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**PANGKOR LAUT RESORT UNVEILS OPERA IN PARADISE 2024 ENCORE
HARMONIES AMIDST NATURE’S SPLENDOUR**



KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA – 14 MAY 2024 - Experience the enchantment of Opera in Paradise as Pangkor Laut Resort, nestled in the tranquil embrace of a secluded island sanctuary, unveils its second edition of this extraordinary event. Building upon the resounding success of its debut in October 2023, this year's Opera in Paradise promises to transport guests into a world of unparalleled beauty and artistic excellence.

As legendary tenor Luciano Pavarotti once described Pangkor Laut Resort “This place is enchanting, it is paradise here. This morning when I woke up, I went out (and) I was really moved, almost crying to see how beautiful things has (been) done by God. Because this is really paradise.” This event aims to embody his sentiment by merging the exquisite artistry of globally renowned performers with the breathtaking natural surroundings of the resort. Against the backdrop of pristine beaches, crystal-clear waters, and ancient rainforests, guests are invited to immerse themselves in the soul-stirring melodies of world-class opera.

Prepare to be captivated by the harmonious blend of human talent and nature's splendour as Opera in Paradise returns to Pangkor Laut Resort, promising an unforgettable symphony of sights and sounds that will leave a lasting impression on all who attend.

Extraordinary Performers, Treasured Moments



Headlining the event is the acclaimed Italian flautist **Andrea Griminelli**, whose illustrious career spanning over 35 years has earned him international acclaim and numerous awards, including a Grammy and an Italian Knighthood. Returning as the Musical Director, Griminelli's performance pays tribute to Pavarotti's historic concert on the island, promising to evoke emotion and awe in equal measure.

Joining Griminelli are a stellar line-up of award-winning performers, including:



Laura Wright, a renowned mezzo-soprano, has graced high-profile events worldwide, including performances for Her Majesty the late Queen Elizabeth II. Notable for writing the anthem "Invincible" for The Invictus Games, Laura has performed it at various prestigious ceremonies. Since winning BBC Chorister of the Year at the age of 15, she has become one of the decade's top-selling artists and is currently working on her 7th album.



Cathy-Di Zhang, an award-winning soprano and Associate of the Royal Academy of Music, completed her studies there on a full scholarship. Returning to Australia in 2020, she has since performed with top Australian companies, debuting in multiple roles including for Opera Australia and the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra. Previous roles include Zerlina in "Don Giovanni" and Mimi in "La Bohème". She has also appeared internationally and participated in prestigious festivals.



John Longmuir, a celebrated tenor from Edinburgh, Scotland, trained at the Australian Opera Studio and has won prestigious awards including the Herald-Sun Aria and the Joan Sutherland and Richard Bonyngé Bel Canto Award. Notable for his role in Berg's "Wozzeck", he has performed over 500 times for Opera Australia in various roles. Longmuir has also made significant appearances on the concert stage, collaborating with renowned orchestras worldwide. Additionally, he served as a judge on channel Seven's "All Together Now".

Immerse Yourself in Luxury and Culture

Set against the backdrop of Pangkor Laut Resort's unique ethos of 'One Island, One Resort,' Opera in Paradise promises an unforgettable weekend of luxury, culture, and culinary delights. Guests will indulge in world-class opera performances, exquisite gastronomy, and unparalleled hospitality, all amidst the pristine beauty of Pangkor Laut's natural surroundings.

Opera in Paradise will take place from 18 – 20 October, 2024, offering guests a three-day, two-night weekend experience of opera, gastronomy, and luxury. Packages start from RM6,500++ and include minimum two nights' accommodation, daily meals, scheduled speedboat transfers, pre-concert cocktails, and the opera concert followed by a gala dinner.

Don't miss your chance to experience harmonies amidst nature's splendour. Book your experience today and embark on a journey of music, culture, and luxury at Pangkor Laut Resort.

To make reservations or for inquiries, kindly utilise the [booking link](#) provided below or reach out to YTL Travel Centre via phone at +60 3 2783 1000, email travelcentre@ytlhotels.com or visit www.pangkorlautresort.com.



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About Pangkor Laut Resort

Pangkor Laut Resort is set along the Straits of Malacca, three miles off the west coast of Malaysia, surrounded by the emerald sea. Here, guests discover a piece of paradise two million years in the making. Of the island's 300 acres, only a fraction has been developed to house this peaceful luxury resort and its Estates. This private island resort was declared a paradise by the late Pavarotti and voted 'Number One in the World' by Condé Nast Traveller U.K. in its sixth annual Readers' Travel Awards Top 100 list in 2003. Here, wooden buildings blend seamlessly into the forest, walls curve around foliage, and roofs open up to allow trees to continue on their journey to the sky. Nature is respected here, almost revered and it rewards visitors in ways that simply need to be experienced. www.pangkorlautresort.com

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About YTL Hotels

YTL Hotels owns and manages a prestigious collection of award-winning resorts, hotels, boutique experiences and Spa Villages with a hospitality footprint across Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Japan, Australia, France, The Netherlands and the United Kingdom, including Pangkor Laut Resort, voted the world's best resort in 2003 by Condé Nast Traveller UK. The Gainsborough Bath Spa, a part of the Small Luxury Hotels of the World's collection of legendary hotels, was named in the 2017 Condé Nast Traveller Awards World's Top 100 and listed amongst the Best Hotels in the UK as well as the Top Destination Spa Resorts in the World in the 2022 Condé Nast Traveller Readers' Choice Awards.

The portfolio, which embraces the brand promise of Treasured Places, Treasured Moments, also encompasses the ownership management of Marriott International properties in Australia and Kuala Lumpur as well as properties under the brand's distinctive Autograph Collection banner. Properties under the Marriott International partnership include The Ritz-Carlton, Koh Samui as well as Higashiyama Niseko Village, a Ritz-Carlton Reserve, named in TIME's World's Greatest Places 2021 list and also the first Ritz-Carlton Reserve in Japan, complementing YTL Hotels' master plan for Niseko Village.

With each new experience that it presents, the company strives to embrace and highlight the natural essence of culture, character and tradition of its surroundings. YTL Hotels is the hospitality arm of YTL Corporation Berhad. Visit ytlhotels.com for more information and follow us on our social media platforms for #YTLTravels

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