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PENANG HILL CORPORATION AND PENANG ART SOCIETY UNVEIL “VIVID PENANG HILL” ART EXHIBITION AT THE PENANG STATE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY EXHIBITION HALL

Penang Hill Corporation (PHC) is collaborating with **Penang Art Society** for the "Vivid Penang Hill" art programme to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Penang Hill Railway.

Branded **Vivid Penang Hill** to denote the beauty of Penang Hill, this art programme brings together eminent Penang-based artists to encapsulate the Penang Hill's scenery, diverse flora and fauna, historical bungalows, and the iconic funicular through their artistic expressions. This collaboration is also followed by an art exhibition on **13 to 31 December 2023, from 10am to 5pm at the exhibition hall of the Penang State Legislative Assembly** to showcase the masterpieces of the artists.

As part of PHC's commitment to promoting and nurturing creative talents, the "Vivid Penang Hill" art programme serves as a platform to recognise and showcase the artistic prowess of homegrown talents.

A total of 20 renowned local masters have passionately delved into the depths of Penang Hill, exploring its enchanting views to create 52 breathtaking paintings that depict the essence of this iconic destination. The artists applied various mediums including oil, watercolour, and acrylic, adding their own unique styles and techniques to the artworks.

The participating artists are esteemed figures in the local art scene, including **Alex Leong Yim Kuan, Alice Loo Peak Yean, Anne Uh Meil Ting, Anthony Cheah Leong Chow, Apple Yong Seow Ping, Dato' Chong Hon Fatt, Elain Wong Ee Lin, Frankie Chin Swee Ching, Hwang Sock Tsu, Khoo Cheang Jin, Koay Haw Wah, Koay Shao Peng, Lee Eng Beng, Liau Sin Fah, Lim Jee Yuan, Mohd Shaparel bin Salleh, Pang Kooi Kee, Sally Lee Hoi Har, Sim Saw Im@Shen Ying and Tim Teh Ming Yang.**

The art exhibition will provide an opportunity for art enthusiasts and the general public to witness drawings that capture the beauty and essence of Penang Hill for future generations to enjoy. The strong collaboration between PHC and Penang Art Society, the oldest art society in Malaysia is also in line with the state's initiative to support and promote the growth of the creative industry in Penang.

It is also noteworthy that this collaboration which is in conjunction with the Centenary Celebration of the Penang Hill Railway (1923 - 2023) not only celebrates the artistic talents within our community but also highlights the significance of Penang Hill as an inspiring muse for artists.

On the same note, PHC has also recently collaborated with Equator College Penang to carry out a wall art painting on the wall at lower station i.e., Wall Art @ Penang Hill Lower Station, providing an opportunity for students to showcase their artistic skills, while contributing to the nature and splendour of the hill.

These collaborations are fine examples of how a government agency can work with educational institutions and societies to promote arts and culture, besides nurturing and promoting homegrown talents.

Don't miss out on the opportunity to experience the mesmerising showcase of the artists' creativity and artistic expressions, which beautifully capture the essence and allure of Penang Hill.

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About Penang Hill Corporation

Penang Hill Corporation was established in 2009 through an enactment passed by the Penang State Legislative Assembly. Its main focus is to manage the funicular system, undertake the development of socio-economy and infrastructure in Penang Hill and promote the Hill as a major ecotourism destination, in its vision to make Penang Hill the Hill Resort of Choice in Malaysia and the region.

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