapioca flour, these delicate things can be so addictive. Once you pop, you cannot stop (a.k.a you don't want to stop).

Calories: Around 23 calories per piece



KEK LAPIS (LAYERED CAKE)

Although these come in vibrant and different colours, making it would require just four of the simplest ingredients – butter, eggs, sugar and flour. Depending on your roots and your friends' roots, you might get to try either the Kek Lapis Sarawak or Kek Lapis Indonesia. Either way, the Kek Lapis is never too old-fashioned to make it to our favourites list.

Calories: 157 calories per slice



KUIH BATANG BURUK

Alright, so we never understood why this delicacy is called 'ugly stick' as per the literal translation from Malay to English, because it tastes amazing. There is nothing ugly at all about this tasty treat, especially with the green bean flavour it packs inside. To us, the Kuih Batang Buruk will always be beautiful, especially on the inside.

Energy: Around 38 calories per piece



ALMOND COOKIES

Go nuts for nuts and chocolate. What happens when you coat almonds with chocolate and top it with more almonds? You finishing the entire jar, of course.

Calories: Approximately 47 calories per piece

POPIAH (SPRING ROLLS)

Did somebody say deep-fried? Deep-fried popiah skin, chilli, dried shrimp paste and spices, to be specific? Can you even resist?

Calories: 142 calories per piece



SPICY TAPIOCA CHIPS

Just looking at pictures of the spicy tapioca chips would make your mouth water. Glazed with sweet and spicy chilli with anchovies, the calories packed in this snack are enough to compensate for a full-blown meal.

Calories: About 315 calories per 35g



Hey, KL People!

WHAT'S BEEN INSPIRING YOU LATELY?

COMPILED BY KATHLYN URSULA D'SOUZA

"The transition from being a student to a recent graduate has opened my eyes on many aspects of life, especially on being responsible for my future, inspiring me to put in my one hundred percent in my new career."

– **Qariatul Syakirah**

"I am inspired by knowing that no matter how I may be today, I can always evolve into a better version of myself a year from now."

– **Ray Hasbollah**

"What's been inspiring me? My job. I've been doing a lot of things in the office unrelated to what I have studied and finally unlocked my potential and undiscovered talent in so many aspects. The fact that I want to do something I have no experience in doing inspires me to become the person I am now."

– **Kirthi Ganesh s/o Paramanathan**

"Ben Brown on YouTube has been a massive inspiration for me. Ben is the reason that I've picked up a pennyboard, surfing and wanting to travel the world. So if all goes well, I should reach my peak by 30, achieving half of the items on my bucket list."

– **Suemitraa Thiagarajan**

"I don't know if this is true, but I recently read a story about a woman who wrote to Tony Fernandes about a job. She was out of job for quite some time and she knew that the chances of getting a reply from him were slim, but she persistently wrote to him. Every single day. Finally, she got a reply but only to say that they would get back to her. She didn't get another reply following that, but she continued writing anyway for two whole years. Eventually, he caved in and gave her a job. I think that woman has inspired me. She inspired me to be that driven again."

– **Genevieve Cheryl**

"Green. I'm inspired by the colour green. Growing up a Bornean babe, I've always been addicted to beautiful greens. As a post-graduate student, I am involved in a nationwide study that requires me to travel across the country for data collection in the rural areas with names most Malaysians have never seen on a signboard. My favourite part of the week is getting on the UKM bus or driving down to yet another alien 'kampung' because it's such an escape from all the grey and dullness of the city. The air is almost different in every town, that crisp, unpolluted, organic, green scent. The zen is just beyond words. The Tamil word for that feeling would be 'tripti'. The different shades of green that I'm blessed to be surrounded by is what puts a smile on my face, I am myself amongst what feels so much like home. I've always been a happy tree-hugger and inspiration flows in me when I am completely uninhibited; this wild child let loose to run free, with mud-soaked feet and all. On a side note, have you ever stayed in a hotel that had goats right at your doorstep? See, if that isn't exciting, then I don't know what is."

– **Resshaya Roobini**

"I'm a huge makeup addict. I genuinely love the process of putting it on and experimenting with what looks best on me, but that also means stepping into Sephora or shopping online and crying inside every time I'm done with the purchases. It's inspired me to explore drugstore brands and I'm so impressed with the items I've found at places like Sasa, Guardian and Watsons. My current obsessions are Dejavu's Fiberwig Mascara, Maybelline's Hypersharp Liner and Wet & Wild's Lipliners, that are the most affordable items in my makeup collection, yet I've used them more than my ones from famous high-end brands."

– **Keana Reinu**



"I am most inspired by the morning air, especially when there's a little rain. With work these days, we're always in front of the computer screen for hours or going out and about the city. When it's too much, I feel stuffy, stressed and I get mentally blocked. The tranquility of the morning air soothes me. Like water, ideas would flow to me easily. I realise the bliss that I get from the morning air inspires me and inspires my creativity." – **Siti Wajihah Kholil**

"We get inspirations in all sorts of way – things we see, people we meet, places that we go. Even a child's smile can be an inspiration. For me, my inspiration is my Appa. Nothing is impossible in this world if you have the courage and strength to make it happen. This is what I learned from him. He was the one man that always had so much confidence, trust and belief in all my decisions. He stood by my side at all times, be it good or bad. He taught his little girl to put aside what others say and to stay firm with decisions with full confidence. My Appa was just a normal car mechanic in a small workshop, but guess what ... his daughter is a sales team lead." – **Kalaivani Raji**

"Travelling and photographing new places and people leading their lives inspire me. Great natural light that I see everyday gets me excited to take pictures too. Also great photography by others inspires me, and great cinematography in movies, and great music helps too. Sometimes looking back at my own work and previous accomplishments can be inspiring and help me to push further ahead." – **Lincoln Luke Chanis**

"In this transitional world, what still inspire me are my books. Yes, a single word forming into a sentence, making sense, opening minds

and allowing me to escape or rather 'time travel' into different eras, relieving the moments captured beautifully in words. My love for reading stemmed from spending miserable hours lying in the hospital bed since the beginning of my teenage life. When the world around me doesn't make sense, books give me a sense of hope and make me forget for a fleeting moment my diagnosis, and believe me that's enough for a 13-year-old to want to soldier through. Through a life-changing moment, nature has handed me a gift. Now that's serendipity for you." – **Sharmila Angoosamy**

"I find inspiration in people overcoming adversities, no matter what the situation. I find inspiration in being strong enough to become the bigger person as everyone has something they're battling with. Oh and Game of Thrones *lah* basically." – **Marilynn Levisque**

"My friend's success to achieve his milestone and getting to go for his company's incentive trip to the company's head office in New York! Do not be afraid of rejection. You will never be a failure until you stop trying. It's easier said than done. There are days when you just want to stay in bed because you've used so much of your energy the day before. Read, exercise and set a goal. With constant self-development/assurance, determination and goal in mind, we will wake up and strive to be better than we were yesterday. Not just in business, but in any other aspects of life too. He may not be someone big and successful but this week, he was my source of inspiration when I was doubtful of my decisions, visions and intention."

– **Brenda Yap**

Kathlyn Ursula D'Souza speaks to

WANTED SYMPHONY

If you've not been streaming Wanted Symphony on Spotify or downloading songs on iTunes by this moniker, now's about time that you do, especially since its most popular sing-along tune, "In The Eyes Of The World" is on Soundcloud. Established back in 2010 and steadily winning the hearts of many, frontman Daniel Wong is also the curator of popular gig series Soundstruck:LIVE – a platform by musicians, for musicians. If you'd like to catch the soulful charmer in action and have your breath taken away by his voice, stalk him on Facebook for pointers.

Hi! Let's cut to the chase, tell us who you are and what do you do?

Hello! I am a singer/songwriter from Kuala Lumpur. Wanted Symphony is the name most people recognise me by. I primarily write and play in a genre I like to call contemporary soul. You may also recognise me as the host of a regular gig series known as Soundstruck: LIVE.

How did you get into your current career?

Wanted Symphony is a story that began in 2010 when five passionate young guys out of college decided to start a band and make music that people wanted (hence the name!) We were driven by the lure of success, the screaming fans, long nights on tour buses and the bright lights of big stages. Together, we achieved all of that and more. It was crazy and at times we couldn't even stop to breathe! All good fun, though. But as the years went by, other commitments took over, members came and left, and things changed. I am grateful for the journey and humbled by the experiences that we had, but I certainly look forward to what's ahead. The pieces are falling into place all over again and it's exciting to see where this will take me in the next few years.

What is your daily diet like?

The million-dollar question! I think the best word to describe it would be 'irregular'. Because of my schedule, I end up eating at odd times. However, when I do eat, I try my best to eat as healthy as I can – depending on what's available at that time, of course. Can't be going to McDonald's at 3am expecting a balanced meal, can I? Other than that, it's basically the usual – Chinese dishes (sans the carbs whenever I can), salads, and a lot of spicy food! Oh, and I love my Coca Cola. I know, you may judge me now.

And when it comes to guilty pleasures in food, what is your favourite?

Anything that begins with the word butter or salted egg something - the best culinary creation since the beginning of time.

Name us 3 Malaysian dishes that you absolutely cannot live without.

Bak Kut Teh. Rendang. Hokkien Mee.

Share with us a few of your favourite dining places, or even coffee haunts. What are your favourite dishes there?

Favourite dining places ... Let's see. I love the selection at Madam Kwan's. Particularly in favour of the Nasi Borjari and Mushroom Chicken Rice. 24-hour joint Hayaki serves a pretty killer Nasi Dagang Ayam Percik. The sauce is to die for! Used to be my favourite go-to after a late jamming session.

Another dish I'd love to have every other day if it weren't so darned pricey is Chili's Fajitas. It's basically flat tortilla bread served with a scrumptious mix of sizzling beef steak, grilled chicken breast and prawns with all these crazy cheeses and sauces on the side. You kinda just roll it up and dig in. For burgers, I'd still go for a Ramly burger by the roadside any day! And lastly, banana leaf rice at Nirvana in Bangsar. Can't really go wrong with that.

Not much of a coffee person, but I still hit up Starbucks for my favourite ice blended frappuccino. Coffee lovers may start sneering now.

Do you cook? Any signature dishes of yours?

I do, actually. I rarely cook these days but when I do, I like to think I make some pretty awesome pasta. When I was travelling around Europe last year, I cooked everyday to avoid spending extra on eating out and improved on my skills in the kitchen with practice.

What are your tips for eating healthy?

I think one of the most important things to do is to always keep yourself hydrated. Considering the fact that our bodies are made up of 75% of water, it's amazing how most people don't drink enough. Another tip is probably not to eat after a certain time. It's quite a common occurrence for musicians to have messed-up sleeping habits, and that goes along with feeling hungry at random hours. However, it is important to remember that our body functions differently at different times of the day. So, for example, if you grab supper and head to bed, chances are it's going to affect your waistline. You need to give your body enough time to digest whatever is going in before you call it a day. Don't forget to detoxify once in a while!

How do you keep yourself healthy and looking/feeling good?

I generally hit the gym three times a week. A good mix of cardio and weights should do the job, but I'm currently at a cutting and conditioning phase of my training after undergoing some serious bulking earlier in the year, no thanks to some over-ambitious friends! I used to play basketball competitively, so I try to hit the court for a pickup game every now and then to maintain my stamina. My fitness level translates into how well I carry myself on stage, too!

As for looking and feeling good, there really isn't a formula. Sometimes you wake up feeling like a star, sometimes you just look in the mirror and pick out what's wrong with every single part of your face. Okay, I'm kidding about that last part. But you get what I mean. I guess it's all about telling yourself good things and trying to remain confident no matter what hits you in the face. Being well groomed by habit helps, too.

What do you look forward to this year, in terms of career and personal life?

I am currently working on an album with a couple of the original members, and it has been really fun so far. We're looking at a late 2016 or early 2017 release, coupled with a launch party and hopefully an album tour to follow.

Other than that, I've been booked for quite a few shows up until August, so I'm definitely looking at a rather busy mid-year period. Looking forward to sharing my new music with as many people as possible, and of course there's always the prospect of heading abroad, an opportunity that draws closer within reach as time goes by. Things are also picking up with Soundstruck: LIVE, having established the brand as a household name in the independent music scene that's providing a performing platform to upcoming artists. I'm hoping to push this series to the next level.

Personally, I'm looking forward to having more time for myself. I know it's rather contradictory, considering everything I just said above, but I've burnt out before and I don't look forward to it happening again. So yes, definitely going to pace myself this year.

Lastly, what fuels and inspires you?

Travelling to new places and making new discoveries. It always opens my eyes and allows me to be grateful for what I have, yet affording me the excitement of coming into contact with things and experiences I never knew existed. Travelling also has helped me write better music, and has allowed me to enjoy different musical cultures in different places.



BRYCG

Something for Everyone

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Hawaiian Chicken Nanchos

In an episode of Anthony Bourdain's *No Reservation*, the world renowned chef, writer and traveller visited New Orleans, the culinary capital of the U.S. Other than the heart-rending stories of survival post-Hurricane Katrina, the locals' passion for food and hospitality resonated with me enough to want to try it. Thing is, travelling 15,000 kilometres for food with a full-time job might seem a little far-fetched. Fortunately, I came across BRYCG (pronounced as 'bridge'), that serves up the reflection of New Orleans cuisines from its Cajun, Creole and French roots.

Greenhouse by Muir

Parking my car right outside the beautiful greenhouse building called Greenhouse by Muir that houses three different dining experiences with one more in the works for the top deck. On the second level, you'd find BRYCG with exposed brick walls, wooden floors, elegant cushioned chairs and rustic lamps providing a soft light. This makes sense since the outer walls are mostly large windows that capture the natural light beautifully. The jazz music that filled the room transported me and my dining partner as if we were in the soulful city itself.



Shrimp Beignets



Exotic Lamb Cutlet

The decorations of vintage trumpets and buffalo head certainly capture the southern pride that added to the whole feel.

Hawaiian Chicken Nachos

As starters are meant to entice, this dish certainly did the trick. Fresh pineapple, cheese, crispy nachos and juicy chicken pieces came together to delight our palate. The generous portion made us wish we had invited more people to enjoy it but if you are a big eater, this is for you.

Shrimp Beignets

An all-star dish for any foodie who appreciates the perfect seasoning of cajun and other spices with the fresh shrimp texture. While traditional beignets are a New Orleans staple, this version takes on a more savoury approach and we appreciate it.

BRYCG Seafood Gumbo

The motherload of comfort food is here. The classic cajun stew is known for being a family dish because it is usually prepared by just mixing a little bit of everything that is left in the fridge. Here, it is prepared with just as much love as a household's with its rich brown roux with fresh shrimp and crab. The Big Easy may be miles away, but BRYCG's seafood gumbo will bring you there with each mouthful.

Shrimp and Grits

Once you've had this, it's a challenge to think about anything else. The richness of the flavours from the gravy is compatible with the texture of the grits. Comfort food at its finest. Add a little hot sauce and you'll be dizzy with pleasure.

Rosemary Brined Fried Chicken

The pinnacle of any good southern cuisine has to be the fried chicken. It's got to be crispy, juicy and robust in flavour. The rosemary brined fried chicken is exactly that. Biting into this tex-mex inspired dish is the embodiment of how one should indulge in food.

Buffalo Wings Chipotle & Sweet BBQ

Yes, more fried chicken and we wouldn't have it any other way. Slathered in chipotle, the crispiness of the chicken was well matched with the smoky cream sauce. The prodigious flavours from both sauces certainly displayed the level of culinary mastery that was at work in the creation of this amazing dish.



Blondies with Cream Cheese Frosting



Seared Ahi Tuna with Salmon Roe

Hello! by Kitchen Mafia

“Good food for all”

BY VANESSA R. SINGH



Pak Johnny Mee Rebus



Shimeji Bruschetta

Hello! by Kitchen Mafia is a seven-month-old eatery in Petaling Jaya, co-owned by seven partners including celebrity chefs, Sherson Lian and Johnny Fua who were stars of the Asian Food Channel's Great Dinners of The World. They were all inspired by cafes overseas, especially in Australia and Europe, where these places had a minimalist rustic vibe that were not too polished.

The tagline at Hello! is "You don't need a silver fork to eat good food" and they try to stick to that. A lot of the things here are prepared from scratch as they try to serve fresh gourmet food at affordable prices. As we know, gourmet food is never cheap, so Hello! realised they needed to be both idealistic and realistic. Their aim is to make themselves stand out from the crowd by doing things differently.

Instead of the commonly eaten pastas, they have a different variety such as soft shell crab pasta with salted egg butter milk, which is sort of Asian but with an Aglio Olio base. They also have the 'Aku anak kampung' which is pasta tossed in sambal with your choice of calamari or prawns for those who want pasta but can't do without chilli, the vongole, the 'Asian pesto pasta' which is similar to the usual pesto but with Asian herbs such as 'ulam raja', 'daun kesum' (Vietnamese mint), Thai basil and other Asian herbs.

If you're a fan of Aglio Olio or duck, you'll definitely enjoy the Aglio Olio with duck bacon. Although it's light, it's still a filling dish that's salty and flavourful.

The salted egg butter milk pastas are their bestsellers here. Believe it or not, their pasta are all served in a bowl with chopsticks. Sherson mentioned that "if you're a Chinese who eats noodles in a bowl with chopsticks, then there's no point in trying to act 'ang moh' trying to curl the pasta with a fork and spoon". He added: "It's nice to see people enjoying their food the way they would eat at home and I think it caters to a relatively new experience, but to see people slurping on pasta as if they were eating wantan mee is quite cool."

Being Asians, we often go out and order a number of dishes to try different things. Taking this into consideration, this eatery decided to serve a lot of tapas – of Western, European and Asian variety - to encourage people to try new things. The Shimeji Bruschetta is a western tapas served with mushroom sautéed with garlic, herbs and a bit of cream, and served on bruschetta topped with cheese. Hello hotties are their inspired spicy wings with Asian herbs, so you get the lemongrass flavour and the next minute it tastes smoky and spicy from the chipotle, hence it is a Thai and southern American fusion. They also have the chicken liver pate which is pure French, and the Asian twist to the 'salted egg squid' is the duck egg calamari. They also offer an array of pizzas which are



tortilla-sized pizzas, and their pesto with mushroom pizza is also made with the Asian pesto which seems to be quite a hit.

Of course, they have western mains too. Their wagyu beef is a steal at RM99 for 180 grammes which you could possibly find ... nowhere. As chefs Sherson and Fua didn't just want to serve pastas and tapas so they needed to do what they can

and serve quality food without steering away from their tagline. However, they still cater to the upmarket with mains such as the Lamb Shank and the catch of the day (live fresh Tilapia). If you'd like to try glorified chicken rice, the sake mirin grilled chicken (served on a bed of yam rice) is for you. Other Malaysian staples served here are the 'apek' (Chinese) fried rice and the 'kampung boy' fried rice because one would rarely order fried rice when at a café. So if you do, you'll know you still have a little 'village boy' in you. Lastly, their most controversial dish is Johnny Fua's mee rebus which has quite a good reputation, many really love it while some hate it. It is a unique and different version of mee rebus, so you'd only be able to tell once you've tried it.

Their dessert menu is limited due to space constraint. Despite that, they are still super sinful and leave a lasting impression. All desserts are house-made and are mostly brownies - the white chocolate, milk chocolate and dark chocolate, and they serve them in a few different combinations. Brownies are served with chocolate sauce and ice cream everywhere else but Hello! serves it with unsweetened cream. The blondies are white chocolate brownies with cream cheese frosting for the combination of sweet, savoury and sour flavours. It is worth trying the peanut butter sandwich (two brownies of your choice) topped with soft whipped cream, salted caramel and frosted nuts. If you add RM5, you get to pour over a shot of espresso. They all sound super sinful, don't they? That's why it's called 'for the sinners'.

If you're one for drinking, they offer their home-brewed tuak (a traditional fermented rice alcoholic drink), which is interesting as not many places serve it. No carbonated drinks are served, but you can find local and imported bottled beer and wine, including their choice of beverages supplied by the tapping tapir which are a local brand with brilliant content.

The kitchen opens till 10pm but people can stay on and drink if they prefer, as by the time they close up, it'll be about 12am-ish.



The Library by The Ritz Carlton

A Journey with Words and Food

BY JACQUELINE BENITA PAUL

C.S. Lewis once said that “eating and reading are two pleasures that combine admirably”. The Library brings those words to life with its collection of literary treasures and personalised dining experience in a faux glamour ambience. While waiting for dinner, you can indulge in an hour or two of solace in comfortable

Victorian-inspired seating with one of your favourite books. Should you come in empty-handed, you may find your way to the marvellous collections of books of diverse topics such as world history, art, culture, law, travel, language, fiction and more. You’d even find classic literature collections from Cartier, Dior and other luxury brands in this vast interior.

Interestingly enough, The Library does not have a fixed menu everyday. In fact, you probably would never get to see a recycled dish. Don’t worry, though whatever the changes, the result is purely for your benefit and enjoyment. You may select from a three-course or four-course menu with or without a wine pairing. Of course, as lovers of the great grape

vines, we went for the wine pairing option. On the night of our visit, our appetizers included two options which were asparagus with poached eggs and hollandaise paired with Ruffino Pinot Grigio. The other option was Caesar salad with chicken breast, romaine lettuce and beef bacon paired with KVV Chenin Blanc. We wanted to have something light yet still maintaining some level of complexity, so my dining partner and I selected the asparagus and poached eggs dish. True enough, the combination of the perfectly cooked asparagus and poached eggs with hollandaise sauce was exactly the right kind of appetizer to have to set the expectation for masterful culinary skills. The wine pairing of the Ruffino Pinot Grigio was an excellent choice to start the course. It was medium bodied, fresh and fragrant with notes of herb and a tinge of pear and lemon flavours.

Next, we had to choose between the carrot bisque or chicken velouté soup. Once again, we both picked the same soup which was the carrot bisque. It seemed like it would go better with the wine we were having. Our hosts were very courteous to explain each course and the entire concept of the space which was not an ambience that encouraged reading but conversation. During the short wait for our next course, we observed that the patrons around us were enthused in conversations with their hosts which told us that this is far from the rigid fine-dining experience. Once our carrot bisque was served, we noticed the incredible texture and color of the dish that certainly enticed us to dig it immediately.

We were really looking forward to the main course. Even with three other mouthwatering main dishes to choose from, we were already eyeing the Carvery of The Day which was roast lamb shoulder paired with Capel Vale Mount Barker Shiraz. The reason being that The Library is the only dining spot that has a carvery on a trolley and specialises in tableside



service, so you can watch the chef at work carving succulent pieces of lamb for your eating pleasure. It was better than expected and even being someone with a small appetite, I made sure to do justice to this tender meat topped with smoked garlic and tomato sauce that enhanced the savoury experience of the dish. Let's just say, it was a moment that we took our time to appreciate. Even now, the mere thought of the experience induces positive feelings.

Each dish was truly an inspiring experience. We especially enjoyed the green tea cake with a thin layer of mango. Though the desserts marked the final course of the meal, it did not finalise the experience. This is not something we will soon forget and it seems to be the point of the entire concept. So go and savour it for yourself.

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SITKA STUDIO

When Less is So Much More

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Looking at my plate, I took in the sight of the beautiful presentation before me, breathed in the subtle aromas of fresh ingredients while listening to soothing music that seduced me to take that first bite. From the corner of my eye, I saw the sommelier being right at home with the wine glasses, cleaning every inch with precision and dedication. The chefs in the open kitchen on my left were preparing the servings and concerning themselves with every detail to achieve the desired results. Everything seemed so simple yet so complex, so silent yet loud. The contrasting features to achieve the precise balance all built up to what I was about to consume.

Minimalistic Ambiance

The term minimalistic is often associated with a sort of hipster joint but this was not the case. It was honestly rather exciting to walk up the dark stairs towards the green light signage that spelled out "Studio". We wondered if this was some subcultural fine-dining experience. Upon entry, we were greeted by kind smiles and were directed to our designated table. The space didn't look very large – it could probably accommodate around 20 people which is a pretty fair amount for a private dining experience. Further inspection allowed us to deduce that each décor had its purpose of enhancing the feeling of exclusivity and luxury without begging for it. The lighting was soft and maintained focus on each table to showcase each dish as it arrived. An ideal location if you are seeking a romantic spot to spend intimate moments with your food and partner or even a gathering of friends or colleagues that appreciate new experiences with food and wine.

As I have pointed out earlier, there is an open kitchen that you can't possibly miss. After binge watching a considerable amount of Hell's Kitchen where I've seen experienced chefs losing their wits over how a meal has been wrongly made or served. Frankly, I was expecting that sort of scenery but clearly this was no TV show and there was no need for such drama. The few chefs in the kitchen were professional and seemed to be very much in their own element. In fact, I dare say that they looked like they were having fun while preparing such complex dishes.

28 Day Aged Duck, Mulberries, Pumpkin



Menu Highlights

Chicken Skin, Cauliflower, Foie Gras, Cherry

I am a strong believer of how something which is plated indicates how it would taste. My reaction to this dish was shared by my dining partner. Could you blame us? It was chicken skin on rocks! But I have to admit, as much as we were spending a good amount of time trying to understand this dish before tasting it, we decided to let our taste buds be the judge. The crunchiness of the chicken skin burst in our mouths with its savoury flavour along with the delectable pairing with cauliflower, foie gras and cherry.

Pea Custard, Confit Yolk and Goats Cheese

This was truly an enchanting dish with such beautiful mix of colours with ingredients that we could have never imagined to have worked so well with each other. The goat cheese was definitely the stand-out of the dish that mixed well with the pea custard flavour and confit yolk texture.

Prawn dumpling with flower crab and preserved lemon

A seafood lover will enjoy this in every bite. The way this dish was presented was rather playful in a way, yet it clearly took a substantial level of expertise to prepare. The

jelly-like texture of the preserved lemon on top of the prawn dumpling was delicate and delicious. The acidity of the preserved lemon sauce certainly balanced out the sweetness of the flower crab and the prawn dumpling.

Duck Egg Vanilla Ice Cream with Smoked Maple syrup

Many different places promise the creamiest or most flavourful ice creams but there is none that does it better than Sitka Studio. We would have never guessed that the use of duck eggs would have made such a difference and in such an inviting manner. It certainly ended our evening at an all-time high.

As testament to its exclusive nature, Sitka Studio opens only on the second and last Saturday of the month. We strongly recommend to book with the wine pairing options as they have an extensive list of organic wines. If that isn't for you, you can select from their list of champagnes, cocktails, craft beers and concise juice pairing menu that highlights the local and regional fruits. So, if you are any kind of food lover, this is where you should be.

Screamin' for FRIED CHICKEN

In times of difficulty or stress, our minds often travel to a comforting place. For many, it is a day at the spa or hitting the shooting range but for some of us, it is indulging in a succulent, crispy and flavourful piece of fried chicken that can be enjoyed with almost anything or on its own. So for this issue, we've explored several locations where you can get different varieties of fried chicken to suit your taste.

BY JACQUELINE BENITA PAUL

BUFFALO WINGS CHIPOTLE & SWEET BBQ

A New Orleans take on fried chicken, it has to be on your fried chicken bucket list. Maybe you like a little spice or you like something sweet yet savoury, this has it all and excels on so many levels. Located in the Greenhouse by Muir just beside Gleneagles Hospital, you'd find BRYCG. It's perfect because one bite of this, you can admit yourself into a food coma. While you're here, be sure to try their rosemary-brined fried chicken to drown yourself in delicious cajun seasoning accompanied with the dreamy texture of the fried chicken.

BRYCG

No.1, Jalan Nipah, Off Jalan Ampang, Kampung Berembang, 55000 Kuala Lumpur



KYOCHON FRIED CHICKEN

If you've been to Seoul, you'd probably understand why you can get a large portion of 20 pieces here at KyoChon. There, these delicious fried chicken are enjoyed as snacks instead of the main course, and taken while the guys drink and chill out after work in the evenings. You can choose between three signature series including the KyoChon Honey Series Fried Chicken that comes in a beautiful honey glaze. The crispiest of the lot, this has more batter, hence the crispiness. However, if your taste buds prefer one that is closer to the original, or slightly flavoured fried chicken, go for the KyoChon Original Soy Series Fried Chicken. They come in wings and drumettes. Can't decide? You won't have to, since you can simply mix and match according to your preference.

Kyochon Malaysia

1 Utama Shopping Centre
LG 311, Lower Ground Floor





PAPAPEOH'S FRIED CHICKEN CHOP

Can't bear the thought of a few hours' drive to Penang to enjoy this eatery's culinary delights? Well, you can just take a 20-minute drive from the city and make your way to Papa Peoh. It is a laidback establishment that brings on the Penang vibe with its interior design and menu. We liked the chicken chop since it was savoury, and if you aren't seeking intense flavouring without sacrificing good texture, look no further. You can even try their Thai-style green curry noodles to enjoy your favourite fried chicken.

PapaPeoh Café
23, Jalan Setia Indah X U13/X, Setia Alam,
40170 Shah Alam, Selangor
Tel: 012 - 3950850

CHICKEN HOUSE

KFC - Korean fried chicken is all the craze these days, so we visited this Korean fried chicken specialist that had recently branched out to Mont Kiara. We grabbed a box of fried chicken packed with a drink and pickled radish to dine. But we couldn't settle for just one, when there were four types of sauces to choose from – soy sauce with minced garlic, spicy sauce, normal sweet sauce and Ganggeong. To make the most out of the experience, go in a big group to do justice by trying the different flavours. Should you need this comfort food in the office, get it delivered if you work or live around the Mont Kiara area.

Chicken House
15G, Jalan Solaris 4, Solaris Mont Kiara, Kuala Lumpur
Tel: 011-16335812/03-62115928



WONDERMAMA FRIED CHICKEN

Fried chicken with the Japanese treatment. Our mouths water just thinking about it all over again. The crispiness of the chicken allows the flavours from the spices to melt in your mouth while sinking your teeth into the tender and juicy meat. It's an experience you simply need to go through and enjoy. Located within the heart of Bangsar, Bangsar Village, you'd easily find this charming casual dining restaurant that carries Malaysian flavours. Just look out for a colourful exterior with a homely vibe which is already hard to miss. While you're there, be sure to try their 'Ibu's Mee Siam' with its substantial portion. The flavours of the fried chicken with the tangy sauce accompanied by ibu's sambal belacan will surely set your foodie experience to an all-time high.

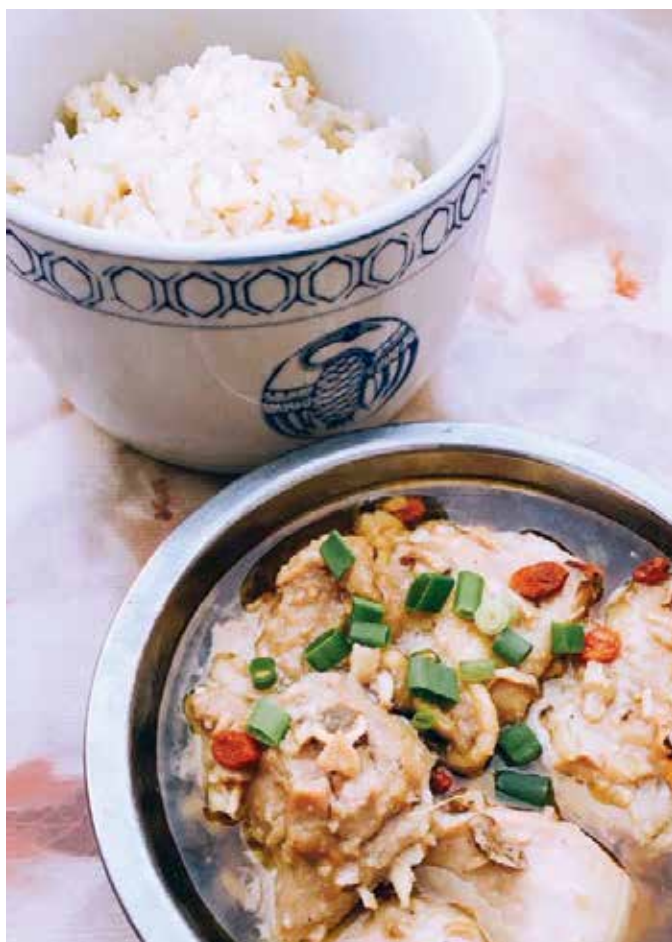
Wondermama Bangsar Village
G6, Ground Floor,
Bangsar Village 1, Jalan Telawi 1, Bangsar Baru,
59100 Kuala Lumpur



SERI KEMBANGAN

BY KATHLYN URSULA D'SOUZA

Formerly known as Serdang New Village, Seri Kembangan is steadily getting known as one of the places to hunt for good food. Granted, it is a little out of the way but if you have time, petrol and an appetite to spare, you'll find that Seri Kembangan is a treasure trove for foodies. Here's what we discovered during our recent outing there:



Steamed Herbal Chicken Rice

Prepare to be floored by the amount of people visiting this place. Lines and lines of people wait for hours just to grab a seat and enjoy the home-cooked food here. It's suitable for a quick meal but waiting is going to be worth it. Tasty and flavourful, this steamed herbal chicken rice comes with shallot rice. It is one of the best we've tried.

Jalan PP 25, Taman Pinggiran Putra, 43300 Seri Kembangan



Batu 11 Pan Mee

If you're the type of person who's hunting for a hot, brothy meal that isn't packing a lot of MSG, this dish comes highly recommended. It has been called the most authentic pan mee, and you have the option of choosing your noodle type. This pan mee is best enjoyed meatless, so all you get is a piping hot bowl of soup, a generous amount of noodles, a lot of greens (mama says eat your vegetables, no?) and a lot of chillis if you love a bit of kick! P/S the place is actually located in a corner house with no name.

Jalan Indah 3/6, Taman Indah, Batu 11



Russian Dumplings

Although Seri Kembangan is considered Chinese-centric when it comes to food, who would expect to find authentic Russian food here? If you're up for dumplings but with less of an Oriental slant, try the Russian dumplings, Pelmeni, consisting of filling wrapped in thin, unleavened dough. They use a recipe that requires a mixture of 45% beef, 35% mutton and 20% pork – which is considered the traditional Udmurt recipe.

G-62, Serdang Sky Villa, Jalan SP 5/4, Seri Kembangan



Baklava

If you're looking for authentic Baklavas, you'll find them here in Seri Kembangan. Run by Iranians and mostly catering to the Middle Eastern community living in and around Serdang, this isn't a mediocre treat. You can pick and choose your baklava and other sweets and they will weigh it for you and charge you by the weight of desserts you've taken, rather than how many pieces.

The selections, on the other hand, are really wide. There are bakhlava with various toppings or fillings like nuts, vanilla cream and chocolate, and basbousa (a type of semolina cake) and turkish sobiyet.

45, Jalan Serdang Raya 8/4, Taman Putra Indah



Romeo Burger

Who doesn't have the hots for a decent Ramly burger? It's considered the heart and soul of a true Malaysian. However, if you're in the area, have a go for Romeo's Burger. The stall is hard to spot as it has no signage whatsoever, but the options are wide.

All egg, chicken, beef or sausage patties are thrown into the mix but Romeo's signature is a substantial amount of pepper, soy sauce and Worcestershire sauce. Interesting, no?

Junction of Jalan Cemara and Jalan Kasturi
Bukit Serdang Seksyen 10



Legend's Claypot Biryani

Starting out as a humble open-air corner stall, people come here for the signature claypot biryani. This dish is unique and patrons have the option of choosing their toppings from chicken, fish, seafood to vegetarian. The rice is served warm, spicy and moist. Served with cool onion raita, it balances the fiery spiciness perfectly.

225, Jalan 18/23, Taman Sri Serdang

SOFTSERVE ICE CREAM

BY JACQUELINE BENITA PAUL

One of the many perks of the all-year round summer heat in Malaysia is having an excuse to eat ice cream. Soft serve ice cream is a new version to savour the creamy goodness of ice cream. Many have testified that soft serve has a creamier, smoother and lighter texture due to the air during the freezing process. So, we have accumulated a list for you sweet teeth to enjoy these delights across the Klang Valley.



Hail's Soft Serve

Uptown Damansara has a reputation of being home to some of the best food places and the worst parking issue but it is places like Hail's Soft Serve that makes the effort worth it. The swirly goodness takes many forms in their extensive menu that includes a variety of flavours that are updated rather frequently. So, make sure you enjoy them while they are still available. If you haven't fallen in love with soft serve, meet your first love right here.

*28, Jalan SS21/58, Damansara Utama,
47400 Petaling Jaya, Selangor.*



Eggu

Premium milk twisted with dark chocolate soft serve topped with crispy chocolate chips eggettes; the eclipse is one of Eggu's own created and certainly a chocolate lover's choice. Decadence takes form in this unique combination of authentic eggettes which are spherical-shaped waffles and generous varieties of toppings for the soft serve ice cream. What more can you ask for?

*Atria shopping gallery, Level 3, TK3A(a),
Jalan SS22/23, Damansara Jaya,
47400 Petaling Jaya, Selangor.*

Tsujiri

For an incredible number of varieties to have your soft serve, visit Tsujiri Damansara Uptown. We are big fans of their Hojicha soft serve that has an incredible toasty aroma. What's great about having this is that it's so nourishing, yet sinfully delightful to eat. By the way ladies, green tea has very high antioxidant content, so go ahead and grab this soft serve to stock up on all that antioxidant goodness. We hope you enjoy it as much as we did.

58, Jalan SS21/58, Damansara Utama, Petaling Jaya, Selangor.



P.S Tokyo Soft Serve

SS2 is an understated foodie destination. We say that because, in our search for soft serve ice cream, we came across P.S Tokyo Soft Serve that has both matcha and hojicha soft serve ice cream. We enjoyed the unique creamy textures of both flavours and subtle bittersweetness. Moreover, we could definitely taste the premium ingredients hailing from Uji, Kyoto that certainly lives up to its reputation in green tea manufacturing.

80a, Jalan SS2/60, Petaling Jaya, Selangor.



Godiva Soft Serve

If happiness were a flavour, it would taste like Godiva's Soft Serve. It comes in three sinfully delicious flavours - vanilla white chocolate soft serve, twist chocolate soft serve and dark chocolate soft serve. The crispy waffle cone with its rim dipped in chocolate and praline almonds adds so much more appeal to the taste and look of the whole soft serve. Staying true to the Godiva brand, the soft serve is made with superior ingredients that bring out the creaminess and balanced sweetness for all to enjoy.

Available in both Nu Sentral Mall and KLCC branches

PLEATS PLEASE

The runways have been ruled this season by fine fabric-folding pieces. A classic would be to add an A-line pleated skirt to your collection. Invest in one and you won't regret it!



ROLAND MOURET
Leonard asymmetric wool-crepe
peplum top RM4,137



DOLCE & GABBANA
Guipure lace top RM6,845



ROSETTA GETTY
Cropped off-the-shoulder stretch knit top
RM2,381



CHLOÉ
Iconic pleated crepe shorts RM2,530



VALENTINO
Pleated wool and silk-blend crepe shorts
RM2,827



OSCAR DE LA RENTA
Pleated jacquard skirt RM4,422



AQUAZZURA
Holli cutout suede point-toe flats RM1,357



GIANVITO ROSSI
Suede pumps RM2,357



AQUAZZURA
Christy lace-up leather pumps RM2,708

OUTFIT ELEVATORS



MARIA BLACK
Solar rhodium and gold-plated bracelet
RM1,429

+



MONICA VINADER
Skinny sterling silver diamond ring
RM1,280

+



SAINT LAURENT
Monogramme medium quilted textured
leather shoulder bag RM5,655

EASY YET ELABORATE

Look Sharp with Little Effort



BOGLIOLI

Brick slim-fit cotton and linen-blend hopsack blazer RM3,065



BOGLIOLI

Oatmeal slim-fit wool and cashmere-blend blazer RM3,155



LORO PIANA

Roadster slim-fit ribbed stretch cotton polo shirt RM2,917



JOHN SMEDLEY

Cotswold merino wool polo shirt RM863



INCOTEX

Slim-fit puppytooth stretch cotton trousers RM1,458



GIEVES & HAWKES

Slim-fit cotton-blend chinos RM1,042



SANTONI

Tasselled two-tone leather kiltie loafers RM3,214



TOM FORD

Austin polished leather monk strap brogues RM6,845

OUTFIT ELEVATORS



LORO PIANA

Laurence felt fedora RM4,821



ZENITH

El Primero Chronomaster 1969 rose gold and alligator watch RM87,497



MULBERRY

Clipper leather holdall RM8,035

RAYA FOR THE FAMILY

The festive occasion is about spending time with the people you love and doing what you love. For our hotpicks this month, we have fashion designs for the family that would definitely stand out in this joyous celebration.



FIZIWOO
Modern Kurung
Upon Request

The only fault we could find with this design is that it is not in our wardrobe. Crafted from black colour brocade with abstract gold motifs, this off-shoulder long modern kurung offers sleek sophistication in a modern perspective.

BERNARD CHANDRAN
Petang Raya Collection 2016
Upon request

We are absolutely smitten with this transitional look that bridges contemporary and traditional designs. Considered the quintessence of Bernard Chandran paired with a deep-rooted sense of constantly "pushing boundaries".



ELLE AND SHAYNE
Mila Mod Kurung (Fuchsia Berry)
RM148

For the active kids, this simple, contemporary yet stunning design is a lovely Raya wear addition. Designed with comfort in mind, this perfectly cut top in plain cotton is detailed with empire waist and puffed sleeves, and paired with matching printed cotton 'kain' with back pleats.

ELLE AND SHAYNE
ISKA Oxford Series - Mellow Yellow
RM118.00

Mummies, your Raya wish has been granted, with this outfit for your little man. The ISKA Baju Melayu comes complete with matching buttons. It is a modern, simple cut baju Melayu with slit on the sides and soft cekak musang collar for all-day fuss-free comfort.



SELBERAN
Saloma Collection - Pearl Ring
Upon Request

This elegant piece offers timeless opulence and excellent craftsmanship that perfectly accentuates the entire look with minimal effort.

POH KONG
Anggun Bunga Raya Bangle
Upon Request

The Bunga Raya bangle in yellow gold is stylishly decorated with floral motifs depicting the sensual and exotic hibiscus flower.

K-BEAUTY IN KL

Unless you've somehow banked 100,000 frequentflier miles on a transpacific airline, you might not be heading to Seoul anytime soon. But we bet you're tempted. Makeup obsessions transcend geographical divide, thus, we welcome the K-beauty makeup that will transform your skin and allow you to achieve the flawless natural beauty look with minimal effort. Everything about Korean makeup is made to appeal, from the cute and creative packaging to quality ingredients that will set you up with a plethora of looks to have fun with.

BY JACQUELINE BENITA PAUL



Mineral Sugar Blend Eyes SKIN FOOD

RM80

Introducing the 6-color eye shadow palette for a natural colour blend with moisturising, silky and powdery texture containing trendy, yet practical colour shades to suit different moods. Ideal for those who appreciate smooth and gliding blending with delicate and light texture like sugar powder. It also has micro powder and slip-sliding powder that gives a smooth texture and natural blending.



Radiance Blusher SULWHASOO

RM210

The quality of skin is enhanced with vitality and radiance. This highlighter mixed blusher contains three tones in one for natural vitality and shading, in addition to the highlighting effect. The secret of natural vitality. Bloominous Pearl Powder created with Sulwhasoo's original colour science brings clarity and radiance to the skin just like the red plum blossoms that bloom with extreme vitality. For a more radiant skin tone and glow, gently sweep over the forehead, the bridge of your nose, under-eye area, and chin area as a highlighter to add definition to the face. Sulwhasoo's luxurious brush with softness and resilience helps with easy makeup.



Brow Gellin Gel Eyebrow Styler TOUCH IN SOL

RM80

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The Play 101 Stick is the perfect companion for the on-the-go woman who is in need of a quick solution to her foundation and contouring needs.

You can highlight, shade and even use it as a lip colour or blusher. Furthermore, internationally recognised YouTube Korean beauty guru, Pony, is the brand ambassador for this product along with Etude House's brand new Berry Delicious collection.



Gene by Eugene Lim

IT IS IN THE GENE'S

BY JACQUELINE BENITA PAUL

Eugene Lim, the creative director of Gene sat with us to talk about his fashion journey and how he views the industry. We discovered this young designer at the Pret-A-Porter launching where his designs mesmerised the audience. His designs can only be best described as functional artistic pieces that have a personalised feel for someone who has a strong sense of self-identity. During the interview, we explored his journey from being a prominent DJ to the designer who has recently showcased his creations and has dressed many notable names in the industry and have been interviewed by 8tv Style recently.



So you had a music company and now you are a prominent designer, can you walk us through your journey?

I had brought underground electronic dance music to Malaysia in 1996, as part of the subculture immersion that I was influenced from back in the UK. Even back then, I was the kind of person who'd dress up for my shows whether or not anyone paid any concern. Now let's spread this into parts in regards to my mother who was my main influence that got me into fashion in the first place (she is my business design partner and has been in the industry for over 40 years) and myself. As a five-year-old child with a mother who was a fashion designer and who had private clients, I was already in her line of work. My mother was the first innovative

designer to introduce the mini-skirt to Malaysia and did the first ever fashion shows dating back to the 70s and 80s. I used to tag along to all her appointments in the house or do my homework in the car while she was measuring people and having conversations with them about what they wanted to be done. She was constantly drawing and so I got a feel of what she was doing. Secondly, I would go and hang out at her boutique after school and help her with her fabrics – or at least I tried to when I was not making a huge mess of things. One of my jobs at one point was picking up pins that fell on the boutique floor. From that, I had a constant view of her designs since she drew day and night religiously. Also, I'd like to mention that though as a child with my fair share of comics such as Archie and Ultraman, I



was equally immersed in Vogue, Cosmopolitan, Harpers Bazaar and Elle. While most spent their time reading comics, I went through fashion magazines as part of my own religious practice. Being accustomed to the sound of sewing machines, fabrics going from wall to wall, though I wasn't already making clothes, these exposures gave me a clear sense of what I liked. In my case, the music scene saturated but there was still much to learn from being a designer that was fuelled by my love for style and fashion. So here I am.

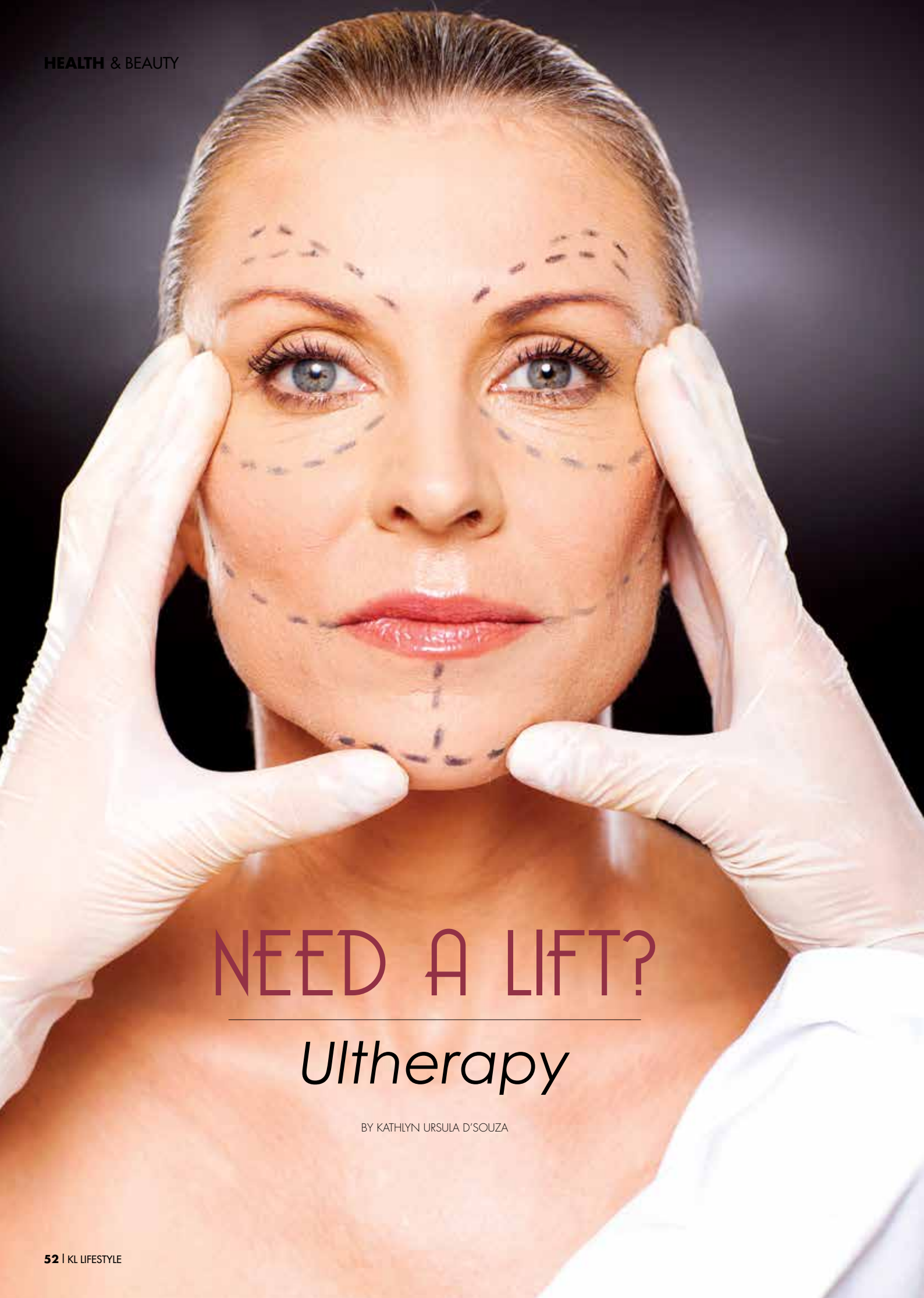
Describe the kind of woman or man who would wear your designs?

Tha man, Brad Goreski – celebrity stylist extraordinaire that everyone probably knows from The Rachel Zoe project. Someone who is confident, comfortable in his own skin, understands self-expression and has a strong sense of self-identity.

The woman who would wear my designs would carry herself as Rihanna or Naomi Campbell would. Opulent and stylish with elegance, youthfulness and funky taste. She would be bold when she wants and be confident with herself.

Talk us through your latest collection.

For this season, my collection, Twisted Basic draws inspirations from street wear and club culture, marrying quirky sensibilities with fine fabrics and sharp tailoring. Street wear basics of bomber jackets and jogger pants are elevated with the use of luxe fabrics such as jacquard silk while traditional camouflage prints make its mark on fine Italian cotton. The intricate designs featured on military-inspired shirts are painstakingly hand-embroidered. Pattern prints take centre stage to give each piece a strong sense of identity within the collection. And for the minimalist, monochromatic pieces showcase a new take on utility wear alongside sporty-influenced pieces such as the heavily-printed suits and beautiful evening dresses.



NEED A LIFT?

Ultherapy

BY KATHLYN URSULA D'SOUZA

Youth has always been something that people covet. There is an obsession with it that nobody can deny. Hollywood stars are looking younger and younger, Korean stars have flawless V-shaped faces and Instagram has pretty much catapulted vanity into a whole new level. However, nobody can also deny the law of gravity and its effects on our body. It explains why the plastic/cosmetic surgery industry is thriving.

For those ready to take a plunge, perfection is merely one slice, one tuck or one reconstruction away. What about for us mere mortals? Those of us who crave a chiseled jawline, a lifted brow line or less of a double chin but are unwilling to deal with the thought of being cut open here and there, let alone really go through the process?

There is one thing, though: Ultherapy.

The method, Ultherapy – what is it?

It is a “revolutionary beauty treatment with no downtime using sound waves”. A treatment that uses – not knives, not needles – but sound to lift the skin. When KL Lifestyle headed over to Premier Clinic, Bangsar, a one-on-one session with the consultant, Dr Kee Yong Seng, put things into a clearer perspective. In a nutshell, think plastic surgery but without the actual surgery.

Ultherapy is the ONLY non-invasive procedure cleared by the FDA to lift the skin.

The mechanics – what’s it like and how does it work exactly?

It does use sound, yes, and that’s something that’s associated with one thing we’re very familiar with – ultrasound. That’s already an indication as to how safe Ultherapy is; that even pregnant women are able to undergo this treatment.

What Ultherapy really does is build collagen. It stimulates collagen production

by delivering ultrasound energy to the skin’s foundational layer without disrupting the skin. This energy triggers a natural response under the skin, jumpstarting the regenerative process that produces fresh, new collagen.

The treatment process – how does it go, and for how long?

Again, no needles means no needle marks, no peeling, no bruising. You’ll be led into a treatment room, rested on a comfortable, reclining treatment chair.

After cleansing the skin and identifying the specific areas to be treated, the consultant will apply the ultrasound gel and place the smooth treatment applicator against your skin. Next, the consultant will use Ultherapy’s ultrasound imaging to first see deep within the skin to determine optimal placement of the treatment energy, and then deliver the focused ultrasound energy beneath the skin’s surface.

During the treatment, you will feel tiny amounts of energy being deposited to precise depths, indicating that the collagen-building process has been initiated, as Dr Kee said. These “hotspots” last for less than 3 seconds. Comfort levels can vary from person to person, but the sensation only lasts while the energy is being delivered. However, putting their customers’ worries in mind and at bay, the face is numbed to minimise any form of discomfort should there be any.

Ultherapy is only a 60-to-90 minute procedure, depending on how large an area one chooses to treat. Of course, a consultant will analyse the patient before recommending the areas.

The results – how soon can I see it and how long does it last?

Some patients see an initial effect right after their treatment, but the real results appear over 2–3 months as new collagen works to lift and tighten skin

on the neck, chin and brow as well as smooth skin on the chest. While Ultherapy won’t duplicate the results of a facelift, it’s a clinically proven non-invasive alternative for those not ready for surgery—and can even be an option for patients who wish to extend the effects of cosmetic surgery.

The pre-treatment and post-treatment care – should I be doing anything?

Absolutely nothing. There is no down time, and no follow-up treatment is required. One does not need to hide from the public eye following treatment, as the treatment runs so much deeper than the surface.

Some patients might experience slight swelling, tingling or tenderness to the touch, but the sensations will go off after 5 to 7 days.

The patients – who are they?

Ladies over 40 or 50, but some start as early as mid-20s.

The prices – how much is this treatment per session?

Face: RM8,000
Face and neck: RM12,000
Eye area: RM4,000
Jawline: RM6,000

Where can I get an Ultherapy treatment?

Premier Clinic,
Bangsar branch
40, Jalan Telawi, Bangsar Baru,
Kuala Lumpur

Or

Premier Clinic
TTDI branch
31 Jalan Wan Kadir 2,
Taman Tun Dr Ismail,
Kuala Lumpur



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You are not the only one who envies those Instagram-tagged hair goals. Though, it is important to keep in mind that it is the work of professionals that can make hair look that good. Jeff Lee Hair Company comes to mind when it involves a transformation that keeps your crowning glory in great shape. We don't usually frequent the Sri Petaling area but this salon seemed worth the visit with its glowing reviews about its professional services. Parking is simple despite the area's incredible amount of eateries. Just go into the opposite building of the salon and you're set. From outside, we were already excited to see the team of stylists that were ready to welcome us. Entering the salon, we were directed to our seats in front of what looked like a British grandeur mirror. We felt like royalty and now we had entrusted them with our crowns.

For the review, we decided that the three of us, Eyda, Mila and I were going to try different levels of hair colouring as recommended by the experts. Each stylist was warm and friendly, conversation flowed like we've known each other ever since we had hair. You could clearly see the family-oriented environment. In fact, there were even brother stylists who were on duty that day. My hair was handled by the crème de la crème of the hairstylists, Jeff Lee. A professional that has handled major blogger names and has more than a decade of experience – evident in the way he handled the wildest hair,

Jeff Lee Hair Company

Destress your Tresses and Say
Hey to Good Hair

BY JACQUELINE BENITA PAUL

mine. He did not even flinch when I showed him the hair colour that I was going for since it was a drastic change. Instead, he nodded and proceeded with the process and explained each step along the way. While he was handling my mane, he took the time to teach his students/stylists new methods in a calm and collected manner. Clearly, he customises his methods according to his client's needs, thus earning him many regulars.

For Mila, her previous low lights had faded thus her stylist, Edwin recommended her to go with blue low lights that suited her personality. A little cheeky but still elegant in her own right. To keep her hair healthy after the colouring, she underwent a cold hair treatment that keeps the scalp fresh and rejuvenated. As for Eyda, she wanted a natural look that would bring out her fair skin tone and give a demure look. Jeff Lee's Hair Company's speciality is its Korean hair treatment that features a full back massage with a treatment that results in silky smooth hair. From the look on her face, she seemed to be having a great time. As for me, my major hair transformation involved two colour tones that were mixed to create a rose gold colour and expertly done curls to accentuate the look. Using Shiseido products, we knew this new look will not only last long but the quality would allow our hair to remain in its best condition.



Before

After



After

We loved Jeff Lee Hair Company because of its chilled, anything-but-stressful ambience and the prices won't break the bank or compromise the results. In all certainty, we can say that we left feeling really great about our hair. We left with the look that we loved, whether or not it was dramatic.

Before



After



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Damansara, PJU 5/13, Petaling Jaya

BY KATHLYN URSULA D'SOUZA



believes that luxury, beauty and general wellbeing can achieve the same amazing results as hotel spas, if not better. Products used here are by Aromatherapy Associates Ltd, and it happens to be the owner's favourite brand. Being the brand's exclusive distributor in Australia and New Zealand, it was her dream to have a day spa carrying her favourite products here in her home country.

Internationally renowned, the brand's products and treatments have transformed the aromatherapy experience into something highly effective, luxurious and ground-breaking.

Here, only the highest-quality ingredients are used. Hand blended at first extraction, patrons can rest assured that there are absolutely no chemicals involved. Without any external or additional substances such as chemical pesticides or herbicides, the ingredients bring about quick and lasting results, stimulating radiance, longevity, health and wellness.

All their oils for bath and shower, face, body, room fragrances and essence contain 100 per cent natural ingredients, and most of them incorporate vegetable oils and plant-derived base materials such as evening primrose oil and Shea butter. Apart from that, the products used in A'roma is also used and recommended by luxury 5-or-6 star spas around the world. You know that means something if that was the case.

A'roma also incorporates products that strictly do not use mineral or sulphonated oils which can block the performance of the essential oils, GM ingredients, sodium lauryl sulphate (SLS), petrolatum, propylene glycol, synthetic colours or fragrances, parabens and especially ingredients that have been tested on animals, save for silk and beeswax which are animal by-products.

If you're involved with your own go-green campaign or are in any way associated with the movement, you'll be delighted to find that the products used here have a traceability right back to the farmer, and from plant to bottle, they never compromise on product safety, stability or efficacy.

Their packaging, glass and plastic are also recyclable, and their cartons have Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) accreditation. All this is done to minimise carbon footprint while also keeping in mind the customers' need for a spectacular experience and pay-off.

Bringing together spectacular products and a stunning concept, A'roma has certainly set the benchmark for luxury urban spas.

Essential Rose Facial

One of the highlighted treatments at A'roma is the Essential Rose Facial, which focuses on the incredible regenerative properties of rose and frankincense, which will work best for those specifically aiming for anti-ageing properties.

Rose works on the skin at a deep level, encouraging cellular renewal and helping prevent lined, dull complexions. Frankincense has been long prized for its incredible anti-ageing skincare properties. Harvested from trees on the dry Somalian savannah, Frankincense is firming and toning to the skin and helps keep it glowing with youth and freshness.

So, if you're looking for your next treat for yourself, you know where the place to be is. Head to A'roma, close the door, close your eyes and let all the stress go.

For more information, do visit www.aaroma.com.my or contact 03-6143 7633.

Hotel spas have a reputation for being the best, yes, we can all agree on that. However, it is a luxury that most of us can only wish to afford. When we are in dire need of a pampering session, we naturally want and feel like we deserve the best so hotels would have to wait.

Well, the good news is that, thanks to A'roma, that kind of luxury is now attainable.

A'roma was opened three years ago by a Malaysian-born Chinese owner who has been living in Australia and genuinely



30-Day NO Sugar Challenge

Say Goodbye to the Sweet Life

BY KATHLYN URSULA D'SOUZA

Sugar, sugar, sugar. How can we ever live without it? Our *teh tarik*, Milo *ais* and pretty much everything else would never taste the same and life without sugar is well ... not sweet. Yes, life would definitely be insipid but the benefits of cutting off sugar completely may more or less make up for it. Now we don't mean it in a "Nescafe *ais kurang manis*" way, we mean *totally, absolutely and thoroughly* "no sugar at all". This challenge requires you to eliminate refined sugar and natural sweeteners or artificial sweeteners. Natural sugar, of course, found in fruits and vegetables is acceptable.

THE RULES

We'll keep it concise, but if you ever need a thorough step-by-step guide to this challenge, log on to www.whole30.com (as they even provide an entire shopping list for this) but to provide a gist of it, you are allowed to have meat, seafood, eggs, plenty of vegetables, fruits and good fats from oils, nuts and seeds.

Naturally, the list of what you're NOT allowed to have is much longer such as added sugar (of any kind, real or artificial), alcohol, grains, legumes, dairy, MSG, sulphides, baked goods, junk food (even the ones with an "approved" label). Also, one final rule; do not step on the scale, take any measurement or employ any form of weight checking during the entire month.

Well, that's that but all we ever really care about are the results, so here's what you should expect:

THE RESULTS

Your heart will thank you

Added sugar chronically raises insulin levels, which activate the sympathetic nervous system, increasing blood pressure and heart rate. Within a few weeks' of cutting off sugar, you'll find at least a 10% decrease in cholesterol and a 20-30% decrease in triglycerides. Your blood pressure would also eventually settle.

You will have clear, pristine skin

Giving up the soda and other drinks mixed with a considerable amount sugar would have you looking younger and your skin would positively glow. There would be no need for that expensive concealer anymore.

Your risk of diabetes will be very low

Eating added sugar promotes the buildup of fatty deposits around your liver. These deposits contribute to insulin resistance and undermine the work done by your pancreas, which normally stalls the production of insulin. In a study conducted by Robert Lustig, MD and author of *Fat Chance: Beating The Odds Against Sugar, Processed Food, Obesity and Disease*, Lustig found that eating 150 calories of added sugar is 11 times more likely to contribute to the development of type 2 diabetes, compared with 150 calories from protein or fat.

You will smile more and be happier

Obviously, you'll be experiencing withdrawal symptoms the first few days, especially if you're dependent on sugar for quick fixes, energy boosts and comfort food. Get out of that maze, because research has found that people who take on a diet with a lot of added sugars and refined grains are more likely to be anxious, irritable and moody.

You will have sweet dreams

Random intakes of sugar would cause one to have equally random moments of energy spikes and sudden sluggishness. The added sugar also affects cortisol, the hormone responsible for sleep. Cut the sugar out, and you'll be more awake during the day and rightfully prepared for slumber at night.

You will have better memory

Added sugar interferes with learning and memory, as over time, it may cause damage the communication in your brain, a UCLA study shows. Be sharp without sugar!

WHAT YOU REALLY WANT: You will lose weight

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As Managing Director of Malaysia Airports Holdings Berhad, Datuk Badlisham Ghazali is fast gaining recognition in the global aviation world. A speaker at the World Routes Strategy Summit in Chicago in 2014 and the 22nd Global Airport Development Conference in 2015, he is also Special Advisor to Airports Council International Asia-Pacific. He sits on the Boards of the international airports at Hyderabad and Istanbul.

This month, Datuk Badlisham shares his thoughts on the corporate performance of Malaysia Airports.



AIRPORT MD SPEAKS

"It has been three months since Malaysia Airports Holdings Berhad held our Annual General Meeting. I am pleased that there was much to rejoice about. For one thing, the year 2015 was an exciting year for Malaysia

Airports as it saw the successful acquisition of Istanbul Sabiha Gokcen International Airport (ISGIA). With this premier international facility added to the 39 airports we manage in Malaysia, Malaysia Airports became the second-largest airport-operator in the world in terms of number of passengers handled.

"In 2015, the Group handled a total of 112 million passengers, a growth of 4.7% from the previous year. This trend is expected to continue with the strong support of robust growth from ISGIA, where passenger-traffic is expected to attain double digit growth in 2016. Our Malaysian operations also promise encouraging growth in passenger-traffic.

"ICAO and IATA have projected global passenger-traffic growth of 6.3% and 6.9% respectively for 2016. For Asia-Pacific, IATA forecasts a high 8.0% growth for this year. Asia-Pacific continues to be the world's largest air-travel sector. Within this



region, Malaysia is located at the heart of ASEAN, which has a population of more than 600 million.

"Prospects are augmented arrivals from China and India with their extraordinary large population and economic growth. Furthermore, the move by the Government of Malaysia to give 15-day Visa Free status to tour groups from China and the implementation of eVisas will provide the added dynamism required by the industry in 2016. The Group also continues to collaborate closely with Tourism Malaysia to promote Malaysia as a vibrant tourist destination. Based on the prevailing factors, we expect 2016 passenger traffic for the Group's Malaysia operations to record 86.0 million movements, or 2.5% above 2015 passenger numbers.



"In addition, the KLIA Aeropolis development plan, excluding airport terminal operations and expansion, is estimated to attract a gross domestic product (GDP) contribution of about RM30 billion with 56,000 jobs created over a 15-year period, based on the economic impact analysis conducted by PricewaterhouseCoopers. We are banking on stimulating economic activity through logistics, aerospace and MICE/leisure segments through the Aeropolis development, which will also serve as an engine for tourism growth. Thus the overall outlook for Malaysia Airports is expected to remain healthy.

"Another pleasing fact was that Malaysia Airports recorded earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation in the financial year ended 31 December 2015, was up 113.4% from 2014. Strong revenue growth, primarily from our operations in Turkey, boosted the EBITDA level. The strong commercial performance in Malaysian operations is another contributing factor to the rise in revenue, despite the backdrop of weaker consumer spending sentiment.

"Malaysia Airports saw a total passenger movement of 112 million passengers, improving by 4.7% from the previous year. The growth was most marked at ISG with overall passenger

traffic of 28.3 million translating to a growth of 19.7% hence, retaining its position as the fastest growing airport in Europe. ISGIA recorded a growth of 23.6% and 12.8% for domestic and international passengers respectively. In Malaysia, meanwhile, total aircraft movements grew by 5.8%, with the domestic sector recording a higher growth of 6.4% while the international sector saw a 4.8% growth.

"Malaysia Airports continues to further develop KLIA's capacity as a regional hub with seamless connectivity, and to boost the Group's marketing efforts to attract new airlines. The return of British Airways, All Nippon Airways and Air China in 2015 and the extended code-share partnership between Malaysia Airlines and Emirates is a positive indication of continuing potential demand for air travel. Lower fuel prices

may help to stimulate air-travel demand in 2016 as profitability for airlines will increase and this could in turn, encourage increased promotional offers and lower fares.

"In conclusion, I am very pleased to note that over the past decade, Malaysia Airports' shareholder-return has been more than 500%, and market capitalisation has grown more than six times over the same period. By any measure, this is indeed an impressive corporate performance! I must reiterate that our corporate performance would not be possible without the active contributions from our Board of Directors, shareholders, airline partners, Government agencies, retailers, joint venture partners, vendors and suppliers; and thank them all for their continuous support in helping Malaysia Airports realise our goals; may we together reach even greater heights in the future!"





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ASEAN's first Airport City takes off!

Malaysia Airports launches KLIA Aeropolis.



A multimodal business-nexus serving the aerospace, aviation, air-cargo and logistics industries; an integrated airport-city where business and leisure seamlessly co-exist, bolstering a new economy where connectivity, speed and agility in communications converge. This is the exciting concept that is becoming a dynamic reality with the recent launch of KLIA Aeropolis.

By embracing change and improving on its functional core as an airport, the world's first Next Generation Hub is now poised to become the core of ASEAN's first Airport City! Strategically located at the heart of ASEAN - which is among the fastest-growing markets in the world - KLIA connects to more than 130 destinations. Home to Malaysia Airlines with its membership in the oneworld alliance and its globe-spanning tie-up with Emirates, KLIA is also the base for the Asia and ASEAN networks of both Malindo and Air Asia.

With more than 60 airlines flying into KLIA, and good overland-connections to major ports, KLIA Aeropolis is the hub that provides optimum connectivity via air, land and sea. This is the strategic gateway to the growing power of ASEAN and Asia! The development is expected to drive more business investments and tourist traffic to Malaysia. As a centre for urban growth and development, it will spur an increase in employment opportunities, thus stimulating the local economy while providing exciting investment potential to astute business-leaders from all over the world.

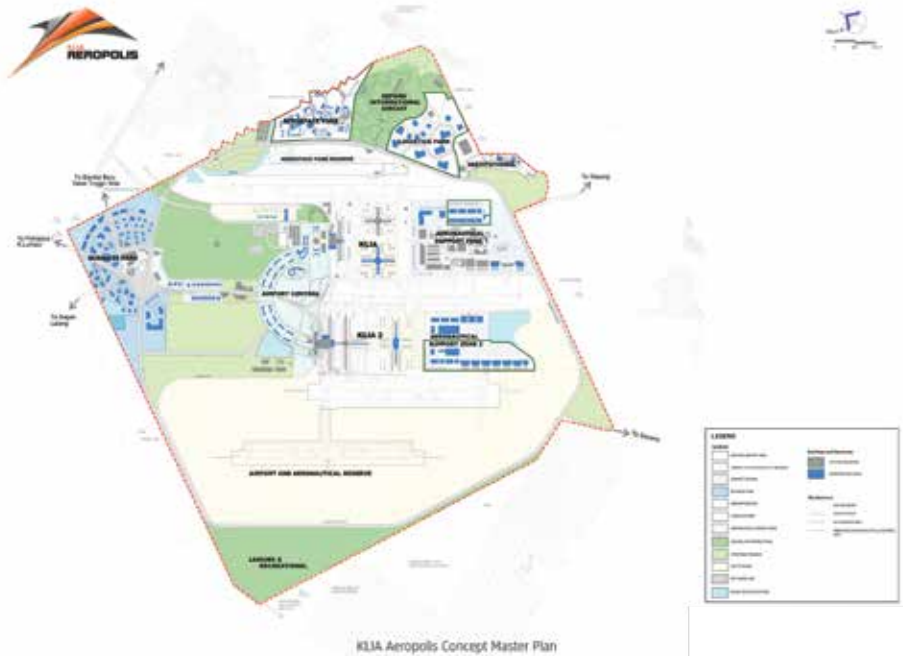
Malaysia Airports Senior General Manager Planning Muhamad Khair Mirza Abdul Hamid says that the KLIA Aeropolis is an ecosystem development that is aligned with Malaysia's development agenda which aims to elevate the country to developed-nation status by 2020. As a world-class airport city with high standards

and as a tourist destination in its own right, the success of KLIA Aeropolis will allow Malaysia Airports to transform from an infrastructure-provider to a key economic enabler by contributing significantly to national GDP and job creation.

Sprawling over a 100 square km area, KLIA Aeropolis functions as an integral part of a larger industry and aviation ecosystem. It is the heart of Malaysia Airports' aerospace belt that extends beyond KLIA, into Subang and Melaka, as well as being the main hub of Malaysia's air-cargo network that extends to the airports in Penang, Sabah and Sarawak.

About 60% of the land is designated for airport and aeronautical use, with the KL International Airport as its core. The rest would be demarcated into zones comprising





the Airport Central that would function as its core commercial area, a business park, an aerospace park, a logistics park, the aeronautical support zone, as well as a leisure and recreational zone.

Basically, KLIA Aeropolis focuses on the development of three key clusters: Air Cargo & Logistics, Aerospace & Aviation, and MICE & Leisure which are perfectly aligned to the country's development agenda. It is also a manifestation of the Malaysian government's commitment in responding to regional needs for an aerospace and aviation hub, and to the needs for logistics expansion as a result of e-commerce growth, all within Asia and ASEAN.

KLIA Aeropolis is therefore a synergistic offering to the market, providing all business facilitation services, ancillary connected services and land development opportunities. The enormous 10km by 10km land size in Sepang has been said to be more than the total land area of Cyberjaya and Putrajaya

combined! This will allow investing partners long-term unhindered development.

Malaysia Airports General Manager Corporate Planning Randhill Singh is passionate about the project he helped nurture into reality. "Simply put, KLIA Aeropolis is an idea whose time has come. In an age of global air-travel, this is the first integrated, purpose-built airport city in the entire ASEAN region. KLIA Aeropolis is therefore Malaysia's positive response to a growing regional need. It places the nation on a leading platform in the world of commercial aviation, and is the vital first step for Malaysia Airports to fulfil its objective of becoming a "Global Leader in Creating Airport Cities", he explains.

Malaysia Airports General Manager Airline Marketing Mohamed Sallauddin Haji Mat Sah sums things up succinctly when he says that "The development of KLIA Aeropolis will strengthen KLIA as the air-hub of choice at the heart of Southeast Asia. Airlines will now have a holistic airport-city that is a dynamic destination in its own right. When they choose to fly to the



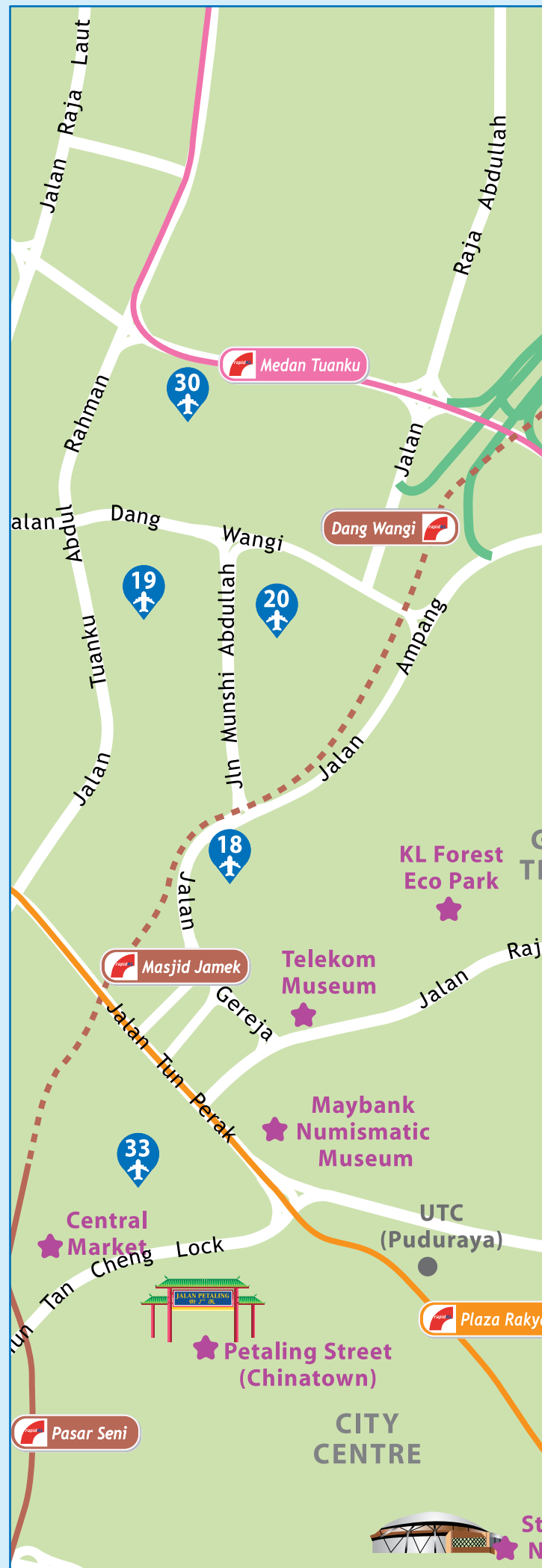
world's first Next Generation Hub, they will be also arriving at an integrated airport city that provides the complete and comprehensive range of facilities and services they require – from MRO for their aircraft to more conveniences for their passengers.

"The arrival of more airlines and the increase in airport-usage, will in turn, generate a higher level of professionalism and job-satisfaction amongst the airport community, which further strengthens Malaysia's standing as a world-class destination of choice. It is a win-win situation for everyone!"

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CHINA SOUTHERN strengthens in Sabah



The biggest airline in Asia is seeing strengthening on its route to Sabah, says China Southern Airlines General Manager for Malaysia Li Yi Dong. "Since we reinstated the flights connecting Guangzhou, the capital of Guangdong province to the state capital of Sabah in December 2015, we have been encouraged by the response of the markets on both sides of this route. Departures from Kota Kinabalu are on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at the convenient time of 7.20pm, arriving in Guangzhou at 10.35pm.

"With China Southern Airlines connecting from Kota Kinabalu, residents of Sabah, Labuan and the nearby regions of Indonesia and the Philippines have a direct connection into mainland China, and onward to 150 domestic destinations within China. With Guangzhou and Beijing as its hubs, China Southern Airlines has a global route-network reaching 1052 destinations, connecting 177 countries and regions across the world."



Li Yi Dong explains that China Southern is the largest airline in Asia by fleet-size and the fifth-largest airline in the world by number of passengers. Apart from the three weekly flights from Kota Kinabalu, it has four daily flights from KLIA. For ticketing and reservations, please call **03-2163 9977** (KL), or contact your nearest travel-agent.



VIETJET arrives in Malaysia



The inaugural flight of Vietnam's first new-age low-cost carrier arrived at KLIA last month to lots of fanfare and celebration. The flight arrived in Kuala Lumpur at 12:25 on a bright and sunny afternoon. The Guest of Honour was His Excellency the Deputy Prime Minister of The Socialist Republic of Vietnam Trinh Dinh Dung. Other dignitaries included the Deputy Director General (Strategic & Domestic) of Tourism Malaysia Chong Yoke Har, and the Vice Chairman of Vietjet Air Dr. Nguyen Thanh Hung

Assembled at the Arrival Lounge was a large group of travel-agents and members of the airline community, as well as diplomats and business leaders. The large contingent of management and staff from Malaysia Airports was led by Managing Director Datuk Badlisham Ghazali

The airline's newest international route connecting Kuala Lumpur with Ho Chi Minh City operates daily with a flying time of about one hour and 55 minutes. Vietjet has already opened 47 routes in Vietnam and across the region to international destinations such as Thailand, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan, China, Myanmar and Malaysia.

Tickets can be booked at www.vietjetair.com (also compatible with smartphones at <https://m.vietjetair.com>) or at www.facebook.com/vietjetvietnam.





UZBEKISTAN AIRWAYS celebrates 25 years!

The national airline of the Republic of Uzbekistan celebrates its 25th Anniversary in Malaysia in April 2017, says Country Manager Sherzod Akmalov. "Uzbekistan Airways landed in Malaysia a few months after it began operations, making Kuala Lumpur one of the first international destinations on our global network", he said. "Not many international airlines have maintained a consistent presence in the Malaysian market for quarter of a century!"

Uzbekistan Airways was established in January 1992 and today operates a modern fleet of Airbus 320 and Boeing 757, 764, and 767 aircraft. Its futuristic Dreamliner

787 begins service next month, July 2016. It is currently implementing a large-scale redevelopment exercise involving fleet renewal, upgrading of ground infrastructure and enhancing staff-training. This well-established airline caters for both business and economy class passengers who will experience the unique hospitality of Uzbekistan the moment they board the aircraft.

Uzbekistan Airways flies to over 40 destinations around the world, including 11 domestic airports within the country. As one of the prominent carriers in the CIS regions, it operates two flights weekly



from Kuala Lumpur to various destinations in Europe, United States, Middle East, Russian Federation, Japan and surrounding countries using Tashkent as the hub. For more information and ticket-reservations, please call MHV International, the official GSA for Uzbekistan Airways in Malaysia, Singapore and Indonesia, at **03-2166 3439**.



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HONG KONG AIRLINES connects Sarawak

Hong Kong Airlines' inaugural flight to Kuching from Hong Kong was greeted with a water-cannon salute while taxiing onto the parking apron. On hand to receive the flight were a host of dignitaries and travel-industry leaders, led by Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Tourism and CEO of the Sarawak Tourism Board (STB) Datu Ik Pahon Joyik. The Malaysia Airports team was led by General Manager (Marketing) Mohamed Sallauddin Hj Mat Sah and General Manager (MASB) Mohammad Suhaimi Abdul Mubin. Arriving

on the flight was Hong Kong Airlines Deputy General Manager, Business Development-Commercial Johnny Wan.

Passengers arriving on the maiden Hong Kong Airlines flight HX715 were given a traditional Sarawak welcome with a cultural troupe garlanding them with Sarawak beads and presenting goodie-bags as they disembarked from the aircraft. In addition, the passengers were also greeted at the arrival-hall with colourful dances and loud celebratory music from the Twin Lions Group and the Kampung Boyan Hadrah Troupe.

Also at the airport to see off the plane's full complement of departing passengers were Country Manager Vivian Ku and Sales Manager Stephanie Low of Discover The World, the Malaysian GSA for Hong Kong Airlines.

Ik Pahon Joyik expressed confidence that the new route would be the beginning of keenly-planned results from the board's marketing direction. He said the inaugural flight had been long awaited with talks and engagements with the airline since the state hosted Routes Asia 2014. "For the past several years, we have worked on the state's accessibility into North Asia with the aim of creating a new 'hub' to tap into the markets of Greater China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Japan and South Korea," he stated.

Hong Kong Airlines connects Kuching with Hong Kong and other destinations across its wide network covering over 30 major cities across the Asia Pacific region, including Beijing, Shanghai, Taipei, Tokyo, Sapporo and Okinawa. Flights depart from Kuching twice a week, every Wednesday and Saturday. For tickets and reservations, please contact your preferred travel-agents; call Discover the World at **03-2715 1155**, or e-mail hkairlines@discover-kul.com



SRIWIJAYA AIR reaches Alor Setar



Indonesian carrier Sriwijaya Air recently operated three flights between Medan in North Sumatra to Alor Setar in Kedah, using Boeing 737-800 aircraft. The airline currently operates flights from Medan to Penang and Ipoh. Bumi Aviation Sdn Bhd Managing Director Abdul Wahab Mat Isa said that more flights to Alor Setar are in the pipeline.



On hand to greet the inaugural flight was a group of government and private-sector leaders, led by Dato' Haji Mohd Rawi Abd Hamid, the Chairman of the Tourism and Heritage Committee of the state of Kedah Darul Aman. The Malaysia Airports team was led by Puteh Ramli, the Airport Manager of Alor Setar's Sultan Abdul Halim Airport.



Founded in 2003, Sriwijaya Air received the Boeing International Award for Safety and Maintenance of aircraft in 2007. It also won the Nielsen Indonesia Superbrands Award in 2012. Today, it is one of Indonesia's leading carriers, carrying over 800,000 passengers a month to 43 destinations in Indonesia, Singapore and Malaysia.

For ticketing and reservations, please call **04 - 731 2096**.

TIANJIN visitors discover Sabah



There was a colourful celebration in Kota Kinabalu when charter-flights were inaugurated from Tianjin in northern China to the state-capital of Sabah. Tianjin Huatian Travel Trades Air Agency Co. of China organised the flights, using aircraft from Malaysia Airlines Berhad.

Speaking at the earlier launching ceremony in Tianjin, Sabah Tourism Board Chairman Datuk Joniston Bangkuai welcomed the visitors and media-members from China, on behalf of the State Government, State Tourism Ministry and Sabah Tourism Board. He hoped the development would mean more Chinese tourists would be able to discover the State's various tourism attractions.

"The first two months of this year saw a marked increase in the arrival of Chinese tourists into Sabah and we would like to see this growth

continue Tianjin is quite strategic as it's only half an hour from Beijing by bullet train and I was told the population there is more than 15 million. Imagine if we can attract just 1% of those 15 million people! We also hope that these charter-flights will encourage the establishment of direct scheduled flights between Tianjin and Kota Kinabalu", he added.

Malaysia Airports General Manager (Marketing) Mohamed Sallauddin Haji Mat Sah said that there has been a steady increase in charter-flights from China to various destinations in Malaysia, with Sabah being a firm favourite due to its convenient location, impressive scenery, unique culture, rich biodiversity and delicious seafood. "I echo Datuk Joniston's wish that there will eventually be scheduled-charter and scheduled flights from Tianjin", he concluded.

The Pier Business Lounge opens for CATHAY



Discerning passengers of both Cathay Pacific and Cathay Dragon have been enjoying the ambience and facilities of the Cathay Pacific Airways Business Class lounge at The Pier within Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA), since it re-opened recently following a comprehensive refurbishment and enlargement. Located adjacent to Gate 65 in the North West concourse of HKIA, the new Business Class lounge occupies a space of 3,306 square metres with seating for 550 people.

Reflecting the airline's commitment to a Life Well Travelled, the overall concept has been designed around a street concept with a distinctly Hong Kong identity, enabling passengers to enjoy the facilities according to their preferred pace. The lounge experience starts from the street which is divided into "fast" and "slow" lanes.

Entering the fast lane, passengers will find an array of food and beverage offerings. Among the various dining options are The Food Hall, a fun and vibrant space with self-service kiosks, and The Noodle Bar - an iconic feature of Cathay Pacific's lounges. The slow lane features glazed timber screens and extensive lounge-seating with views out of the big glass windows as well as Cathay Pacific's bespoke Solo Chairs, each equipped with a built-in reading lamp and an individual side-table.

Beyond the bustle of the street, passengers enter the Tea House - a brand-new feature developed specifically for The Pier Business Class Lounge. This is a quiet space which marks the transition into the Wellbeing Area where fourteen shower suites and a relaxation room, featuring low upholstered loungers and footstools, offer a calm and stress-free environment in which to freshen up and wind down.

The Pier Business Class Lounge is accessible to First and Business Class passengers, Silver and above Marco Polo Club members, members of all tiers who



earned lounge-passes and/or their friends and family members, and Emerald and Sapphire oneworld members. For ticketing or reservations, please call **04-261 8397** (Penang) **088-254 733** (Kota Kinabalu) **03-2035 2777** (Kuala Lumpur) or email kulres_tkg@cathaypacific.com.

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Interview with
Kenneth Wong Wai Keen
Sales Manager Malaysia
AIR ASTANA

His education and first few years in the working world were in the hospitality industry; and when he made the transition to commercial aviation, Kenneth Wong found two things in his training and experience that stood him in good stead: a personal dedication to guest-service, and a professional commitment to teamwork. This is particularly true of the airline that he was designated to handle in his company's portfolio.

According to him, Air Astana is a young and active airline from Kazakhstan. It commenced flying into Malaysia in October 2009 with a weekly flight. This was doubled to twice-weekly in Nov 2010, and with increasing demand, the frequency was increased to the current three times weekly. “More and more people in Malaysia are becoming aware that Air Astana is the most reliable airline in the CIS region, with the highest standards of customer-service. As the Official Carrier for Expo 2017 in Kazakhstan, we hope to bring a closer relation with Malaysia, one of the participating countries for this event, and to see a strengthening of our route connecting these two countries”, he says.

The national carrier of Kazakhstan was incorporated in late 2001 and operates scheduled domestic and international services from its main bases at the international airports of Astana and Almaty. Today Air Astana operates a fleet of 30 modern aircraft with an average age of 6.98 years. It currently operates to 65 domestic and international destinations. Its passengers are served by more than 4,300 highly-

qualified staff, the majority of whom are from Kazakhstan, supplemented by experienced foreign personnel.

Air Astana has purchase-orders in place for new Boeing 787, Boeing 767, Airbus A320 and Embraer 190-family aircraft. These will expand the fleet to 36 aircraft by the end of 2017, and to 43 aircraft by 2020. The airline is now recognized as a clear leader in the CIS region of the former Soviet Union, as it continues to complement its modern fleet with a large number of technical and service innovations designed to ensure that air-travel to, from and within Kazakhstan is as reliable and convenient as possible. It is also gaining recognition on its international routes spanning Europe and Asia.

Kenneth Wong is very enthusiastic about the airline's work-ethic. “I really like that the corporate values of Air Astana emphasise both personal and professional conduct. Personally, we should be hospitable and treat every person with whom we come into contact - customer or colleague - as a guest. We are encouraged to be friendly, tactful, and always willing to help. This fits perfectly with my own education and training.”

“We are also constantly reminded that we are professional people who should produce high-quality results with knowledge and style; and that we should maximise our skills and use our time efficiently. We anticipate and respond to the needs of customers and colleagues positively. As professionals, we are trained to do things to the very best of our ability and are encouraged to always be looking for ways to improve – to try to work to the highest standards of integrity and business-ethics in our daily schedules so that customers and colleagues can trust us”, he explains.

Travel-agents and tour-operators in and around Kuala Lumpur describe this hard-working young Sales Manager as being really dedicated to the airline he works for. Just mention the carrier and he gets animated. “As the national flag-carrier, Air Astana is a global ambassador for Kazakhstan. Every good airline has its own unique identity, and I can say very confidently that Air Astana has the distinctive service and hospitality that is uniquely Kazakh.”

“Whether you fly with us for business or leisure, you will really have the special experience of Kazakhstan! I invite frequent flyers and those flying long-haul from Asia to Europe to come and experience the unique Kazakh hospitality and inflight service yourself. You will appreciate the distinctive difference of Eurasian culture and cuisine on board our aircraft”, Kenneth Wong states emphatically.

His enthusiasm for the airline continues as he elaborates on one particular facet of the service industry. “Just as an aircraft is made up of thousands of different parts that work together perfectly to empower it to fly, so too, an airline is made up of thousands of different people who work together perfectly to provide each guest with an excellent flight experience”, he continues “Whether it is in the Kuala Lumpur office, or across Air Astana's international network, I believe each of us has an important role to play as part of one team. It doesn't matter how small our job may be, we are still part of the function of the Air Astana team. And when our Company Objective says that from the Heart of Eurasia we are building one of the finest airlines in the world, I believe that each of us is a part of the work in progress.”





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ABDUL LATIFF MOHIDIN B. N. Sembilan, 1941
Gelombang Rimba, 1995
Oil on canvas 137 x 167 cm
SOLD AT RM 383,246

Calendars were marked yet again on 26 June 2016, as KLAS hosted its twenty-first auction thus far, the KLAS Art Auction Edition XXI at Le Meridien, Kuala Lumpur. It was the third auction of the year, and a total of 82 lots were on display for art bidders.

The modern and contemporary art auction featured prized works of Malaysian and Asian masters from around the region. With big names and magnificent masterpieces that went under the hammer, the crowd turn-up was impressive and art aficionados left with a bargain.

As KLAS featured two artworks by famed artist Latiff Mohidin, it didn't come off as a surprise when aforementioned artworks peaked in sales and topped the list of most expensive pieces sold in the KLAS Art Auction Edition XXI.

Latiff's Gelombang Rimba (1995) sold for RM383, 248 and his Pago-Pago Sculpture (1970) sold for RM202, 896. Awang Damit Ahmad's Marista "Pun-Pun dan Biangsung" (1996) followed closely behind with RM146, 536 and another piece by him, "E.O.C Sisa Semusim" (1994) sold for RM56, 360.

One of Khalil Ibrahim's more unique work which took on a more pop-art and abstract approach sold for RM56, 360.

After a near three-hour show, guests were invited to some refreshments. KLAS is now in the midst of organising the next auction.

Art collectors and interested buyers are welcomed to visit KLAS @ 31, Jalan Utara, and our website at www.kl-lifestyle.com.my for latest news. To register as a bidder for the next auction or for any enquiries, please contact Lydia Teoh at 019 260 9668 or Shamila at 019 333 7668. You can also send your requests to info@mediate.com.my.



AWANG DAMIT AHMAD B. Sabah, 1956
Marista "Pun-Pun dan Biangsung", 1998
Mixed media on canvas 183 x 153 cm
SOLD AT RM 146, 536



AWANG DAMIT AHMAD B. Sabah, 1956
E.O.C "Sisa Semusim", 1994
Mixed media on canvas 76 x 61 cm
SOLD AT RM 56,360.00



KHALIL IBRAHIM B. Kelantan, 1934
Abstract "Opus", 1969
Acrylic on canvas 107.5 x 94.5 cm
SOLD AT RM 56,360



TAJUDDIN ISMAIL, DATO' B. N. Sembilan, 1949
Balinese Garden, 2003
Acrylic on canvas 188 x 182 cm
SOLD AT RM 50,724



KHALIL IBRAHIM B. Kelantan, 1934
Abstract Series, 1992
Acrylic on canvas 60 x 91 cm
SOLD AT RM 31,561.60



SIEW HOCK MENG B. Johor, 1942
Far Away, 1989
Pastel on paper 48 x 66 cm
SOLD AT RM 30,434.40



LYE YAU FATT B. Kedah, 1950
Chattering
Mixed media on canvas 95 x 75 cm
SOLD AT RM 19,162.40



KHOO SUI HOE B. Kedah, 1939
Affection, 1964
Oil on canvas laid on board 73 x 64 cm
SOLD AT RM 20,289.60

KWAN CHIN B. Kuala Lumpur, 1946
Villagescape, 2003
Batik 98 x 107 cm
SOLD AT RM 9,581.20

KLAS^{ART} AUCTION *Edition XXII*

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Art collectors and bidders will expect another art auction that will be organised by KL Lifestyle Art Space. Mark your calendar for KLAS's fourth auction this year – the KLAS Art Auction Edition XXII, which will be held at Le Meridien Kuala Lumpur in August 2016.

Featured will be big names and magnificent masterpieces that will go under the hammer.

Among them are splendid works of local artists including Khalil Ibrahim, Awang Damit, Yusof Ghani, Ismail Latiff, Raphael Scott Ahbeng and many others that will catch your eye during the auction day.

There will also be prized works of Asian masters and some modern and emerging contemporary artists that will capture the attention of many bidders.

Art collectors and interested buyers can catch a sneak peek of these artworks at KLAS @ 31, Jalan Utara.

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ABDUL LATIFF MOHIDIN B. N. Sembilan, 1941
Gelombang Series, 1993
Oil on canvas 153 x 153 cm
RM 250,000 - RM 500,000

KHALIL IBRAHIM B. Kelantan, 1934
Grand Palace of Kota Bharu
(Kampung Home of Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah)
- Kota Bharu (5.12.1956)
Oil on canvas 34 x 50 cm
RM 28,000 - RM 50,000



AWANG DAMIT AHMAD B. Sabah, 1956
Marista Peredaran Musim 1, 1997
Mixed media on canvas 100 x 90 cm
RM 45,000 - RM 65,000

AWANG DAMIT AHMAD B. Sabah, 1956
Marista - Ingatan Yang Tersisa II, 2001
Mixed media on canvas 110 x 118.5 cm
RM 55,000 - RM 75,000



JOLLY KOH B. Singapore, 1941
Red Earth, 1976
Acrylic and oil on paper
50 x 68 cm
RM 3,500 - RM 7,000



TAJUDDIN ISMAIL, DATO' B. N. Sembilan, 1949
Interiorscape "Sunday Afternoon", 1988
Acrylic on canvas 153 x 158 cm
RM 40,000 - RM 65,000



KHOO SUI HOE B. Kedah, 1939
Two at the Top, 1982
Oil on canvas 76 x 88 cm
RM 33,000 - RM 45,000



ISMAIL ABDUL LATIFF B. Melaka, 1955
Festival of Inner Jungle, Mutiara Merah, 2012
Acrylic on canvas 90 x 71 cm
RM 9,000 - RM 15,000



KWAN CHIN B. Kuala Lumpur, 1946
At the Market, 2014
Batik 85 X 145 cm
RM 10,000 - RM 18,000



LYE YAU FATT B. Kedah, 1950
Mother and Child, 1975 Cement and Granite Edition
4/5 30 x 16 x 15 cm
RM 6,000 - RM 8,000



JULIUS WENTSCHER B. German, 1842–1918
Balinese Beauty
Oil on board 44 x 36 cm
RM 2,000 - RM 5,000



JEIHAN SUKMANTORO B. Indonesia, 1938
Untitled, 1991 Oil on canvas 40 x 50 cm
RM 5,500 - RM 7,500

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BY KATHLYN URSULA D'SOUZA

Where are you originally from and what was your hometown like?

I was born and raised in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia where I also spent most of my adult life. I grew up in a very conservative and religious environment, but I was also surrounded by people from different cultures. Jeddah is a port city close to Makkah, so we had many visitors from all over the world – Muslim pilgrims who come to the city to experience Saudi culture. I'm also Filipino, so I come from this crazy mix of Saudi and Maranao (from the southern Philippines) culture that is very family-oriented and traditional.

Jeddah is also a very strict place – women don't drive, there's segregation of the sexes everywhere (we have men-only and women-only schools, malls, restaurants, gyms, cafes, etc), we don't have cinemas, all women are covered in the abaya (a long, flowy black garment), and so on. For many like myself, we've gotten so used to it that being outside of Jeddah is quite a culture shock.

When did you arrive in Malaysia and what was your first impression?

I came to Malaysia in July 2013 to work as a publishing manager. It was the first time I left Saudi Arabia and my family to relocate, so I was nervous and scared, but also super excited. It wasn't a very easy decision to make, but when I got here, I absolutely loved Malaysia – I fitted right in! Many people think I'm Malaysian until they speak to me in Malay and I can't respond!

In so many ways, Kuala Lumpur is just like Jeddah – all these different people and cultures just existing side by side, which I'm very comfortable with. I've always told my friends who have been wanting to visit this part of Asia that they should come here,

so they can experience at least three kinds of Asia all at once.

What was the transition like moving from country to country? Do you ever get homesick? What do you miss about home?

This is my first time living outside Saudi Arabia all by myself, so far away from my family and friends, and because I come from a very sheltered background, my transition was a bit difficult. I've had to learn simple life skills that others would normally learn in college, like using public transportation (which we don't have in Jeddah), or getting and maintaining my own apartment. I do get homesick – I miss being around family and going to family gatherings, but I've made many friends here who have been nice to me and given me that feeling of having a family here, too. Plus, I get to go to the movies!

How did you get into your current career?

I had always been a writer, and I worked as a contributor and editor for magazines and newspapers back home. In 2013, I felt like I should start expanding my horizons while still keeping to what I know best, and when I got an offer to move to Malaysia, I just took it.

What was the turning point of your career and your secret to success?

I wouldn't say secret (or success, either), but I know for sure that the only way I can keep moving forward in my career is to really lean into it and let hard work drive it. I also always remind myself that I have so much to learn, and being in that "learning mode" really helps in the self-betterment and improvement area.

What is it that you love about what you do? Any challenges?

I love words, so that really helps. I love working with words and language, and that's fortunately the brunt of my job. In general, the biggest challenge in any career is having to work with people who have

different motivations, and especially in a managerial position, one has to really learn to navigate co-workers to get the best out of them. More specifically, though, one of the most difficult things for me is doing research under the pressure of a looming deadline.

Tell us about your family.

I've got a huge family – I have eight brothers and one sister. My father is an architect and artist, and my mother is a Quran teacher. We had all types in our house growing up – the artist, the jock, the nerd, the hopeless romantic, the traveller, the writer, the athlete, the filmmaker, the comic relief – you name it. Our house was also constantly occupied by countless relatives and friends, so it was always loud and crowded.

Any funny stories or interesting experience that happened while you've been in Malaysia?

I get "Dr Doolittle" moments a lot here in KL, when I'd be in the same area as someone speaking Arabic or Tagalog, and because most people can't really tell where I'm from, they think I don't understand them, but I do! I've overheard some private arguments in elevators, for instance, or people just talking about me, like when I'm standing in line at the grocery shop or restaurant. It gets funny, and I always want to turn around and start speaking to them back in the same language, but I almost never do.

Have you tried any of the local food in Malaysia? Do you have any favourites?

I absolutely love Malay food. It's so similar to Maranao food, which is festive fare my mother used to make back in Jeddah. I like the sweet-spicy mix of rendang and rice, my favourite dish. I always go for Malay food when I have the chance.

Any favourite holiday destinations in Malaysia so far?

I still feel like I'm on holiday, but I suppose that's how most expats feel. I appreciate KL as a holiday destination because I'm a city rat, and from here, I have easy access to everywhere else – the beach, the outdoors, the concrete jungle – should I feel the need for a change of scenery. Right here is my favourite holiday destination.

What is your current project and what are your plans for the future?

I'm currently doing a project called "100 Days of Malaysia". I've been here three years now, but I recently realised that I spent most of my first 600 or so days just trying to adjust and be a "normal" person outside my comfort zone of Jeddah that I missed out on so many things. So I'd take a picture everyday and tell the story of what it's like to live a different life, the things about Malaysian culture that I learn, and the people I meet and interact with on a regular basis.

What is your advice to those who would love to pursue your career line or take the plunge into the unknown?

Aside from just going ahead without overthinking it, the best thing I did when I "took the plunge" was to regroup and reflect on it all, and then keep the good things with me and shelve the bad. We should never stop learning, from ourselves and from everyone around us.

What fuels you and what makes you happy?

Stories. I find that the secret behind any good thing, whether it's an experience, a relationship, a career, a product or pretty much anything, is a good narrative. Hearing great stories makes me happy.



BEAUTY WITH A CONSCIENCE

BY JACQUELINE BENITA PAUL

DEBORAH HENRY LAUNCHES FUNDRAISER FOR SYRIAN REFUGEES



Deborah Henry launches her fundraiser for World Vision's work with Syrian refugees in conjunction with World Refugee Day

Anyone who has ever seen the news lately would be aware of the deteriorating condition in Syria. The war that has been on-going for the past 6 years has made 4.8 million Syrians flee their homes while 6.6 million have been internally displaced. In conjunction with World Refugee Day, Miss Malaysia Universe and social activist Deborah Henry launched a personal fundraiser to provide support to Syrian refugees. As someone who is an advocate for World Vision Malaysia Child Rights, Deborah Henry has always placed priority in being the constant voice on the plight of refugees, especially children. This initiative displays her dedication in ensuring their voices are heard and struggles acknowledged.

During the launch she mentioned, "There are 60 million refugees all over the world now. These children and families have lost their homes and lives as they knew it, many through no fault of their own". She went on to say, "They once led lives like us, had jobs and businesses and families to return to each day. These have all been taken away and are but distant memories."

Humanitarian Deborah Henry visited Lebanon back in 2013 and will be returning on July 12 this year to hand over the donations to the refugees. She hopes to accumulate RM 50,000 in order to provide extensive support to the Syrian children and families in Bekaa Valley, Lebanon. Tented communities there currently house more than 300,000 refugees, according to the United Nations.

World Vision Malaysia Chief Operating Officer Ruby Chak said the Syrian crisis, which is in its sixth year, is showing no signs of slowing down. "For Syrian children and families, a secured future is nowhere in sight. We thank Deborah for her passion in championing this meaningful humanitarian cause. Our hope is that more Malaysians will understand the multi-faceted struggles faced by refugees and, in understanding, help to alleviate their plight," she said.

World Refugee Day is observed on June 20 every year in solidarity with the millions of refugees who have fled their countries in search of a safer future for their children and families.

To find out more about Henry's fundraiser and to donate, go to bit.ly/WVM-Deborah4Syria. For more information on World Vision's work with refugees, visit www.worldvision.com.my/syria-crisis or call 03-7880 6414.

PRESENTING THE CONQUEROR AND THE SEDUCER

BY JACQUELINE BENITA PAUL

KIA MALAYSIA LAUNCHES THE ALL NEW KIA SORENTO AND ALL NEW KIA SPORTAGE



(from left to right) Mr Nazman Yusof, Head of Company, Naza Kia Malaysia Sdn Bhd, Mr SM Nasarudin SM Nasimuddin, Joint Group Executive Chairman of the Naza Group of Companies, Mr Steve Lee, President of Regional Headquarters of Asia, Kia Motors Corporation, Datuk Wira Haji SM Faisal Tan Sri SM Nasimuddin, Joint Group Executive Chairman of the Naza Group of Companies and Datuk Samson Anand George, Group Chief Operating Officer, Automotive Group, Naza Corporation Holdings Sdn Bhd during the unveiling of the All-New Sorento and the All-New Sportage.

After a long hiatus, Kia is back to surprise us with their all new Kia Sorento and Kia Sportage. Naza Kia Malaysia, the official distributor of KIA vehicles in Malaysia, has launched the highly sought-after All-New Kia Sorento and All-New Kia Sportage. "The SUV segment of Malaysia's market has been on an upswing since 2012. In just three years, the SUV segment has grown by 88.9%, with almost 59,000 units and an 8.8% market share. In 2016, we expect our sales volume to expand by double-digits and the all-new Sorento and all-new Sportage will both play an integral part in achieving this target," said Datuk Samson Anand George, group chief operating officer (automotive group) of Naza Corporation Holdings.

"Leading the way in terms of their refinement, innovation, distinctive design and high material quality, these SUVs will help Kia reinforce its position among the market leaders in their respective segments," he added.

Ever since its international introduction, it has been recognised for its excellence worldwide by automotive juries, the all-new Sorento takes centre stage with a full mantle of awards such as outstanding product design at the Red Dot Awards, prestigious design award at the iF Design Awards, highest ranked midsize SUV in initial quality by JD Power, Best Family SUV at the Drive Car Of The Year Awards, Best Family SUV at Australia's Best Cars Awards, Car of the Year at the CarsGuide Car of the Year Awards and International SUV of the Year at Road & Travel Magazine's International Car of the Year (ICOTY) Awards as well as several other accolades. Delivering a premium look and feel, the all-new Sorento effortlessly blends style, practicality and technology.

The evolutionary styling changes subtly alter the character of the all-new Sorento, highlighting its sleek and dynamic bodyline profile, thus delivering a sophisticated continental appearance and ensuring it has a bolder on-the-road presence. The new Sorento comes in a substantial size, that has measured a whopping 95 mm longer (4,780 mm), 5 mm wider (1,890 mm) and 15 mm lower (1,685 mm) than before, with a wheelbase some 80 mm longer (2,780 mm). It's considerably larger than rivals like the five-seat Honda CR-V and Mazda CX-5, seven-seat Nissan X-Trail and Mitsubishi Outlander, and even the seven-seat Hyundai Santa Fe. The face of the all-new Sorento incorporates projector headlamps with LED daytime running lights as well as a huge "tiger-nose" grille,

with a distinctive three-dimensional cubic mesh pattern - bid the honey comb farewell. For the petrol premium variant, 19-inch chrome rims complete its muscular stance, available for the first time in a Kia.

The styling of the all-new Sorento's cabin follows a 'modern and wide' theme, providing the interior with a stable, horizontal layout and appearance. The petrol variant is powered by a Theta II 2.4 MPI engine with Dual Continuously Variable Valve Timing (CVT) which produces 171 PS and 222.6 Nm of torque and is mated to a six-speed automatic transmission. The colours available range from Clear White, Aurora Black Pearl and Silky Silver - all with a unique appeal to suit your lifestyle. The all-new Sorento 2.2L CRDI is priced at RM155,888. The 2.4L MS is priced at RM165,888 while the 2.4L HS is priced at RM175,888. All variants come with five-year unlimited mileage warranty. Terms and conditions apply.

Meanwhile, the all-new Sportage offers breathtakingly distinct design, an attractive interior, cutting-edge technology and advanced features. Designed and engineered to appeal to those looking for a sportier driving experience from their Sportage, the GT Line specification delivers all the versatility of the Sportage while adding greater visual and dynamic appeal to those customers that desire it.

The all-new Sportage features a bold new look that exudes a sense of sporty and powerful energy from every angle. Echoing the contrast of smooth and sharp shapes found on some of the most iconic modern fighter jets, the All-New Sportage creates visual harmony out of the tension between sharp, defined feature lines and smooth surfacing. The all-new Sportage boasts a sleek interior that beautifully mixes innovation, comfort and world-class design infused with premium materials. The result is an interior that majors on refinement and modern sophistication with greater soundproofing measures adopted to reduce significantly the intrusion of exterior noise.

Its top-of-the-line essential safety features provide a comfortable environment for occupants while emphasising optimal convenience. The all-new Sportage was also a proud winner at the 2016 'Red Dot Awards' for Product Design and Insurance Institute for Highway Safety's top award for Top Safety Pick+ in 2016. Available in Mercury Blue, Fiery Red, Snow White Pearl and Mineral Silver, the all-new Sportage 2.0L KX is priced at RM121,888 while the 2.0L GT is priced at RM141,888. Both variants come with five years warranty with unlimited mileage. Terms and conditions apply.

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BY VANESSA R. SINGH



Living in a serviced residence and be part of a community is what SAKL offers. With 205 residences comprising a range of studio, one-, two- and three-bedroom layouts, SAKL has warm stylish homes with recreational facilities and impeccable hospitality, making it ideal for business clients and their families seeking a work - and - life balance.

Located in the prestigious Embassy Row, SAKL also offers unrivalled views of the

Kuala Lumpur City Centre (KLCC) for both business and leisure travellers. The impeccable hospitality here is provided all in the name of the residents.

As a serviced residence, the aim is to make it more homely instead of feeling like staying in a hotel. So what stands out and compares them to a hotel? The room sizes here are much bigger in comparison to hotel rooms, and the kitchenette is their biggest distinction. The reason for this is a kitchenette allows

the residents to spend time cooking with their loved ones and eating together at the dining table. Both cannot be done in a hotel room and doing that makes them feel at home.

On top of that, when they stay at the residence on a long-term basis, they get to know the management team and the front office staff by name. It makes a difference because the community is built not only amongst the residents but also the management and staff, to the extent



Premier Room



FEATURES

Swimming pool

that the staff would greet each and every long-term resident by name, and are able to have conversations with them, which makes residents really feel at home.

The apartments are all equipped with a king-sized bed, broadband internet access, WiFi, air-conditioning, a fully-equipped kitchenette, home entertainment system with CD/DVD player with iPod docking and LCD television with satellite and cable channels. SAKL is also the only property within Ascott that provides a washer-dryer in every unit for the convenience of the guests.

A studio apartment is the smallest room size offered here at SAKL. It is very similar to a hotel room but has a little touch of luxury due to the kitchenette. If a guest requires a short stay or is alone and does not need a big unit, the studio is ideal for them.

Every unit's bathroom comes with a breathtaking view of the city from the bath tub's window. Guests tend to worry that the surrounding others may see their bath tub but the advantage at Somerset is that there aren't any high-rise buildings around it.

Another notable facility at SAKL is the infinity pool on the rooftop that offers panoramic views of the city. Those who would like to catch the sunrise or sunset, should head over to the children's pool at specific times. There is a gym for all residents and is usually a good spot to destress after a hard day's work as they are able to look down at the city being stuck in traffic while they're running on the treadmill.

Complimentary continental breakfast is served daily for all guests and residents at SouledOut Ampang. Typically in SAKL's business model, they do not run any F&B outlet like hotels do, so they usually tie up



Premier Living Room

with restaurants within the vicinity. In this case, it's SouledOut Ampang.

SAKL recently initiated a range of lifestyle-based recommendations on every floor, personally curated with usual services that a long-stay guest would usually ask for. Examples of recommendations are places to alter their clothes, where to get a haircut, and things that are more suited to an individual's lifestyle.

In comparison to hotel club lounges, Somerset's residence lounge is open to all residents, free of charge, and is perfect for a quick and simple catch-up session with friends instead of taking them to their apartments. Many of the residents are corporate clients and therefore the management decided to change the opening hours of the gym and the club lounge to 24 hours to make it easily accessible at their own convenience.

The security of the residents are of Somerset's utmost priority thus lifts are only accessible with room-key cards. Shuttle

services are also offered to residents from morning through the evening to help them get to a location. The team here is all very attentive and always ready to help if anything urgent arises.

Roy Liang, resident manager of SAKL, who has been with the establishment for two years, said: "One of the key things here is that we organise activities for our residents because unlike hotels, 70 percent of the guests here stay for more than a month and in some cases, years. Because of this, we want to create a community bond amongst the guests and our staff. We organise activities every quarterly, including residence events here at the property and some outings as well."

Moving to a new city with your family can be stressful and life changing, but the residence's warm and caring staff can be relied upon to help you and your family settle in quickly. Indulge in an executive lifestyle while discovering your second home at Somerset Ampang, Kuala Lumpur.



DORSETT SINGAPORE HOTEL

In the Centre of Everything

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BY JACQUELINE BENITA PAUL

Singapore is a destination for anyone who loves a little bit of everything. No doubt there are numerous hotels but a stay at Dorsett Hotel embodies everything you love about Singapore, from convenience to hospitality. We came over to experience a staycation with style and comfort. However, we

got more than we bargained for. Arriving at Dorsett Hotel is a simple task as it already has a reputation for grandeur and a centralised location. So you just simply need to say New Bridge Road, Dorsett Hotel and you're set to go.

Arriving at a late hour, we were impressed with the gorgeous interior that could be

seen from outside. A faux glamour feel with chandeliers, opulent furniture and slightly quirky décor of the cupid. We were greeted with warm smiles and a smooth processing of check-in. The front desk staff were friendly and very accommodating to our enquiries. As we headed to our room, we noticed some quirky decors that certainly bring on some

level of playfulness. So while it may seem luxurious which may make you feel a little strict on your demeanour, fundamentally this is a place of comfort and celebration of variety. At one point, we realised the long journey had certainly built up our appetites. For this we contacted the 24-hour concierge that provided us with a list of food deliveries that were available at that time. Now that is first class service.

The Room

We stayed in the Splash Room which is one of the biggest rooms in the hotel. All things considered, the room space is used efficiently and it looks as upscale as you would expect from a 4-star hotel. Doing what many guests do, we jumped on to the bed only to fall in love with it. We experienced absolute comfort with the Posturepedic mattress, so we woke up feeling rejuvenated and rested. An understated luxury you'd appreciate after a long week. There are other rooms as well such as the Dorsett Room, Deluxe Room, Balcony Room, Splash Room and Loft Room. Each uniquely different to suit your needs.

After having an incredible night's rest, we started our morning with a single intention - to go swimming. Dorsett Singapore Hotel has a 30-metre swimming pool with a jacuzzi feature and an infinity 'wading pool' for all the guests to enjoy. There is also a 24-hour gym close by with top-of-the-line equipments.

"Handy", your portable concierge and more

As tourists, one of the major concerns of travelling is connectivity. Citizens of the digital age need more than just WiFi in selected places. Thus, we were introduced to "Handy", our portable concierge. With the portable hotspot, we could WhatsApp, explore browsers and scroll through to see nearby happenings and merchants with reviews from previous users. You can use the phone to make unlimited local calls, SMS and 3G data during your stay. That's not all, you can even make international calls that are also free of charge with unlimited IDD calls to fixed lines and mobile phones to China, Hong Kong, Malaysia, UK and the USA. You can be your own tour guide without having to do hours of research to plan out your trip because it comes with a Singapore



King Room

city guide and exclusive discounts. An amazing value added-feature for a hassle-free experience.

Location

We barely needed to spend more than 5 minutes to plan our route to go to Singapore's attractions. Chinatown was a mere 5-minute walk from the hotel where we were absolutely enchanted with the concentrated level of culture and hospitality. Prices for souvenirs and food are also very affordable. We even made our way to Marina Bay Sands with a one-minute walk to Outram Park MRT. The trip did not exceed 10 minutes. Close by are many nightlife options to make your stay in the island republic more exciting.

Papasan

Of course, a hotel experience isn't complete without an excellent dining experience. So we were directed to an all-day dining restaurant, Papasan. Industrial lamps that hung from the ceiling are beautiful decorations that compliment the natural lighting. The décor maintaining a luxurious appeal without discounting comfort with light coloured cushions on the sofas. It has an upscale yet welcoming ambience. The menu features western and fusion dishes. Though it is famously



Papasan

known for its Asian delights, we decided to sample their western choices as it appealed to us at that point in time. The service here is an experience that would most likely spoil us in any future dining experience. We would have regretted missing out on this dining experience.



Virgin and Throne

Fit for Kings and Queens

BY JACQUELINE BENITA PAUL

If you a medieval drama aficionado that binge watches Game of Thrones, Merlin, or even A Knight's Tale and the likes of it, this speakeasy joint should be on your list. It is part of the growing pack of hidden bars in the TTDI area. Don't be alarmed if you can't locate it as soon as your Waze says so since there's no signboard, though we do recommend to look for a shiny shield plastered on a door along Jalan Datuk Sulaiman. Just don't stray too far from Food Foundry because that is the closest landmark. Once you've found it, head upstairs and you'll be greeted by a knight in shining armour.



As we walked into Virgin & Throne, we found that it was separated into two sections, the bar and the back area. The lighting certainly set a romantic ambience that makes this a great spot to go on dates or simply to enjoy trying something different. The bar area is a combination of both the medieval and the modern, with throne-like stools and chic couches. There is a helm on the bar that will surely excite your medieval fantasies. We then made our way through thick curtains to the back room. It is used as a partition for the areas if you need some privacy. Turns out, the back is the VIP area, complete with snug Chesterfield sofas and a long table for big groups.

Virgin and Throne is not only known for its unique ambience but also its impressive variety of cocktails and food. Just like how medieval movies depict bartenders, Virgin and Throne's cool and confident bartender and hosts see right through you and know exactly the kind of remedy you need. For me, I was recommended the Marshmallow Milkshake, which has cream, vanilla and a vodka-infused marshmallow – tasted just like a vanilla milkshake. Generous amounts of marshmallows and vodka certainly make this the ideal drink to have after a long week. It was not as sweet as I'd assume it would be. If

you have a small appetite - since their food menu is something you simply must try during your visit and the milkshake might be too filling, I recommend their two namesake cocktails, Virgin and Throne. Virgin is a sweeter choice with fresh berries and is vodka-based, while Throne, is a gin-based cocktail with fresh fruit juice. Both were delicious, though my friend took her time to drink Throne since it had a glow-in-the-dark feature that brought on a modern yet magical feel to the whole experience. Now, what is medieval without great food to accompany creative libations? The Virgin Nachos is an excellent savoury option that comes with a side of guacamole, tomato salsa and sour cream. They are in the midst of making some changes to their food menu and adding more main courses, so you should head over to check that out. Ladies, your knight in shining armour awaits. Gents, drink and be merry.

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Pavilion KL

168, Jalan Bukit Bintang • B Bintang
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Jalan Maarof, Bangsar
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1001 Jalan Sultan Ismail • M Tuanku
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Located at the junction of Jalan Tuanku Abdul Rahman and Jalan Sultan Ismail, the five-storey mall has 101 outlets with Giant, Wh by British India, FOS, Nichii Fashion City being the anchor tenants. The mall provides concierge service and has an indoor archery centre, Big-Shot Archery. • 10am - 10pm daily.

Bukit Bintang Plaza

111 Jalan Bukit Bintang • B Bintang
Tel : 03-2148 7411
Extending into Sungei Wang Plaza, BB Plaza offers an interesting variety of stores selling jewellery, fashion wear, books, AV equipment, etc. Metrojaya department store is the anchor tenant. • 10am - 10pm daily. • F8

Pertama Complex

Jalan Tuanku Abdul Rahman
• M Tuanku
• Bandaraya • Bank Negara
Tel : 03-2691 6599
One of the earliest shopping complexes in KL, this mall consists of many small shops selling an astonishing variety of goods and services appealing to the masses, including sports goods, leatherware, clothes, shoes and stationery. • 9am - 9pm daily. • D5

Sogo KL

Jalan Tuanku Abdul Rahman
• M Tuanku
• Bandaraya • Bank Negara
Tel : 03-2698 2111
This 10-storey shopping mall is well patronised for its quality goods (local and international) ranging from apparel, home furnishing to daily need items. It also has an international restaurant floor on the 6th floor • 11am-9pm daily • D5

Starhill Gallery

181 Jln Bkt Bintang • B Bintang
Tel : 03-2782 3800
Connected to JW Marriott Hotel and Ritz Carlton Hotel, Starhill houses the largest retail watch floor and a host of top fashion designer boutiques. An exclusive mall with excellent eateries and high-end shops. • 10am - 10pm daily • E9

Sungei Wang Plaza

Jalan Sultan Ismail • B Bintang
Tel : 03-2117 0288
Sungei Wang remains one of the busiest shopping centres for the last 2 decades. Linked directly to the Monorail, it has over 500 retail outlets and eateries. A great place to hunt for electrical and electronic products, mobile phones, fashionable street wear, shoes & accessories. The hip T-Hop zone at the 6th floor caters to trendy teenagers • 10am - 10pm daily • F8

Subang Parade

Subang Jaya • Subang
Tel : 03-5633 2530
This suburban mall offers an interesting mix of stores with goods ranging from apparels to antiques, and music to jewellery. Anchor tenants include Toy 'R' Us and Parkson. Carrefour hypermarket is located next door. • 10am - 10pm daily.

Great Eastern Mall

303 Jalan Ampang
Tel : 03-4259 8090
Located along busy Jalan Ampang, this 6-storey mall has a host of shops including a pet shop, Aussino, British India and eateries like Starbucks and Alexis. It has Cold Storage as its anchor supermarket. • 11am - 9pm daily.

IPC Shopping Centre (Formerly Ikano)

2, Jalan PJU 7/2, Damansara Mutiara, PJ
Tel : 03-2141 0500
Located near 1 Utama and linked to IKEA, this centre only has XXL size stores. The 11 anchor tenants includes Harvey



Hartamas Shopping Centre

Plaza Damas, 60 Jalan Sri Hartamas 1
Tel: 03-6211 0611

Integrated with Plaza Damas & situated among retail shops, offices, serviced apartments and alfresco boulevards. Features Citi Super, SenQ and many other speciality retailers.

Lot 10

50 Jalan Sultan Ismail • B Bintang
Tel: 03-2143 6092

Linked to the Bukit Bintang Monorail station and Sungei Wang Plaza by an overhead bridge, Lot 10 offers an upmarket and wide selection of fashion wear. It has Isetan as anchor tenant • 10am - 9.30pm daily • F8

Low Yat Plaza

Off Jalan Bukit Bintang • B Bintang
Tel: 03-2148 3651

Located next to the Federal Hotel, it has 250 tenants offering goods as varied as cameras, mobile phones, apparel, fashion accessories and antiques. This largest IT centre provides for all your computing needs. BB Park, located across the plaza and consisting of trendy restaurants and alfresco cafes, sees a hive of activities at night. • 10am - 10pm daily • F8

MINES Shopping Fair

Seri Kembangan • Serdang
Tel: 03-8949 6288

Cruise into the heart of a busy shopping mall with a vibrant mix of more than 300 retailers, fashion boutiques, F&B outlets, canal quay alfresco dining, IT & mobile gadgets and also leisure and entertainment facilities like a cinema, bowling alley and snooker centre. • 10am - 10pm daily.

Mid Valley Megamall

Lingkaran Syed Putra • Mid Valley
Tel: 03-2938 3333

The shops go on and on in this mall strategically located between KL and P.J. It has Metrojaya, Jusco, Carrefour, Golden Screen Cinemas and MPH as anchor tenants, over 300 specialty stores and 70 F&B outlets under one roof. Adjacent to the mall are Clifitel Mid Valley Hotel and Boulevard Hotel • 10am - 10pm daily.

The Gardens

Mid Valley City • Mid Valley
Tel: 03-2297 0288

10am - 10pm daily

Sunway Putra Mall

(Formerly The Mall)
100 Jalan Putra, KL • PWTC

Tel: 03-2786 9333

Located across the Seri Pacific Hotel and Putra World Trade Centre, the Mall has anchor tenant Parkson Grand together with a host of retailers, offering a full range of products, services, food & amusement to shoppers • 10am - 10pm daily • B5

DINE



The Library by The Ritz Carlton

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03-2717 9988 • M Tuanku •
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03-2162 2233 • B Nanas • East Wing,
Renaissance Hotel
• Non-Halal • Casual Dining • D7

Dynasty Dragon

03-2145 1628 • B Bintang • Time Square
• Non-Halal • Casual Dining • F8

Hakka

03-21431907 • Raja Chulan 6 Jalan Kia
Peng • Non-Halal • Casual Dining • E9

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03-2145 4822 • Imbi • Jalan Barat, off
Jalan Imbi • Non-Halal • Casual Dining
• F8

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03-8946 2333 • Palace of the Golden
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Fine Dining • Cantonese cuisine

Lai Po Heen

03-2179 8885 • KLCC • Mandarin
Oriental Hotel • Halal • Casual Dining •
Cantonese • D8

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Rahman • Non-Halal • Casual Dining •
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Dining • F9

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03-2691 8822 • M Tuanku S Ismail • Level
5, Maju Junction Mall • Halal • Casual
Dining • C5

Mandarin Palace

03-2148 9166 • B Bintang • 2/F, Federal
Hotel • Non-Halal • Casual Dining • F8

Marco Polo

03-2141 2233 • Raja Chulan • 1/F, Wisma
Lim Foo Yong, Jalan Raja Chulan • Non-
Halal • Casual Dining • E8

Meisan

03-2693 9233 • Bandaraya • Quality
Hotel City Centre • Jalan Raja Laut
• Halal • Casual Dining • Szechuan
cuisine

Ming Palace

03-2161 8888 • Ampang Park • Corus
Hotel, Jln Ampang • Casual Dining

Ming Room

03-2284 8822 • Bangsar • Bangsar
Shopping Centre • Non-Halal •
Casual Dining

Oriental Noble House

03-2145 8822 • Imbi • 19 Jalan Delima,
Off Jalan Imbi • Non-Halal • Casual
Dining • F10

Overseas

03-2144 9911 • B Bintang • 84-88
Jalan Imbi • Non-Halal • Casual
Dining • F8

Purple Cane

03-2272 3090 • Maharajalela •
Selangor Chinese Assembly Hall, 1 Jln
Maharajalela • Halal • Casual Dining
• G6

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03-2144 2200 • B Nanas • Concorde
Hotel • Non-Halal • Private Dining
• D7

French

Café Café

03-2141 8141 • Maharajalela • 175
Jalan Maharajalela • Halal • Fine
Dining • Fr & Italian • H7

Fusion

Cilantro

03-2179 8082 • MiCasa All Suite Hotel,
368B Jalan Tun Razak • Pork-Free • Halal
• Fine Dining • D10

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03-2161 7777 • R Chulan • Hotel
Equatorial • Halal • Casual Dining • E8

Frangipani

03-2144 3001 • B Bintang • 25,
Changkat Bkt Bintang • Halal • Fine
Dining

Isthmus

03-2282 8112 • Mid Valley • G/F,
Northpoint, Mid Valley City • Thai &
Nyonya • Pork-Free • Casual Dining • F8

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03-2719 8535 • B Bintang • Lower G/F,
Starhill Gallery • Halal • Fine Dining • E9

Indian

Estana Curry House

03-2141 1958 • Raja Chulan • 23D, Jln
Sultan Ismail • Halal • Casual Dining
• C6

Khaana Peena

03-6201 3355 • E-01-04, Plaza Mont Kiara
• North Indian • Halal • Casual Dining

Passage Thru' India

03-2145 0366 • 4, Jln Delima,kl
Halal • Casual Dining • E10

Spice Garden Imperial

03-2142 2220 • B. Bintang • 205 Jln Bkt
Bintang.

Indonesia

House of Sundanese

Sari Ratu
03-2166 2272 • 4th Floor KLCC

International

Essence

03-2717 9900 • M Tuanku • Sheraton
Imperial • Halal • Casual Dining • C6

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03-2162 2233 • B Nanas
Renaissance Hotel • Halal
Casual Dining

PNB Darby Cafe

03-7490 3838 • Ampang Park • G/F,
PNB Darby Park, Executive Suites, 10
Jalan Binjai • Halal • Casual Dining
• D9

Italian

Cellini's

03-2715 1000 • B Bintang • Dorsett
Regency Hotel • 172 Jalan Imbi • Halal •
Casual Dining • F9

il Tempio

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Restaurant • Halal • Fine Dining

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03-4252 6269 • 26, Persiaran Ampang
• Halal • Casual Dining

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Hotel • Halal • Fine Dining • E9

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Imperial Hotel • Halal • Italian • Fine
Dining • C6

Japanese

Benkay

03-2782 6118 • Ampang Park • Hotel
Nikko • Halal • Casual Dining • C9

Gen

03-4042 9888 • PWTC • Sunway Putra
Hotel • Halal • Casual Dining • B5

Genki Sushi

03-2166 6220 • KLCC • 428 Level 4, Suria
KLCC • Halal • Casual Dining

Iketeru

03-2264 2264 • Stesen Sentral KL
• Hilton Kuala Lumpur, 3 Jln Stesen Sentral

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03-2148 9608 • Raja Chulan • Pavilion KL

Kokufu

03-4049 4412 • PWTC • Pan Pacific Kuala
Lumpur • Halal • Fine Dining

Komura

03-2161 8888 • Ampang Park Corus Hotel
• Casual Dining • C9

Ozeki Tokyo Cuisine

03-2166 4263 • B Nanas • Menara TA One
• Halal • Fine Dining • D8

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03-2162 2233 • B Nanas • Renaissance
Hotel • Halal • Casual Dining

Korean

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03-2141 2100 • B Bintang
• Pavilion KL • Halal • Fine Dining •
Korean • E8

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03-4251 0492 • 314 Jalan Ampang
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Darby Park • Halal • D9

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03-2143 2189 • Bukit Bintang • Starhill
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www.seriopacifichotel.com

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www.kualalumpur.grand.hyatt.com

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www.millenniumhotel.com

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03-7955 9122 • 2 Jalan Barat, PJ • Asia
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03-2161 8888 • Jalan Ampang • ̳ Ampang Park • Ming Palace (Chi), Dondang Sayang (Int'l), Komura (Jap) • From RM185-RM390 • C9 • www.corushotelkl.com

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03-4042 8000 • 9 Jalan Lumut, off Jalan Ipoh, Kuala Lumpur • ̳ Titiwangsa • Vistana (Asian) • From RM172-RM230 • A5 • www.vistanahotels.com

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03-2141 2000 • 45 Tingkat Tong Shin • ̳ B Bintang • Tee Box Café • From RM150-RM380 • F7 • www.alphageneshotel.com

Cititel Mid Valley

03-2296 1188 • Mid Valley, Lingkaran Syed Putra • ̳ Mid Valley • Citi Café • Rates from RM205Nett - RM320Nett

Corona Inn

03-2144 3888 • 22, Jalan Tong Shin • ̳ B Bintang • Corona Café • From RM130-RM180 • F8 • www.coronainn-kuala-lumpur.com

Grand Continental

03-2693 9333 • Jln Bella/Jln Raja Laut • ̳ PWTC M Tuanku • Grand Star (Chi), Lai Marble Coffeehouse • From RM135-RM800 • C5 • www.gh-hotels.com.my

First World Hotel

03-6101 1118 • Genting Highlands • Istorante Torcello's (Italian), Lakeview Seafood Restaurant (Seafood), The Patio (Wn) • From RM85 - RM460

Hotel Malaya

03-2072 7722 • 162, Jalan Hang Lekir • ̳ Pasar Seni • Malaya Café • From RM120-RM250 • F5 • www.hotelmalaya.com.my

Midah KL

03-2273 9999 • 8, Jalan Kampung Attap • ̳ Maharajalela • Attapia Coffee House (Int'l), Rolling Good Times Café • From RM145-RM250 • G5

Prescott Inn

03-2713 7887 • 23 Lrg Medan Tuanku 1, off Jln Sultan Ismail • ̳ M Tuanku • Makana Restaurant • From RM110-RM170 • C5

Swiss-Inn KL

03-2072 3333 • 62, Jln Sultan • 📍
 Maharajalela
 • Café Petaling • From RM130-RM175
 • G6

The Plaza Hotel

03-2698 2255 • Jalan Raja Laut • 📍 Sultan
 Ismail • Pago-Pago Café (Continental),
 Plaza Court (Chi) • From RM110-RM178
 • C5

SIGHTSEEING

Aquaria KLCC

03-2333 1888 • 📍 Raja Chulan 📍 KLCC •
 All 60,000 sq ft of Aquaria encompasses
 Evolution, Jewels of the Jungle, Deep
 Forest, The Coasts and Touch Pool, The
 Living Oceans and The Living Reef, with
 over 5000 aquatic and land-bound animals
 representing over 150 different species.
 Don't miss the 90-metre underwater tunnel.
 Opens daily from 11am-8pm. (Including
 weekends, school and public holidays) Last
 admission at 7pm. Entry RM38 (adult), RM26
 (children) • D8

Batu Caves

03-6189 6284 • This popular Hindu
 temple draws hundreds of thousand
 of visitors during Thaipusam. It
 consists of three grand caves: the
 Dark Cave, the Museum Cave and
 the Temple Cave with brilliant rock
 formations. The Museum Cave at
 the foothills has interesting display
 of Indian mythology. To reach the
 main Temple Cave, one has to climb
 272 steps.

Bird Park

03-2272 1010 • Located at the Lake
 Gardens, this 8.4ha bird park is the
 world's largest free-flight walk-in
 aviary. It is home to more than
 3,000 birds from approximately 200
 species. Opens daily from 9am-
 6.00pm • F4

Butterfly Park

03-2693 4799 • Over 120 species
 of butterflies can be found in this
 park located at the Lake Gardens'
 vicinity. Admission is RM9 for adults
 and RM2 for children. Camera: RM3.
 Opens 9am to 6pm daily. • F4

Bukit Nanas Forest Recreational Park

03-2306 3421 / 2064 4741 • 📍 Bukit Nanas
 • Nestled in the heart of KL, the virgin
 forest-clad hill is a 10.5 ha park offering a
 10-minute & a 20-minute walk trails from
 the Forest Information Centre at Jalan
 Raja Chulan to KL Tower. • E7

Central Market

03-2274 6542 • 📍 Pasar Seni Once the
 city's biggest wet market, it is now a
 centre for food and cultural activities.
 Cultural performances are staged during
 weekends at the riverside amphitheatre.
 Handicraft, souvenirs, art & portrait
 paintings are sold at bargain prices. The
 Annexe Gallery at CM is a progressive
 art centre. • Opens 10am to 10pm daily.
 • F5

Deer Park

03-2693 6661 • Enclosed within a 2-ha
 ground at the Lake Gardens, the deer,
 fawns and does roam freely in a cool
 and peaceful habitat with lush trees and
 shrubs and ponds. • F3

Istana Negara

Official residence of Malaysia's King,
 visitors can witness the changing
 of the royal guards daily. The Rulers
 Conference, various royal and national
 ceremonies, investitures and official
 banquets are held at this palace. • H5

Little India

📍 Masjid Jamek • Jalan Masjid India
 is a colourful street with numerous
 wholesale and retail Indian traders
 who sell everything from Indian brass,
 jewellery, sarees, Indian handicrafts to
 perfumes & spices. • E5

Jamek Mosque

📍 Masjid Jamek • Jalan Tun Perak
 • Situated at the confluence of the
 Klang and Gombak rivers, this grand old
 mosque was designed by British architect
 AB Hubbock in 1909. It incorporates
 many features of Moghul architecture
 • a • Opens 8am-1:30pm & 2:30pm-6pm.
 • E5

**Craft Complex**

03-2164 8344
 📍 Raja Chulan • 63, Jalan Conlay. •
 Showcases ethnic handicrafts, batik
 printing and pottery from the 13 states
 of Malaysia. • Opens 9am- 6pm daily.
 • E9 FREE

**Telekom Museum**

03-2031 9966
 📍 Raja Chulan • Jalan Raja Chulan
 • Displays interesting exhibits of
 telephones and evolution of their
 designs over the years.
 • Opens 9am-5pm. Closed on Mondays
 • E6 FREE

**Sultan Abdul Samad Building**

📍 Masjid Jamek • Jln Sultan
 Hishammuddin • Also known as the Big
 Ben of KL, this historical landmark and
 heritage building is well known for its
 Moghul architecture dating back to
 1897. Originally the offices of the Colonial
 Secretariat, it then housed the Supreme
 Court. • E5

**PETRONAS Twin Towers**

03-2615 8188
 📍 KLCC • KL City Centre • The
 88-storey Petronas Twin Towers stand at
 451.9 metres. Seated in the heart of KL
 and amidst a 50-hectare landscaped
 park, a skybridge on the 41st floor is
 open to visitors between 9am-7pm
 daily, closed on Monday • D8

Lake Gardens

Jalan Parlimen • Located near the city
 centre, this 9.2ha landscaped garden is
 built around a lake. Several attractions
 are found within the park including
 an Orchid Garden, Hibiscus Garden,
 Butterfly Park, Bird Park, Deer Park,
 National Monument and the Asean
 Sculpture Garden • F3

Malaysian Tourism Centre

03-9235 4848 • 📍 B Nanas • 109
 Jalan Ampang • This is a one-stop
 tourist service centre comprising the
 information counter (7am-10pm)
 Transnasional Executive Coach counter,
 domestic tour booking counter, money
 changer, restaurant and craft demo
 centre. Built in 1935, the building was the
 home of wealthy tin-miner and planter,
 Eu Tong Seng. Cultural shows are on Tues,
 Thur, Sat & Sun 2-2.30pm. • D7

Merdeka Square

📍 Masjid Jamek • Jalan Raja •
 Opposite the Sultan Abdul Samad
 Building, this is the site where the
 independence of Malaya was declared
 on 31 August, 1957. The 100m high
 flagpole is the tallest in the world. Live
 entertainment and cultural shows are
 staged here on festive occasions. The
 Royal Selangor Club and St. Mary's
 Cathedral are located nearby. • E5

National Science Centre

03-2092 1150 • Persiaran Bukit Kiara •
 Houses 9 galleries with different scientific
 themes. Offers interesting interactive
 displays for learning and entertainment.
 • Opens 10am-5pm. Closed on Friday.

National Mosque

03-2693 7784 • 📍 KL • Jalan Perdana
 • This mosque embodies contemporary
 designs, together with traditional Islamic
 art, calligraphy and ornamentation.
 The main dome with its 18-point star,
 represents the 13 states of Malaysia
 unified by the Five Pillars of Islam. Visitors
 must dress conservatively and remove
 their shoes before entering the mosque
 • Opens 9am to 12noon; 3pm to 4pm;
 5:30pm to 6:30pm daily. • F4

National Planetarium

03-2273 4303 • Lot 54 Jalan Perdana •
 Located close to the National Mosque,
 the attractions include space science
 and astronomy exhibits, a theatre
 screening 3-Dimensional movies, a
 viewing gallery and an observatory •
 Admission is RM1 for adults and children
 over 12 years [extra charges for all
 shows]. Opens 9:30am to 4:15pm daily.
 Closed on Monday except public &
 school holidays • G4

National Zoo

03-4108 3427 / 4108 3422 • Located in
 Hulu Kelang, 12km from the city centre,
 the zoo is home to 400 species of local
 birds, mammals, reptiles and fishes. •
 Opens 9am - 5pm daily. Night Zoo is on
 Saturdays 7.30am - 10.30pm. Admission
 RM 32 for adults and RM11 for children
 3 to 12 years old

Old KL Railway Station

Jalan Hishammudin • Built in 1910,
 the Moghul-inspired building was a
 hub for Malaysian rail transport until it
 was replaced by the new KL Sentral
 Station. It remains a landmark and the
 refurbished Heritage Hotel is still open for
 business. Across the road, the Malaysian
 Railway administrative building is also a
 breathtaking architectural showpiece
 • G5

Petrosains, The Discovery Centre

03-2331 8181 • 📍 KLCC • Petronas Twin
 Towers, Level 4 Suria KLCC • Focusing on
 Malaysia's oil and gas industry, it offers
 an interactive approach to learning.
 It takes you through a unique voyage
 of discovery of science. • Opens daily
 9.30am to 6pm. Last admission 4.30pm.
 Closed on Monday • D8

Royal Selangor Visitor's Centre

03-4145 6000 • 4, Jalan Usahawan Enam,
 Setapak Jaya • Located 15 minutes from
 the city centre, the Royal Selangor which
 is internationally known for its fine designs
 and craftsmanship, offers a complete
 visitor experience, enabling them to see,
 hear, touch and learn how pewter is
 made. • Opens daily from 9am-5pm.

Royal Selangor Club

03-2692 7166 • 📍 Masjid Jamek • Jalan
 Raja • Once nicknamed 'The Spotted
 Dog' during the colonial days, this club
 which features Mock Tudor architecture,
 is one of the oldest membership clubs
 in KL. • E5

Thean Hou Temple

03-2274 7088 • 65 Persiaran Endah, off
 Jalan Syed Putra • A beautiful blend of
 Chinese and contemporary architecture,
 this is one of the largest and most ornate
 Buddhist temples in the region and a
 venue for major religious festivals. Also
 check out the herbs garden, wishing
 well and souvenir stall • Opens 9am to
 9pm daily.

MUSEUMS

Asian Arts Museum Universiti Malaysia

03-7967 3805 • Uni. of Malaya • A unique collection of Asian art & sculptures, ceramics, including Islamic & Malay art and textiles • Opens Mon - Sat. Closed on Sunday & public hols.

Forest Research Institute Malaysia

03-62797 000 • Kepong • Located within the 1,500 hectares of natural land reserve, the institute showcases Malaysia's rich forest heritage. • Opens 8am-4pm. Fri 9am- 12pm.

Heritage Centre

03-2144 9273 • 2 Jln Stonor • Showcases Malaysia's architectural heritage, the centre also conducts 2 guided tours a day (11am & 3pm) of the Rumah Penghulu or Village Head's abode which has been furnished to reflect a house in the early thirties • E10

Islamic Arts Museum

03-2274 2020 • Jalan Lembah Perdana • Opened in 1998, the museum focuses on the rich diversity of Islamic arts and culture. Miniature replicas of Taj Mahal and other Islamic architectural wonders are on display • Tickets at RM12 (adults), RM6 (under 18, students & senior citizens) • Opens 10am to 6pm daily. • G4

Museum Orang Asli

03-6189 2122 • Km 24 Gombak • Displays a collection of over 3,000 artifacts showcasing the history, culture & lifestyle of indigenous tribes of Peninsular Malaysia. • Opens 9am-5pm. Closed Fri. FREE

National Museum

03-2267 1111 • 29 Jalan Raja • Displays a unique permanent collection of artifacts and materials showcasing the history and heritage of Malaysia • Opens 9am to 6pm daily • Admission RM1. Free for <12 yrs & students

Petronas Philharmonic Hall

03-2331 7007 • KLCC • Located within the Petronas Twin Towers, it is home to the Malaysian Philharmonic Orchestra and the National Choir. It features performances of highest quality by visiting orchestras and world-renowned soloists, besides performances by the MPO which now ranks among the top orchestras in the region • D8

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03-2718 1118 • Genting Highlands Hotel

D'Paradise

063, Jalan Solok Uban, Kampung Brisu, Lubok China, 78100 Melaka. 06-552 8010/0611 (Resort),

03-4251 8199 (KL Sales Office)
www.d-paradise.com.my

Flying

03-2141 1934 • Royal Selangor Flying Club

Horse Racing

03-9058 3888 • Selangor Turf Club, Jln Sungai Besi

Horse Riding

03-4256 4531 • Royal Selangor Polo Club, Jln Ampang Hilir

03-2094 1222 • Bukit Kiara Equestrian Club, Jln Bukit Kiara, Kuala Lumpur

Theme Parks

09-288 8890 • Colmar Tropicale, Bkt Tinggi

03-71188338 • Desa Water Park, Trm Desa

03-8942 5021 • The Mines Wonderland



Bank Negara Malaysia Museum and Art Gallery Sasana Kijang

No. 2, Jalan Dato Onn, 50480 Kuala Lumpur
Opening Hours: 10am to 6pm daily
For Enquiries Call: 03-9179 2784



University of Malaya Art Gallery (UMAG)

Tingkat 5, Bangunan Canseleri, Universiti Malaya, Petaling Jaya
Tel: 03-79671061
Opening Hours: 9.00am to 4.00pm
Closed on: Saturday and Sunday



Galeri Tenaga

Wisma TNB, Jalan Timur, Petaling Jaya
Tel : +603-2296 5566
Fax : +603-2282 3274
Opening Hours: Monday – Friday : 10 am – 3 pm.

ARTS & CULTURE

National Library

03-2687 1700 • 232 Jalan Tun Razak. • This 7-storey building which blends traditional design with modern architectural elements houses more than 1.5 million books, some of them extremely rare. • Opens daily except Monday • A8 FREE

Galeri Petronas

03-2051 7770 • KLCC • Level 3 Suria KLCC. • Exhibits artworks by local and international artists. • Opens 10am to 8pm. Closed on Monday. • D8 FREE

National Theatre (Istana Budaya)

03-4026 5555 • Jalan Tun Razak • Designed by Malaysian architect Muhammad Kamar Ya'akub, this modern theatre is one of the world's most sophisticated theatres with state-of-the-art stage equipment. It holds drama, dance and musical performances regularly. • A7

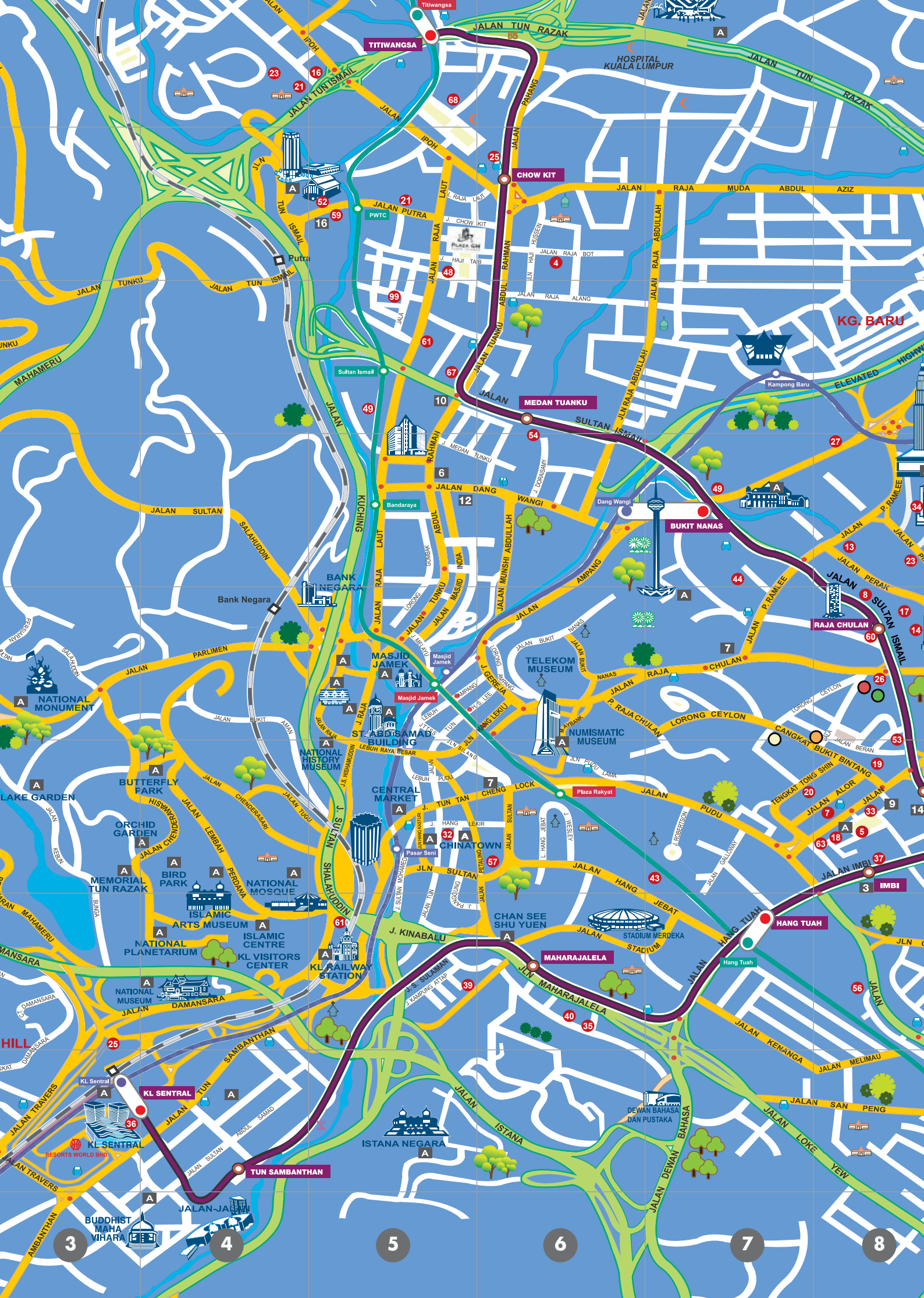


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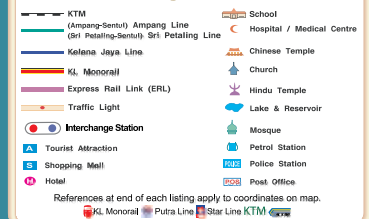


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Tel: 03-4042 7122 B5 | |

LEGEND



Getting around in Kuala Lumpur is easy. The transit systems are efficient, taxis are plenty and buses are cheap. The public transportation usage peak hours are from 7am to 9am and 4.30pm to 6.30pm during the working days.



By Transit systems

The KL monorail and LRT coaches are air-conditioned and comfortable and run from 6am to midnight. The systems are connected to each other at several points and the network covers most parts of the city. Fares range from RM0.70 to RM2.80 per single journey.



By Taxis

Taxis are easily available at hotels or at taxi stands. Fares start at RM3 for the first kilometre and RM0.10 for every 115 metres thereon. There is a 50% surcharge on the metered fare from midnight to 6am and a baggage charge of RM1 per piece stored in the boot. There is also an additional RM1 for 3rd passenger (maximum 4 in a car). For an extra charge of RM2, you can book a taxi by phone.



By Ecovans

Ecovans can accommodate up to 5 passengers. They serve mainly guests at major hotels and follow the fare structure of taxis but charge RM4 instead of RM2 for the first kilometre.



By Buses

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KLIA Ekspres: The journey takes about 30 minutes from KL Sentral and the fare is RM35 per person per way. There is also check-in facility at KL Sentral for some airlines.



Taxi: The fare from the city centre to the airport is RM60 – RM90 per taxi.



Eco Transit: Eco Transit can accommodate up to 5 adults and has a fixed fare of RM130/ trip.



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Coaches To KLIA and/or LCCT

The 1-hour journey costs between RM9 and RM25 per person.

- Airport Coach - 03-8787 3894
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- Aerobus - 017-363 3255
- The Star Shuttle - 03-4043 8811

RAIL TRANSIT NETWORK OF KUALA LUMPUR



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- **KL International Airport Sepang** 03-8776 2000
- **LCC Terminal - KLIA** 03-8777 8888
- **Domestic Airport - Subang** 03-7846 7777
- **KL CAT (City Air Terminal)** 03-2267 8000



Domestic Airlines

- **MAS** 03-7843 3000
- **MAS Reservation Number** 1 300 88 3000
- **AirAsia** 03-8775 4000
- **Berjaya Air** 03-7846 8228
- **FireFly** 03-7845 4543
- **Fly Asian Xpress (fax)** 03-8660 4343



Rail

- **KL Sentral** 03-2274 7435
- **KLIA Ekspres** 03-2267 8000
- **KTM** 03-2267 1200
- **Rapid KL** 03-7625 6999
- **KL Monorail** 03-2273 1888



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- **Apex** 03-2142 1926
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- **Radio Cab** 03-9221 7600
- **Airport Limo Meet & Greet** 03-8787 3678
- **Saujana Cab** 03-2162 8888
- **Comfort Taxi** 03-8024 2727
- **Eco Transit** 03-5512 2266
- **Supercab** 03-7805 5333
- **Outstation Taxi** 03-2078 0213

Emergency Services

- **KL Tourist Police (24 hours)** 03-2166 8322
- **Police & Ambulance** 999 or 112 (mobile phones)
- **Fire & Rescue** 994
- **KL City Council** 03-2691 6011

Tourism Offices

- **Malaysia** 1-300-88-5050
- **Tourism Centre (24-hour)** 03-2164 3929
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