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Palace Of Culture (Istana Budaya)

The **Istana Budaya or The Palace of Culture** (1999) is Malaysia's main venue for all types of theatre including musical theatre, operetta, classical concert and opera from local and international performances.

Istana Budaya is aimed **to raise the standard of the performing arts**, to develop artistic excellence in theatre, to popularize high quality theatre productions, and to develop a higher sense of artistic appreciation.

This prominent landmark is on the top ten list of most sophisticated theatres in the world, as it is built with state-of-the-art stage equipment and a theatre's floor area of 21,000 m² as part of the 54,400 m² cultural complex. The building represents the country and its culture in many ways. The traditional Malay house is reflected in the overall design of the building, whose roof resembles a traditional floral and leaf arrangement.

Istana Budaya is also the **residence of the National Theatre Company** and the **National Symphony Orchestra**.

VISION

To be a reputable stage performing act in Malaysia with a world-class status.

MISSION

Developing an artistic excellence in stage performing art.

OBJECTIVE

- To create a high quality of art manifestation in dance, performing art and music in line that suitable with 1 Malaysia aspiration.
- To enhance an artistic excellence in performing art which is respectable and successful at Istana Budaya.
- To increase people participation in 1 Malaysia concept. To be an expert to artist in capability to produce national art creativity

ISTANA BUDAYA FUNCTION

- To plan and implement quality performance in theatre, dance and music at national and international level.
- To increase quantity of excellent and ideal show in Malaysia
- To plan and implement effective marketing strategy through communication technology for betterment of people.
- To provide advisory service and increase stage performing art expertise

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