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THE ICON OF MALAYSIAN JOURNALIST PHOTOGRAPHY

KUALA LUMPUR – National Art Gallery is holding an exhibition which is called “Eric Peris Archive Project”, located at the Galeri Potret of the National Art Gallery. This exhibition is a comprehensive documentation effort in highlighting the artistic journey of O Don Eric Peris, an artist who has left a mark in fine art and journalistic photography in Malaysia.

Eric Peris is a figure in the world of Malaysian photography. He has been so committed to his art for over four decades. With a career spanning from the early 1980s until now, he has become an important figure in shaping the narrative of local art. Along with the late Ismail Hashim, Eric Peris has emerged as one of the leading voices in Malaysian photography who captures the essence of the country's culture, history, and society through his lens.

“Eric Peris Archive Project” digs deeper into his artistic journey which includes his significant contribution to the development of local journalistic photography and fine art that reflects the uniqueness of Malaysia's identity. This exhibition contains more than 100 archive documents, newspapers, brochures, as well as works of art and the National Visual Art Collection.

The “Eric Peris Archive Project” not only honors his outstanding achievements, but also emphasizes the gallery's important role in protecting and commemorating icons of Malaysian art history. In addition, it can also inspire as well as bring awareness to the importance of art in shaping Malaysia's cultural diversity.

Therefore, the public is invited to collaboratively visit and emulate Eric Peris' art journey which is currently on display until May 2024 at the National Art Gallery. For more information on exhibitions and support programs organized by the National Art Gallery, follow the official social media or visit the website www.artgallery.gov.my.

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