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Malls blooming with happiness

Campaign offers all kinds of festive goodies and fun activities



TO USHER in Chinese New Year, Sunway Malls have launched their campaign with the unifying theme of "Blooming Happiness" at Sunway Velocity Mall in Kuala Lumpur.

The theme signifies the importance of multiplying happiness, love and prosperity.

This year, Sunway Malls are incorporating an interactive augmented reality (AR) digital element to the celebration.

Shoppers can scan the QR code to customise a special Chinese New Year greeting to be shared with loved ones through the digital Blessing Pond.

Shoppers are also welcome to try the Fortune Hop AR game to win mystery gifts.

Stand a chance to win a Proton X70 when you shop and spend in any of the Sunway Malls.

Those who prefer to shop virtually can head to Sunway eMall for exclusive vouchers and deals.

Visit www.sunwaymalls.com/ blooming-happiness/ or check out the malls' social media platforms for details.

Sunway Pyramid

The mall's LG2 Orange Concourse, decked out with cherry blossoms, beckons visitors to drop by for its campaign running until Jan 29.

Visitors can pick up traditional snacks like dragon beard candy,



Sunway management launching the campaign. They are (flanked by lions, from left) Allan Tay, Danny Lee, Jason Chin, KS Wong, HC Chan, Phang Sau Lian, Chai Wen Yew, Albert Cheok and Loo Hoey Theen.

maltose lollipops and *ting ting* candy at the concourse.

A flower market by Fleurs and a calligraphy booth have been set up while lion dances will liven things up on selected weekends.

An acrobatic lion dance will take place at the main entrance on Jan

Sunway Velocity Mall

The main atrium on the ground floor will be brimming with festivities until Feb 6.

There will be weekly lion dances, weekend shows, God of Fortune appearances plus workshops.

On Jan 14 from 2pm to 4pm,

come watch the Little Blooming Prince and Princess Contest where VeloKiddie members will dress in *cheongsam* and *samfu* to stand a chance to win up to RM600 worth of prizes in total.

Also, drop by on Jan 22 at 11am for an acrobatic lion dance.

Meanwhile, shoppers can pick up goodies from the booths and pushcarts at the main atrium.

Sunway Putra Mall

Weekends at the mall will be packed with activities until Feb 5.

drums performance and various

Catch the rabbit mascot walking about and dip into the AR wishing pond.

A lantern painting contest offering prices worth about RM1,800 in total will allow shoppers to unleash their creativity.

In addition, get essentials like clothes, cookies and hampers at the bazaar at the main concourse, ground floor.

Check out the festive delicacies offered at F&B outlets such as Go Noodle, Dolly Dim Sum and Simple Life.

Enjoy good deals on fashion, decorations, lifestyle and technology throughout Sunway Putra Mall for this festive season

Sunway Carnival Mall

Feel the charm of the holiday season when you enter the beautifully decorated "Garden of Abundance" with its cherry blossom tree as the centrepiece, complete with glowing lanterns.

This will provide lovely photo opportunities until Feb 5.

Also, take a little walk on the "Stairs to Success" (Bu Bu Gao Sheng) to gain good blessings.

Sunway Giza Mall

The pretty decorations at the centre boulevard will cheer up visitors until Feb 5.

They will be greeted with stairs lit with sparkling lights and red lanterns to symbolise positivity.

Besides that, remember to snap photos with the rabbit sculptures near the fountain area.

Lion dances and God of
Prosperity walkabouts on selected
weekends will bring more merriment while shoppers look for essentials at the Chinese New Year bazaar
along the boulevard.

Sunway Big Box Retail Park and Sunway Citrine

Step into the spring forest and discover activities like DIY workshops and be entertained by acrobatic lion dances and more on selected weekends and public holidays until Feb 19.

Also, to give back to the community, the mall has a Wishing Wall where visitors are encouraged to write wishes.

The mall will grant selected wishes that touch the heart.

Greeting 2023 in style at dazzling carnival in Port Dickson

THE Funtastic Countdown Carnival drew more than 2,000 revellers to Lexis Hibiscus Port Dickson in Negri Sembilan.

The party kicked off at 5pm on new year's eve with attendees challenging each other to fun carnival games.

Among them were Buzz The Wire, Bounce Basketball, Crazy Driver, Ring Toss, Shooting Gallery, Coconut Bowling, Hook The Duck and Eye Rollin Stick – where guests redeemed exciting prizes.

The young ones, meanwhile, were more drawn to a petting zoo where they interacted with animals such as rabbits, iguanas, bearded dragons, snakes, skunks, parrots, hedgehogs and hamsters.

las, scorpions and Madagascar roaches also fascinated the children and their families.

After working up a big appetite, the guests tucked into a sumptuous international barbecue buffet with a beach theme.

It featured Waldorf salad, assorted *dim sum*, seafood and vegetarian tempura, whole roasted lamb, chicken *tandoori*, beef striploin, chicken *satay* and an assortment of soups and desserts.

This gastronomic treat was followed by an energetic dance-along party hosted by the talented Lexis Hibiscus Port Dickson sports and recreation team.



A bird's eye view of the fireworks display during the Funtastic Countdown Carnival at Lexis Hibiscus Port Dickson.

This encouraged guests to blow off some steam and let loose with their best dance moves.

Rydee & The Wei Li Trio, as well as Melyn, Winfred and The Seasons serenaded revellers with a crowd-pleasing medley of R&B, soul, blues, jazz and pop tunes.

Throughout the night, roving performers including LED stilt walkers, a walking magician plus Captain America, Optimus Prime and Bumblebee characters entertained the crowd.

Meanwhile, Malaysian hit *Ola Bola* was screened at the resort's inaugural outdoor cinema show.

The audience relaxed under the clear starry sky with white sand under their feet, and munching on caramel popcorn.

Highly skilled fire dancers then turned up the heat with a fearless display of awesome stunts.

And as if that's not enough, a mesmerising laser projection show lit up the sky and brought the Aurora Borealis spectacularly to life.

There were also other activities like a 9m inflatable rock-climbing challenge and games with inflatable objects.

Party-goers did not go home empty-handed.

Many who took part in the "Spin To Win" game won amazing prizes from event sponsors AirAsia Ride, Platinum Charters, Village Grocer, Oppo Malaysia, Tranquilice, Dr Ed & Co and Souled Out.

Guests were also showered with lucky draw prizes courtesy of Lexis Hotel Group.

These prizes include two-day, one-night staycations at its resorts Lexis Port Dickson, Grand Lexis Port Dickson, Lexis Hibiscus Port Dickson and Lexis Suites Penang.

One lucky guest, Fariza Aman, clinched the grand prize of a two-day, one-night stay at Lexis Hibiscus Port Dickson's exclusive presidential suite that is large enough for eight persons.

The suite comes with five rooms, two infinity pools and a big living and dining area.

Emcees Nick Davis and
Samantha Lee kept the crowd on
their toes leading up to the stroke
of midnight when a magical fireworks display illuminated the Port
Dickson sky.

The celebrations went on past midnight as the excited crowd danced to the infectious tracks spun by a resident DJ.

Lexis Hotel Group president Mandy Chew Siok Cheng said the beach resort pulled out all the stops for its Funtastic Countdown Carnival.

"After a two-year hiatus due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we threw the biggest party of the year for that special last night of 2022.

"The aim was to transport all guests to another dimension of adrenaline-pumping familyfriendly fun," she said.