



Press Release

Grand Launch of “MOONLIGHT SPLENDOUR - SJM Lantern Festival”

*Celebrating National Day and Mid-Autumn Festival
with A Convergence of Asian Artistry in Macau*

(Macau, 21 September 2023) To celebrate both the National Day and the Mid-Autumn Festival, SJM Resorts, S.A. (“SJM”) is once again partnering with the Macau Artist Society and the Macau Youth Art Association to unveil “MOONLIGHT SPLENDOUR - SJM Lantern Festival,” a grand light-art lantern exhibition. Hosted at both the Grand Lisboa Palace Resort Macau (“Grand Lisboa Palace”) and the Grand Lisboa Hotel from now to 10 November, this showcase not only serves as a creative platform for emerging artists in Macau but also makes its international debut by featuring works from renowned overseas artists, illuminating Macau with a rich tapestry of cultural tourism vitality.

The exhibition has received support from both the Cultural Affairs Bureau of the Macao SAR Government and the Macao Government Tourism Office. A total of 11 large-scale lantern art installations designed by nine artists from Asia and Macau will be showcased, marking one of the city’s major art events of the year.

The kick-off ceremony took place today at the Jardim Secreto in Grand Lisboa Palace and was graced by Guests of Honour including Mr. Wan Sucheng, Director of the Department of Publicity and Culture of the Liaison Office of the Central People’s Government in the Macao SAR; Ms. Leong Wai Man, Director of the Cultural Affairs Bureau of the Macao SAR Government; Ms. Maria Helena de Senna Fernandes, Director of Macao Government Tourism Office; Ms. Daisy Ho, Managing Director of SJM; and Mr. Lok Hei, President of the Macau Artist Society.

Also in attendance at the ceremony were the participating artists: the famed Thai street artist Rukkit; Singaporean urban street artist ANTZ; mainland China’s popular graffiti artist RUOB; and Rainbo Peng, a renowned street artist from Hong Kong. Five budding local artists who collaborated on the showcase were also present, including oil painter Wing Pun, graphic illustrator Yolanda Kog, multimedia artist Hera Jeong, sculpture artist Yanlas Sou, and stone sculptor Carlo Lio. The lively event was further enhanced by the appearance of the Macao Tourism Mascot “MAKMAK” and SJM’s Tourism Ambassador “Sam the Rooster,” adding an extra layer of festivity to the occasion.

Ms. Daisy Ho, Managing Director of SJM, stated: “SJM is delighted to celebrate both Mid-Autumn and National Day with locals and tourists through this lantern exhibition. Not only does the event offer a cultural feast for the audience, but it also serves as a platform for exchange among the artists, allowing China’s intangible cultural heritage to shine anew and inject new vitality into Macau as a World Heritage city. The event contributes to the promotion of Macau’s cultural tourism, demonstrating its status as ‘a

base for exchange and cooperation where Chinese culture is the mainstream and diverse cultures coexist’.”

President of the Macau Artist Society, Mr. Lok Hei, stated: “The Asian participating artists mainly focus on trendy art and integrate diverse artistic aesthetics, while local youth artists are engaged in graphic, multimedia and sculpture art creations. Through this platform for communication and integration, the unique artistic languages and ideas create new creative effects, showcasing citizens and tourists the splendid charm of traditional Chinese culture with exquisite visual feast.”

“MOONLIGHT SPLENDOUR - SJM Lantern Festival” will grace the halls of both the Grand Lisboa Palace and the Grand Lisboa Hotel. Complementing the exhibition, a range of extended activities is scheduled, including guided lantern tours, parent-child art workshops, and authentic Garden Tea Party. These activities provide both residents and tourists an enriching array of experiences that pay homage to traditional Chinese culture.



Opening ceremony hosts by Mr. Wan Sucheng (third from left), Ms. Leong Wai Man (second from left), Ms. Maria Helena de Senna Fernandes (second from right), Ms. Daisy Ho (first on the left), and Mr. Lok Hei (first on the right).



Guests of Honour, participating artists, Macao Tourism Mascot “MAKMAK,” and SJM’s Tourism Ambassador “Sam the Rooster” witness the grand lighting of the lantern installations.



Guests touring the exhibition accompanied by artists.