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27 UPCOMING LOCAL ARTISTS TO BE FEATURED AT RHB'S ART EXHIBITION

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia – RHB Banking Group ("RHB") Art With Heart (AWH) 2019 exhibition featuring 27 young and emerging local artists opens its doors to the public from 24 June to 30 June 2019 at the Bangsar Shopping Complex (BSC) in Kuala Lumpur. Themed "Diversity & Inclusivity", AWH 2019 provides local artists with a platform to showcase their works. The exhibition underlines RHB's commitment towards nurturing talents in Malaysia's art scene.

Into its third edition this year, the exhibition will feature 27 local upcoming artists who will display more than 100 artworks. The exhibition is set to promote a diverse mix of talents, comprising art undergraduates, experienced artists, those who have established themselves overseas, and first-time exhibitors.

Paintings, installation works and other art work reflect the theme for this year which speaks of diversity and inclusivity not just in the artworks themselves, but also in the artists' diverse backgrounds and creative disciplines.

AWH 2019 presents six artists from Universiti Malaysia Sabah, led by the renowned Sabahan art Professor Dr. Zaimie Sahibil, who is well-known for his innovative use of colour, technique and materials.

Among the unique pieces on display, are combinations of creative elements made out of colourful wood and aluminium mixed-media works by Dayang Mazianah Sidek, renditions of designs from indigenous communities depicting unity by Mohd Auzal Khan Bakri, and the rich heritage of the traditional Rungus long houses brought out with a 3-dimensional approach by Tay Lu Yee, among others.

"RHB's Art with Heart Exhibition provides young and emerging artists with a platform to showcase their talent and ideas, while promoting the local art scene and encouraging the public to appreciate works of art by our home-grown artists. This year's exhibition also allows us to appreciate the unique interpretation of the theme by the artists through their artworks. Through AWH we hope to deepen the appreciation of art among Malaysians and accord our young and emerging local artists with added mileage in reaching a larger audience," said Norazzah Sulaiman, Group Chief Communications Officer, RHB Banking Group.

Art lovers and members of the public will be able to view and purchase these unique art pieces from as low as RM500 up to over RM26,000. Customers who make payment from any RHB Accounts will receive a 5% discount on all art purchases.

Come and experience *RHB's Art With Heart 2019* exhibition at BSC's Concourse area in Kuala Lumpur from 24 June to 30 June 2019, between 10.00 am and 10.00 pm. For more information on the exhibition, visit Facebook and Instagram of RHB Bank and RHB Foundation.

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