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EXPERIENCE MALAYSIA IN May 2015

It's the beginning of summer in many parts of the world, but Malaysia is blessed with eternal summer all year long, perfect f all sorts of outdoor activities. We are taking advantage of the great weather to showcase beautiful orchids, lilies, and oth flowers at the flower festivals in Putrajaya and Penang.

Meanwhile, learn about our traditional cultures during the celebrations of World Harvest Festival, Sabah Fest and Tada Kaamatan. Theatre, music and kite-flying are also happening in May. Take advantage of the long Labor Day weekend in th first week of May to savor the sights and sounds of Malaysia. Happy Labor Day!

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ROYAL Floria 2015, PUTRAJAYA

The 8th Royal FLORIA Putrajaya Flower and Garden Festival, 2015 will feature the spring and winter gardens as its new ar major attraction with an exhibition of lilies totaling 150 species in specially designed gardens and exhibits. It was former known as Putrajaya Flower and Garden Festival (Floria) before it received the royal status last year, becoming Royal Flor Putrajaya. Come join us and don't miss out on one of the biggest flower festivals in Malaysia.

Organizer: Putrajaya Corporation
Date: 30 May to 7 June, 2015
Venue: Anjung Floria, in Precinct 4, Putrajaya.
Contact: +603 888 7713
Website: www.floriaputrajaya.com.my or www.facebook.com/putrajayafloria

Melaka International River Festival 2015

Melaka's diverse culture and ethnic heritage comes alive at the Melaka International River Festival 2015. Watch the decorate floats, colorful Melaka trishaws, musicians and other exciting performances take on the streets and rivers of Melaka. Among the competitions that will be held during the event are Remote Control Power Boat, Dragon Boat Competition, Sungai Melak International Marathon, Ratu Kebaya Beauty Pageant and Cultural Performances from various Ethnic groups.

Organizer: Rivers and Coastal Development Corporation Melaka
Date: 30 May to 14 June, 2015
Venue: Dataran Sungai Melaka & Taman Rempah, along the Malacca River
Contact: +606 281 4323 / +606 281 4322
Website: www.ppspm.gov.my

Penang Anime Matsuri Summer Party 2015

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For the first time ever in sunny Penang Island, from the producer of Anime Festival Asia, comes the first ever-outdoor Anison party, the summer party of Anime Matsuri! Happening in the heart of Penang's heritage area, George Town, expect a exciting 2-day event with power-packed activities such as Akihabara X town, Creators Market, Cosplay Celebrities, Japa Food, Outdoor Anisong concert & party and a good chance to showcase your best yukata (kimono)!

Organizer: SOZO
Date: 23 to 24 May, 2015
Venue: Esplanade, George Town Penang
Contact: +604 264 3456
Website: www.pamsummer.asia / www.penangglobaltourism.com

LEGO Friends Musical Performance in Asia

Celebrate the magic of friendship at LEGOLAND Malaysia Resort with the power of music and catch the LEGO Friends LIV at the newly refurbished and fully air-conditioned LEGO City Stage. Join Olivia, Emma, Stephanie, Mia and Andrea in their fir musical performance in Asia! Bring your kids to dance and sing along as the girls showcase their famed musical talents an perform original LEGO Friends songs.

Organizer: Malaysia Resort, Merlin Entertainments Group
Date: 14 March to 12 June, 2015
Venue: LEGO City Stage, LEGOLAND Malaysia Resort
Contact: +607 597 8819
Website: www.legoland.com.my

Sabah Fest 2015

Come and join one of Sabah's biggest and most vividly decorated cultural parades that incorporate dance, music, fashio food and more. The Sabah Fest 2015 presents a wonderful blend of cultural and natural heritage that is richly embedded folklore prelude to the state-wide Harvest Festival celebration. This superbly entertaining cultural extravaganza is whe visitors can expect a slice of the most decadently stuffed cultural activities, shows and delicacies. Whether you are an explore with a taste for culture or just a tourist looking for new experiences, this 2015 Sabah Fest is the perfect destination for you!

Organizer: Sabah Tourism Board (Sri Pelancongan Sabah)
Date: 1 to 3 May, 2015
Venue: National Department of Culture and Art, Auditorium
Contact: +6088 221 732 / +6088 248 698
Website: www.sabahtourism.com

Tadau Ka'amatan, Harvest Festival

This vibrant cultural musical show centers around three Malaysian friends hoping to make their niches in the frontier town Kuala Lumpur during the 1880's mining boom. This charming little play was put together by a string of talented actors, wi the hopes of celebrating the people of Kuala Lumpur and all of its charms. Whether you are a historian interested in the sto of how Kuala Lumpur gained its name and how it came to be; or just here to support a Malaysian production, thes enthusiastic ensembles of actors will always be ready on stage for your viewership twice a day, 7 days a week!

Organizer: Kadazan Dusun Cultural Association (KDCA)
Date: 30 to 31 May, 2015
Venue: Penampang, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah
Contact: +6088 317 696 / +6088 715 924
Website: www.sabah.com

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MUD: Our Story of Kuala Lumpur

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Organizer: MUDKL

Running Time: Daily shows at 3pm and 8:30pm

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Venue: Panggung Bandaraya, Jalan Raja at Dataran Merdeka

Contact: +603 2602 3335

Website: www.mudkl.com

World Harvest Festival 2015

The World Harvest Festival is an ethnic festival that is one of the highlights of the Gawai Dayak celebration and provides a

opportunity for visitors with an appetite for culture to learn the cultures, traditions and aspirations of the Dayak community. Th

main highlight of the World Harvest Festival is the theme play which had received rave reviews from the media in the pas

Visitors can also sample traditional food that will surely tickle your taste buds as well as participate in a series of workshops b

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local cultural troupes. The popular ethnic beauty pageant lends color and vibrancy to the event as it is one of the most highl

anticipated portion of the festival. Join us at this culturally-packed event at the 2015 World Harvest Festival.

Organizer: Sarawak Cultural Village Association

Date: 1 to 3 May

Venue: Sarawak Cultural Village, Damai

Contact: +6082 846 411

Website: www.scv.com.my

Flower enthusiasts should make a beeline for the Penang Floral Festival where 800 different types of orchids of variou

species and hybrids will be on display at Penang Botanic Gardens. Workshops, contests, exhibitions and classes on flor

related topics will be held at this event along with the sale of plants and gardening equipment. A competition for Bonsai, Orch

plants and potted plants will also be held prior to the festival and the winning entries will be placed at the venue as part of th

exhibition. What a great excuse to put on your summer dress and sun hat and to come have a walk through our beautif

botanical garden for a date with nature!

Organizer: The Friends of the Penang Botanical Gardens Society (FRIENDS)

Date: 30 May to 7 June, 2015

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Venue: Penang Botanical Garden Grounds

Contact: +604 226 4404

Website: www.botanicalgardens.penang.gov.my

Kuala Lumpur Big Kitchen Festival 201

The sights and smells of the Kuala Lumpur culinary scene will fill the atmosphere of Merdeka Square on the 29th of May t

satiate the hunger of food lovers everywhere. The three-day festival is filled with music performances, a culinary worksho

section and fun activities designed especially for food-loving individuals! A wide variety of food trucks and stalls will lin

Merdeka Square, serving up all kinds of local, fusion and even gourmet selections. Enjoy all kinds of street food, fine dinin

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food trucks, desserts and even a special Big Kitchen pantry filled with local products and herbs & spices. Visitors will hav

plenty to sample from as they walk the lanes of the festival. The KL Big Kitchen Festival is truly a foodie's must-go-to event

Organizer: Kuala Lumpur City Hall Tourism Unit

Date: 29 to 31 May

Venue: Merdeka Square, Kuala Lumpur

Contact: +603 2698 0332

Website: www.visitkl.gov.my

Borneo Jazz Festival

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With the on-going effort to promote jazz music, the inaugural Borneo Jazz Festival is back for its 10th anniversary in Sarawa

The two-day exciting festival of Jazz music will be celebrated by the best performers' line-up promising the festival to be a h

celebratory note by bringing back favorite performers from the past years from different countries to celebrate a decade

Jazz by the sea. The performing bands will cover a wide range of jazz genre from all over the world. From the local scene, "A

The Best", a five-piece ensemble with Miri-born Syafiee Obe Hairunie, who is also the conductor of the Kuching SONS Jaz

Orchestra to lead the local challenge. It parades contemporary jazz with a twist of Malaysian flavor with added Latin rhythm

Jazz lovers are guaranteed a night of soul filling, ear licking, head swaying, music. Come party with us old-school style at th

2015 Borneo Jazz Festival.

Organizer: Sarawak Tourism Board

Date: 8 to 9 May

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Venue: Park City Everly Hotel, Miri

Contact: +6082 423 600

Website: www.jazzborneo.com

National Wau Festival of Kelantan 2015

Join us at one of the biggest kite-flying events in Peninsular Malaysia that celebrates the beauty of Malaysian kites, one

which is wau bulan. Literally translated as “moon-kite”, it is an intricately designed Malaysian kite (normally with floral motif

traditionally flown by men in the Malaysian state of Kelantan. This year’s Kite Festival brings all the brave, chest banging kit

flying champions out there to compete in The Best Wau Take-Off, Best Wau Flying Competition, Rokkaku Competition, an

The National Kite-Flying Performance which is known as one of the best kite flying shows in Asia. Get a taste of Kelanta

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culture as you participate in the many kite-making workshops, competitions, expos and many more!

Organizer: Kelantan Tourist Information Center

Date: 27 to 30 May

Venue: Pantai Genting Tumpat, Kelantan

Contact: +609 748 5534 / +609 784 3543

Website: www.tic.kelantan.gov.my

All information is correct at time of publication. Visitors are advised to contact the event organizer for the latest updates.

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