

Thu 1 - Sun 4 August



摆烂 MBTI人格市集 SO EXTRA MBTI: PERSONALITIES MARKET

📅 Thu 1 Aug - Sun 4 Aug
🕒 5:00 PM - 11:00 PM
📍 Coco Cobana Miri
🆓 FREE
👤 So Extra Market Team
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Welcome to 摆烂市集 So Extra Market, where passion meets creativity in the heart of Miri, Sarawak. Join us for an immersive celebration themed around the MBTI 16 Personalities. This market isn't just about shopping. It's a journey of self-discovery and community spirit.

Fri 2 August



ALL ABOUT ARTS: CRAFTING FUTURES TALKS SERIES

📅 Fri 2 Aug
🕒 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM
📍 Coco Cobana Miri
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To amplify the All About Arts movement, a series of inspirational talks by key movers that aim to provide insights on the international arts, crafts and fashion scene.

Gain insights on the latest global trends, new and fresh creative ideas and materials that are making waves on the international arts and crafts scene and more from experts who are well connected to key networks within this industry.

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MUSIC PORTAL: SEASIDE SOUNDSCAPES

An eclectic selection of RnB, Jazz and Hip-hop to accompany your relaxing breeze-swept sunset by the sea.

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FAITH FIANCE

Through a genuine love of soulful music and poetry, Faith Fiance has blossomed into a vibrant and passionate RnB musician on a spiritual journey of self-discovery and connecting with their world through their gift of song-writing.



TA'DAN

Brought together by a common love of blues and progressive fusion, this virtuosic duo have been featured at numerous local music festivals, bringing to bear their compositional prowess that infuses a wide palette of musical influences to the tradition of jazz improvisation.



IRFAN ANIQ

With recent hometown hits like "Mana Boleh" and "sweekang," Kuching-based Irfan Aniq has been making serious moves in the local Hip-hop scene with his dynamic style and lyrical poetry.

Fri 2 August



ZIJI Q

Kuching-born RnB artist Ziji Q has been garnering a phenomenal following among Malaysian RnB fans after his hit S'XWITHME went viral, solidifying him as a rising star in the genre.



AQLZ

Miri's own "Prince of House Music" has shared festival stages with big names such as Alan Walker and DJ Soda. His fast-paced genre-bending mixing style has made him a crowd favorite all across East Malaysia from Kuching to Kota Kinabalu.

Sat 3 August



SARAWAK CRAFT SHOWCASE: ARTISAN DEMONSTRATION

📅 Sat 3 Aug
🕒 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
📍 MYY Mall
🆓 FREE
📍 Landik
📞 Mandy Chen +6014-2871 389

Dive into the rich tapestry of traditional and contemporary crafts at our Artisan Craft Demonstration! Join us and witness live demonstrations by five talented artisans, each presenting a unique craft ranging from Rose and Rattan Weaving, Eco Printing, Kabo Necklace and Burie (Cowrie) crafts.

Sat 3 August

MUSIC PORTAL: COCO ROCKS

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Serving up a stacked line-up of totally bangin' sounds from Kuching, Miri and Brunei. Bounce your head to this!



JAGUARANDI

Miri newcomers Jaguarandi, formed in 2023 and are set to introduce audiences to their own special brew of sounds ranging from 60s Rock to Anatolian Psychedelia.



RADAK NYAWA

Formed in early 2023, Kuching's Radak Nyawa have taken Iban music to a punkier, grungier sound with their diverse underground influences.



SPACE BIRD

Inspired by their post-rock influences, Space Bird is an instrumental infusion of experimental dream-pop, shoegaze, nu-metal and prog-rock. Absolutely Mental!

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WE ARE AVALANCHE

Miri-based Alt-Rockers have a sound as heavy as their name implies. Giggling regularly in the club circuit as much as the underground scene, this band plays a wide repertoire of popular covers along with their original numbers.



AUTOMATIC THE REMOTE

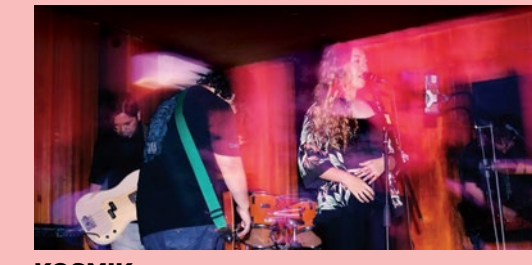
This Kuching pop-punk/rock act has blazed a trail for themselves since 2019 with their high-energy stage performances stirring up mosh pits with their catchy melodies.



ETHNIC TRANSMISSIONS

Recognised as a prime innovator in the Iban Alt-Rock movement, ET has received several music industry awards and nominations as their music continues to pave new grounds in Sarawakian rock music.

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KOSMIK

Hailing from Brunei, this seasoned ensemble of underground and session musicians came together in 2018, breaking into the scene with their own flair of pop, punk, metal, indie and jazz; crafted into a truly unique sound scape.



CLOCKWISE

Having played numerous shows in the regional underground circuit, Kuching's enigmatic Post-Punk Shoegazers are infamous for their angst-laden delivery and crushing wall of sound.



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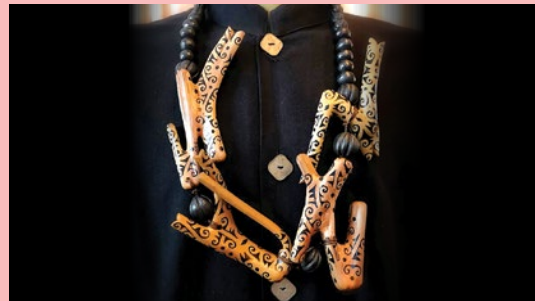


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ALL ABOUT ARTS: AN EXHIBITION

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Showcasing a carefully curated range of award winning arts and crafts products which have received international acclaim and following. This exhibition hopes to inspire our local artists and artisans to push beyond their creative boundaries and produce even more exciting works for the global stage.



ALL ABOUT ARTS: FASHION EXHIBITION

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Come and experience the unique Sarawak inspired creations of Edric Ong & Melinda Omar that have graced prominent catwalks of London and Paris to great interests. These outstanding pieces will be on display together with other exciting works by local designers.

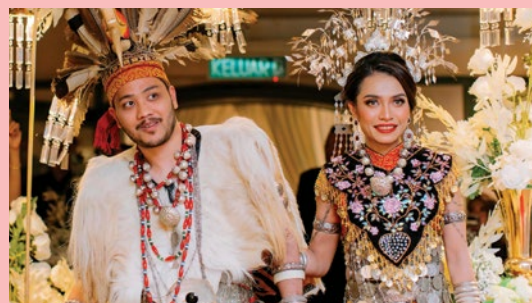
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ARTRAGEOUSLY RAMSAY: AN EXHIBITION

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Ramsay Ong has experimented on a plethora of different styles, techniques and mediums over his lifetime as a pioneering professional artist. This exhibition showcases his unique paintings as well as his statement glass bead fashion accessories. The artist is on hand to meet visitors during the show.



BAJU KUAS IBAN BALAU SARAWAK

📅 Thu 1 Aug - Sun 4 Aug
🕒 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
📍 Coco Cobana Miri
🆓 FREE
👤 About Kuching Sdn. Bhd.
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Baju Kuas is a ceremonial garment worn specifically by women of the Iban Balau ethnic community. Julia James is one of the few individuals who still crafts this exquisite Iban attire by hand. Come learn more about the origins of this unique Sarawakian tradition and its enduring heritage in the modern age.

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INTO THE WILD: AN EXHIBITION

📅 Thu 1 Aug - Sun 4 Aug
🕒 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
📍 Coco Cobana Miri
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"Into the Wild" is a visually engaging educational exhibition about Borneo's vibrant biodiversity. Come take a guided journey with avid naturalist Alexander Ang and find out more about these remarkable denizens that reside literally in our own backyard.

EXHIBITION WALKTHROUGH WITH ALEX:
🕒 3:00 PM 2 Aug
🕒 12:00 PM 4 Aug



MARKETPLACE

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Get your hands on some unique handcrafted art creations directly from the artists and artisans themselves at this specially curated marketplace. From wearable art pieces to home accessories to general lifestyle products and more, this bazaar is sure to whet the shopaholic's appetite.

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FANTASTIC AROMA HANDMADE CRAFT SOAP WORKSHOP

📅 Thu 1 Aug - Sun 4 Aug
🕒 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
📍 Coco Cobana Miri
👤 Ticket price includes 70g DIY soap kit
6-12 years: RM20 (must be accompanied by adult)
Student and Seniors: RM23
Adults RM 26
👤 Starz Team Arts & Crafts
📞 Yen Ng +6019-838 9799

Ever wondered how soap is made? Come and learn to craft your own hand-made natural soap with scents and aromas of your choice, or choose from a selection of ready-made varieties free of artificial chemicals and ingredients.



MYY VINTAGE NIGHT

📅 Thu 1 Aug - Sun 4 Aug
🕒 3:00 PM - 11:00 PM
📍 Miri Handicraft Centre Carpark
🆓 FREE
👤 Persatuan Usahawan Anak Sarawak Miri (PUAS)
📞 Khalid Ashari +6019 830 7356

MYY Vintage Night is a collectors market where you can find an assortment of classic collectibles, thrift vintage and rare hobby items, displayed and sold by a community of collectors from Miri and Brunei. Come check out what precious trinkets they have in store.

Sun 4 August



WAK MIRI WHAT'S WAK - A FIRESIDE CHAT

TALK

Sun 4 Aug
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Coco Cobana Miri
FREE
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What is an open access platform? What is an 'Umbrella Festival'? How do I participate? These questions and more will be answered and discussed by the WAK team to create better understanding of the WAK movement. Come join us and maybe even become a part of this exciting community in the next editions.

Meet the WAK founding directors, managers and coordinators who are on hand to discuss and answer all of your queries in a chill session.



GOING WILD

NATURE

Sun 4 Aug
1:00 PM - 2:30 PM
Coco Cobana Miri
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"Going Wild" is an interactive wildlife and safety presentation designed to educate the public on nature's most infamous characters: snakes, reptiles and other venomous creatures. Come and learn more about these misunderstood animals with avid naturalist Alexander Ang.

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Fashionistas, come and enjoy a chill afternoon at the Sibu Heritage Centre as models parade donning the exciting works of featured designers. Designers include Edric Ong and Melor by Melinda Omar whose creations were featured at the recent London Fashion Week as well as the latest works of other renowned local creative talents.



CALL OF THE TRIBES

CULTURE

Sun 4 Aug
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Come and experience an explosive celebration of rhythm and colour woven together by the deep lore of Sarawak's cultural heritage. Brace yourself for a one of a kind theatrical spectacle that transcends the boundaries that define who and why we are. No spoilers!

WELCOME



Message from The Honourable Dato Sri Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah

- Minister of Tourism, Creative Industry and Performing Arts Sarawak
- Minister of Youth, Sports and Entrepreneur Development Sarawak

The WAK movement started in 2017 as an idea to provide a platform for creative communities to come together to celebrate the arts, culture and lifestyles. Boldly undertaken by its founding team with barely any funding support, this inaugural event was an inspirational demonstration of how a simple idea coupled with deep passion and unwavering dedication and effort culminates into wonderful outcomes. WAK has since become an exemplary display of the coming together of public and private sector partners and collaborators to support, fund and make this brilliant umbrella festival concept a major art, culture and lifestyle tourism event in Sarawak each year.

Centred in Kuching city for the past five editions, it is timely for this movement to reach out to affect our other major cities in Sarawak and I am thrilled to deliver this message now to urge creative communities, audiences and enthusiasts in both Sibul and Miri to join in this brilliant celebration of arts, culture and lifestyles. The launch of WAK Sibul and WAK Miri will add to the excitement of this open-access umbrella festival. WAK has unravelled and elevated many creative talents since its inception and I am certain that these satellite festivals in our two other major cities will achieve the same in the years to come.

For the arts and creative industry to grow, we must develop and nurture a strong appreciation and love of the arts amongst our people. There is no better way to do this than to create exciting and unique affordable events for everyone to experience and enjoy and I know that the WAK movement will be an extra boost to achieve this.

I congratulate our two city municipal councils for being so receptive to having these satellite events in your cities. Thank you also to the many private sector partners who have extended their support to these inaugural events. We look forward to your continued partnership contributions in the next editions as well. The WAK concept can only succeed with strong public and private sector collaboration. I urge all creative communities in these central and northern regions of Sarawak to come forth in strength to play a proactive part at these exciting festivals which will add greatly to the arts scene in your respective cities. I also call on everyone, the audience, to come out in droves to support and enjoy the many exciting WAK Sibul and Miri events that will be staged this year as outlined in this calendar programme. Together let us elevate our tourism and creative industry to great heights.

WAK MIRI



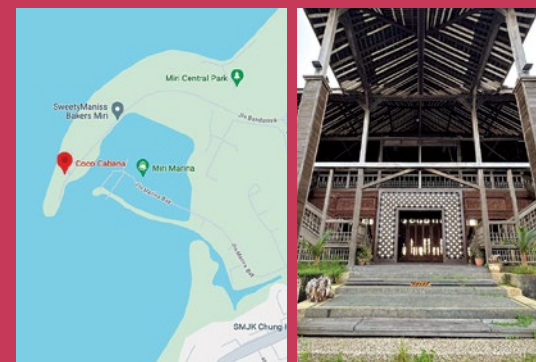
Since its inaugural in 2017, the What About Kuching (WAK) Festival Movement has become an annual celebration that has showcased the boundless hidden creativity inherent in the community. Coming to its 6th edition in 2024, the WAK team with the encouragement of its main sponsor, the Ministry of Tourism, Creative Industry and Performing Arts Sarawak, engaged the Sibul and Miri City Councils with this idea to stage WAK Satellite Festivals at these 2 major cities which received great enthusiasm and support.

These Satellite Festivals are to become starting points of feature calendar events in these respective cities for years to come. It is hoped that the creatives from the many communities will come forth to embrace both the WAK Sibul and WAK Miri Satellite Festivals as their very own. This platform enable talents to stage and showcase their events at not only one, but at the 3 main cities where the WAK Festival Movement happens in Sarawak each year.

EVENT VENUE



The inaugural WAK Miri Satellite festival will feature events happening in 3 different locations. One of which is the legendary Coco Cabana which will be our main festival grounds where most of our events will be staged.



WAK MISSION

To celebrate the arts, culture and lifestyle to a global audience thereby creating greater appreciation and support of these amongst the local community.

OBJECTIVES

- Enhance greater tourism arrivals to benefit the local economy
- Provide platforms for personalities to showcase their different pursuits
- Create awareness, educate and garner a greater appreciation of these pursuits
- Foster regional and international collaborations to elevate local standards

WAKA:

Your Guides to WAK Miri Satellite Festival Magic

Ever wondered who adds that extra dash of charm and assistance to your WAK Miri Festival experience? Say hello to our WAKA - WAK Miri Festival Ambassadors - a group of passionate individuals of all ages who embody the spirit of the festival. They are the friendly faces that make your WAK Miri Festival journey truly unforgettable.

During the festival, you'll find our WAKAs stationed at the festival grounds and other WAK Miri event venues. They are your go-to guides, ready to enhance your festival experience in a multitude of ways:

Merchandise Masters: Looking for festival merchandise to commemorate your visit? WAKAs can help you pick out the perfect keepsakes.

Information Hub: Not sure what's going on where and when? WAKAs are here to provide all the information you need, from event schedules to venue maps.

Event Ushers: They'll make sure you find your way to the right events, venues and seats with ease.

Recommendation Experts: Not sure which events to attend? WAKAs are your festival insiders, offering personalized recommendations based on your interests.

Online Survey: WAKAs will also be engaging with festival-goers to collect valuable feedback through the WAK Miri Festival online survey. Your input matters, and our WAKAs are here to make sure your voice is heard!

These dedicated WAKAs are the heart and soul of the WAK Miri Festival, ensuring you have the best experience possible.

WAKA - WAK Ambassadors: Your festival guides, your friends, and your keys to unlocking the magic of WAK Miri Festival



Don't Miss Out On These UPCOMING EVENTS

WAK Festival 2024
Kuching 1 - 31 October



THANK YOU

For Supporting Your Community

A Great BIG High 5 to each and everyone of you for helping to make this happen and welcoming the WAK Festival into your wonderful city.

Thank you for sharing your stories and taking the time to hear the stories of others. Most of all thank you for being open to write a story together. Let's make many more memories together. See you in 2025

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CHECK OUT OUR PARTNER FESTIVAL



A dynamic celebration of contemporary arts that brings together artists from around the globe, to showcase their creativity and skills for 4 days in Miri City.

EXPERIENCE "THE GALLERY"

Date: Thu 1 Aug - Sun 4 Aug
Time: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Location: Pullman Hotel Lobby
Description: Check out their expert talk sessions on the role of art in mental health

MIRI ARTS FESTIVAL - ART MARKET

Date: Thu 1 Aug - Sun 4 Aug
Time: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Location: Miri Times Square at Victoria Plaza

MIRI ARTS FESTIVAL EVENING GALA

Date: Sat 3 Aug
Time: 6:00 PM onwards
Location: Pullman Hotel
Ticket: RM10,000, RM20,000 & RM30,000
Available via <http://t2u.asia/e/36758>
Description: Showcases featuring Annuar Zain, Douglas Lim (Comedian), Nisa Addina (Violinist), Mahsurishark (Artist)

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