

Art Macao: Macao International Art Biennale 2021

The hosting of “Art Macao: Macao International Art Biennale 2021” is reason for celebration in the city. First and foremost, the good results achieved by Macao SAR so far in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic, provide us the conditions to safely present to our residents and visitors this four months-long feast of art and culture, running under the theme “To create for the well-being”.

An event of the scale and variety of Art Macao holds the capacity to generate opportunities for local artists, event organizers, venue managers, tourism operators and more, who benefit from its organization. While further integrating “tourism + culture and creativity”, it enriches leisure programs for our residents, and we hope it may also offer more reasons for our visitors to come and stay longer in Macao.

Government and industry operators’ close collaboration enabled the mobilization of the unique cultural resources characteristic of our city to create an art and culture gala that integrates our cultural and tourism offer, enforcing our strengths as we advance to implement the Culture and Tourism Development Plan for the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area and create a world class destination in the region.

The success of the organization of Art Macao is a full showcase of the close cooperation between public and private sectors, allowing us to achieve greater results. Grateful for the support of all those that made this event possible, it is my wish that Art Macao is embraced by all.

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