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Art for a cause



One of the artworks at the showcase.

IN celebration of United Voice's 25th anniversary, the Mandarin Oriental, Kuala Lumpur will be presenting United Voice Art Gallery from Oct 1-4.

United Voice is Malaysia's first society run by persons with learning disabilities. It conducts awareness programmes, workshops and conferences on self-advocacy among others.

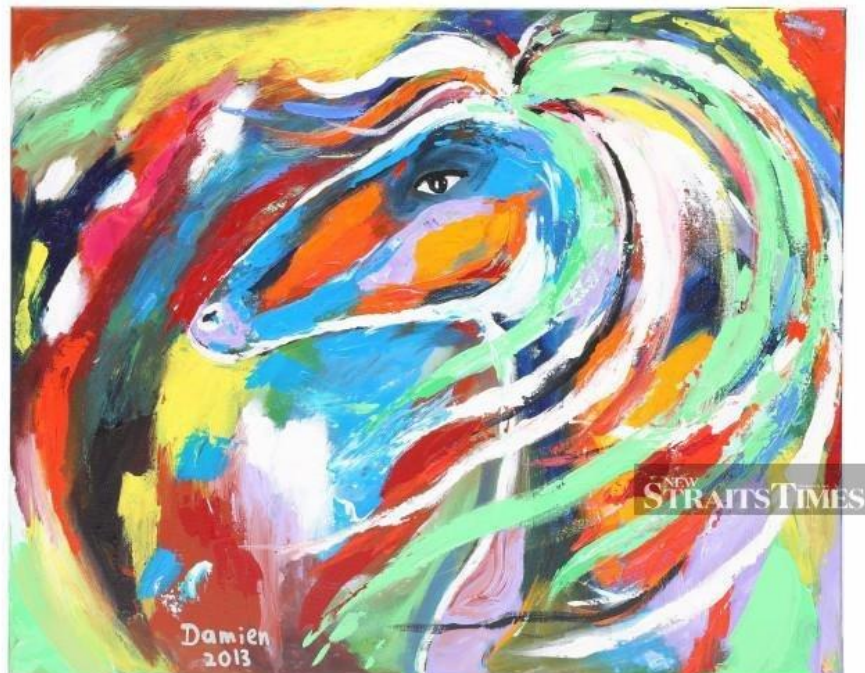
It helps those with learning disabilities to learn lifelong skills that help them earn a living and contribute to society. These skills include baking, weaving, painting and drawing.

In the special four day showcase, Mandarin Oriental encourages the public to view and purchase artworks produced by the members of United Voice in support of the organisation's mission to help its members earn a living. All proceeds will be channeled to United Voice.

"We are humbled by the achievements that United Voice has made throughout its 25 years in Malaysia. Their members have so much to offer to society and people need to see that. The public needs to see that there is a lot to be done to support those with learning disabilities as they are often not given equal opportunity to speak up or make choices that affect their lives," says Mandarin Oriental Kuala Lumpur general manager, Christian Tavelli.

Art is a form of expression and this showcase is a true articulation of their talent and we need to recognise and celebrate it, he adds.

The United Voice Art Gallery is open to everyone from 10am to 8pm during Oct 1-4 at Opal and Pearl rooms, lobby level, Mandarin Oriental, Kuala Lumpur.



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