

# Edinburgh Old Town's latest fine art gallery

Edinburgh's Old Town welcomed its latest addition to the art scene with the opening of HoeyynArts Gallery.

Heralded by Chinese drumming and a Lion Dance, the gallery opened with fanfare to the surprise and delight of many neighbors on Blackfriars Street just off the Royal Mile. Curious onlookers and guests braved the Edinburgh weather to see the Lion Dance performance celebrating the auspicious opening of the gallery dedicated to the work of Malaysian Chinese Artist Hoeyyn.

The opening was complemented by a brilliant performance by Misa-Lisin, a traditional Langasan Theater performance troupe of aboriginal dancers, and performance artists from Taiwan doing celebratory dances of blessing and good wishes for the success of HoeyynArts.



Hoeyyn is an accomplished artist with numerous awards and successful exhibitions in London Mayfair, Edinburgh, and Malaysia. She holds the Platinum Award as Top 10 Malaysian Outstanding Artists. Trained in traditional Chinese art as well as modern western styles, Hoeyyn brings a unique blend of styles and materials to her contemporary pieces.

Hoeyyn's mixed media artwork includes at times using palettes for frames, coffee for ink, and canvasses made of hessian cloth, rough recycled paper, and wood blocks. The intimate

gallery highlights this variety as well as the opportunity to meet the artist in residence.

The centrepieces of the opening exhibit were three pieces of work commissioned for the MATRADE conference in London in 2013. They depict the multi-cultural society in Malaysia and the regional cooking styles that blend effortlessly in the unique culinary environment that is Malaysia. Other pieces include a cube montage of whimsical cat faces and two intimate portraits of her father, depicted in a thoughtful pose, and her mother, a Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) doctor depicted examining a young patient.



HoeyynArts Gallery guests included friends, collectors and promoters each drawn by their own interests in the talented artist, as well as figures from the national and international art scene, such as Scotland's Mark Powell Elligius and Italy's Guglielmo Greco Piccolo. All were impressed by the transformation of the intimate space into an inspirational setting for fine art. The artist herself expressed her desire for the public to be inspired and to reflect on her diverse body of work, its themes and the materials used. While mostly exhibiting Hoeyyn's work, HoeyynArts Gallery will occasionally invite guest artists to exhibit in the forum.

HoeyynArts Gallery is open 7 days a week from 11AM to 6PM. For more information, visit <http://hoeyynarts.com> or <http://www.facebook.com/HoeyynArts>.

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