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GEORGE TOWN CULTURE AND HERITAGE ON DISPLAY AT GEORGE TOWN WORLD HERITAGE SITE 10TH ANNIVERSARY EXHIBITION

GEORGE TOWN: The built and living heritage of George Town are now being showcased through interactive and creative means in the George Town: Beautiful and Irregular Exhibition, held in conjunction with the 10th anniversary of George Town's listing as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Organised by George Town World Heritage Incorporated, the exhibition is open to the public until 27 July 2018 from 11am to 7pm, daily except Mondays, at Bangunan UAB in Gat Lebuah China in George Town.

Featuring three main sections - Past, Present and Future - it aims to instil a sense of belonging among exhibition visitors to the George Town World Heritage Site and inspire them to play an active role in safeguarding the cultural heritage of George Town.

George Town World Heritage Incorporated General Manager Dr Ang Ming Chee said the exhibition title of 'Beautiful and Irregular' was inspired by a letter written by English writer and civil servant Augustus Prinsep to his wife when he saw Penang for the first time in 1829 from the deck of the ship that was taking him to Australia.

"Since its inception, George Town has been a dynamic cosmopolitan town, where not only goods were exchanged, but also ideas, traditions, flavours, and sounds. People from around the globe and all walks of life have gathered in George Town to form a community of movers and shakers.

"This exhibition showcases the past, present and future of George Town through the lens of culture and heritage. Several cultures that developed in early George Town - port culture, food culture, youth culture, and print culture - continue to be a part of George Town today as much as they were yesterday, and will carry us into tomorrow," she said.

Dr Ang added that it was important to document, understand and appreciate George Town's cultural properties - built, intangible and environment - and for everyone to be inspired to safeguard the cultural heritage.



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The exhibition is organised with support from the Penang Government, and in partnership with Khazanah Nasional Berhad, Penang State Museum, LUMA, Centre for Global Archaeological Research of Universiti Sains Malaysia, Image Farm Productions, Studio Good Think and Think City.

For details of the exhibition, visit <http://gtwhi.com.my/gt10/exhibition/> or follow George Town World Heritage Incorporated on Facebook.

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