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JAZZY WEEKEND AT HARD ROCK HOTEL PENANG

Hard Rock Hotel Penang Participates in the 6th Series of the Penang Island Jazz Festival

Hard Rock Hotel Penang is participating in the 6th Series of the Penang Island Jazz Festival (PIJF). The PIJF's Fringe Stage (or known as Rock Stage) is taking place at the hotel's poolside from 4 till 5 December 2009. Get ready for electrifying performances by renowned acts in the local jazz scene such as Tokyo Blue, Oceans of Fire, High Society and more.

In addition to the PIJF's scheduled line-up, Hard Rock Hotel Penang is showcasing two special jazz performers to perform at the hotel on the 5 and 6 December 2009 in conjunction of the festival.

MARINA XAVIER

A fascinating and exotic entertainer, Marina Xavier is arguably one of South East Asia's most talented vocalists. Marina was born and blossomed in multi-racial Singapore. Combining natural gifts of charm and rhythm with an infectious outgoing stage personality, the sultry excitement of her voice stays with listeners long after the show has ended.

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This Pop/Soul sensation created massive waves all over South East Asia and the Paris Jazz & Pop scene. To date, she has 5 solo albums and on countless compilations and collaborations with major artistes.

www.marinaxavier.com

Featuring:

Yap Shu Mei on violin

Duncan James McKee on piano

JOSE THOMAS

Legendary and remarkable guitar player, Jose Thomas' influence has been pivotal in development of the Malaysian Jazz scene. He began his career in the early seventies and toured with one of the first Pop/Rock groups in the country, the "Ages" to Taiwan, Hong Kong and South Korea back in the 70's and 80's.

A veteran in this field, Jose is known as a music producer, music arranger and has produced several albums like AsiaBeat, Micheal Veerapen "Pictures".

He formed "GrooveUnction" two years ago and the band has performed in many places like Sunrise Jazz Festival in Mont Kiara. He has graced many international jazz shows in Hong Kong, Perth, Jakarta and the Bangkok Jazz Festival with jazz artistes such as Aubrey Suwito, Andy Peterson, Lewis Pragasm and more.



JAZZY WEEKEND

Scheduled Performances at Hard Rock Hotel Penang

4-DECEMBER 2009

Venue: Rock Stage (Poolside)

3.00pm - 3.30pm : High Society
3.45pm - 4.15pm : Tokyo Blue
4.30pm - 5.00pm : Oceans of Fire

5-DECEMBER 2009

Venue: Rock Stage (Poolside)

3.00pm - 3.30pm : Ray Cheong Trio
3.45pm - 4.15pm : Oceans of Fire
4.30pm - 5.00pm : WGF & RAY
9.00pm - 11.00pm : Marina Xavier

6-DECEMBER 2009

Venue: Hard Rock Cafe

8.00pm - 10.00pm : Jose Thomas

**** ENTRANCE IS FREE**

**** 2 hours of free flow beer on 5 December 2009, 9.00pm - 11.00pm at RM130++ per person**

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