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‘CITARASA MALAYSIA GALA DINNER AT RAMADA PLAZA MELAKA – 22 June 16’

Ramada Plaza Melaka hosted the highly anticipated Hari Raya gala dinner event on 22 June 2016 at the Bunga Raya grand ballroom. With the theme “Citarasa Malaysia”, the 500-strong guests were treated to a sumptuous Raya dinner featuring bold and traditional Malaysian colours and flavours. From signature dishes such as tender satay served alongside the iconic ketupat dipped in mouth-watering peanut sauce to succulent roasted meats and decadent local desserts to end this glorious “balik kampung” meal, the buffet spread was indeed a splendid feast that reflected the Malaysian spirit and love for good food.

The gala extravaganza was held as a breaking of fast event during the holy month of Ramadhan where millions of Muslims around the world mark the start of Ramadan with a month of intense prayer, dawn-to-dusk fasting and nightly feasts. Fasting during Ramadan is one of the five pillars of Islam, along with the Muslim declaration of faith, daily prayer, charity, and performing the hajj pilgrimage in Mecca.

In line with the spirit of the fasting month, Ramada Plaza Melaka through its Ramada Caring Club decided to bring warmth and joy to 20 senior citizens and single mothers as part of its Corporate Social Responsibility project. These single mothers were specially invited to join the gala dinner and were later presented with a token sum called “duit raya” and a bag of goodies from the General Manager, Mr Edouard Reizian.

According to Ms. Nurashiken, Director of Sales and Marketing, “We at Ramada Plaza Melaka always believe that it is important to contribute to the vibrancy of our communities through diverse community and environmental-friendly projects. The month of Ramadhan is always an extra special time to touch the lives of the less fortunate and to those in need. We are optimistic that by doing so we can bring a little cheer and hope into their lives.”

This year’s gala dinner also included an assortment of activities — ranging from a fashion show by Ray & Hani Collection which showcased fashionably and creatively designed traditional wear for the ladies to lucky draws

where guests won attractive meal and hotel room vouchers. The guests were also serenaded with beautifully composed spiritual songs by a *nasyid* quartet known as “NowSeeHeart”.



Mr Edouard Reizian, appropriately dressed in the *baju Melayu*, a Malay traditional attire, said “it is always a wonderful time to share and celebrate one of the major festivities in Malaysia and more so in Ramada Plaza Melaka where nothing is left to chance. Every one of my staff is highly committed to personally ensure that every event held here is well-thought out and executed from the food to the program and to the comfort and satisfaction of all the guests. I look forward to hosting more exciting events here during my tenure as the GM of Ramada Plaza Melaka and with the Hari Raya festival just round the corner, our hotel is your perfect choice for celebrations and reunions with families and friends.”



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About Ramada Plaza Melaka

Set in the heart of Historical City of Melaka, Ramada Plaza Melaka is a five-star international hotel managed by Wyndham Hotel Group, the world's largest hotel group. We strive to provide a comfortable escape into timeless luxury.

As you arrive at the hotel, be greeted with a warm smile as the porters lead you to your room. Discover UNESCO world heritage sites, setting off from the hotel's central location. The Concierge desk offers the option of complimentary shuttle service to main attractions such as Jonker Street and shopping canterers within mere minutes.

Before you know it, the afternoon sky soon gives way to the deep hues of sunset. You can head back to the hotel and experience our relaxing spa followed by dining in one of the hotel's award winning restaurants from authentic Chinese dim sum to Italian cuisines.

Ramada Plaza Melaka, constructed in 1984 features 294 newly renovated guestrooms overlooking either the winding Melaka river and its surroundings or the extensive view of Chinatown and the Straits of Malacca and 12 function rooms, professionally handled by a team of event managers ready to serve you.