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MANDARIN GRILL + BAR PARTNERS WITH THE SOVEREIGN ART FOUNDATION TO PRESENT “ART OF HOPE”

An Art Exhibition and Artful Dining that Gives Back

HONG KONG, 13 June 2022 – In partnership with non-profit organisation [The Sovereign Art Foundation](#), [Mandarin Oriental, Hong Kong](#) presents the “Art of Hope” Exhibition along with artistic dishes at [Mandarin Grill + Bar](#). From 15 June to 31 July 2022, the Michelin-starred restaurant will showcase notable works by contemporary artists across Asia and a selection of art-inspired dishes have been created where part of the proceeds will be donated to the charity.

The Sovereign Art Foundation is a charitable organisation that was founded in 2003 to recognise, support and promote contemporary artists across Asia-Pacific and to bring the proven benefits of expressive arts to disadvantaged children. This year’s exhibition will transform the restaurant into an art gallery, displaying 13 works from up-and-coming artists from Asia including Singapore, Vietnam, Thailand and Japan. Every art piece on display will be available for sale where part of the proceeds will be donated to the Foundation’s charitable programmes, while the remaining amount will go to the artists’ themselves.

In addition to the “Art of Hope” exhibition, Mandarin Grill + Bar presents an exclusive main dish and dessert that take after two specific works of art. “Collapsing Evolving 2”, created by Singaporean artist Nandita Mukand, symbolises the increasingly tenuous relationship between nature and society. Chef de Cuisine Simon Guthridge reimaged this delicate ecosystem by creating a Zucchini Tagliatelle made with green and yellow zucchini mixed with parmesan cream and a duck egg yolk that offers complexity and richness. Guests can opt to add 8g of Royal Cristal Caviar for HKD198* to elevate the dish.

The dessert is an interpretation of “What Will You Leave Behind?” by Thai artist Nino Sarabutra which represents the passing of time and the fine balance of mortality and life. Comprised of a myriad of skulls, the dessert takes a similar shape made from chocolate and filled with vanilla ice cream, atop caramel chocolate cream with mandarin orange and

raspberry, while the black activated charcoal sauce across the plate symbolises the movement and speed of life.

To support this meaningful collaboration, HKD100 from each dish sold will be donated to The Sovereign Art Foundation. In addition, handcrafted coasters that showcase drawings from children who partake in their therapeutic arts programme will also be on sale priced at HKD200 per set, all of which will go to the non-profit organisation.

For more information, please visit: <https://www.sovereignartfoundation.com/art-of-hope-exhibition/>. For reservations, please call +852 2825 4004 or email mohkg-grill@mohg.com.

*Prices are subject to a 10% service charge.

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“Art of Hope” Exhibition at
Mandarin Grill + Bar



“Art of Hope” Dish
Zucchini Tagliatelle



“Art of Hope” Dessert
“What Will You Leave Behind?”

About The Sovereign Art Foundation

The Sovereign Art Foundation (SAF) is a charitable organisation that was founded in 2003 with a well-defined twin focus: to recognise the growing wealth of contemporary art talent in Asia and bring the proven benefits of expressive arts to disadvantaged children. In the same year, SAF launched The Sovereign Asian Art Prize, now recognised as the most established and prestigious annual art award in Asia-Pacific. The Prize increases the international exposure of artists in the region, whilst raising funds by auctioning shortlisted artworks and sharing proceeds equally between the participating artists and SAF. SAF uses these proceeds to fund programmes that support disadvantaged children using expressive arts. This model has so far raised over US\$10 million for artists and charities worldwide. In 2013, SAF launched Make It Better (MIB), an initiative that supports children from low-income backgrounds and with special educational needs in Hong Kong. MIB works in local schools and community centres to offer children a programme of expressive arts workshops designed to build self-esteem, confidence, self-awareness and interpersonal skills. SAF also supports teachers, social workers and caregivers of these children by introducing them to the therapeutic benefits of art.

About Mandarin Oriental, Hong Kong

The iconic [Mandarin Oriental, Hong Kong](#) is the epitome of contemporary luxury combined with Oriental heritage. Having delighted guests with award-winning services and impressive facilities for over 58 years, it is a much-loved address for those seeking an exclusive sanctuary in the heart of the city. The hotel’s spacious [rooms and suites](#) offer magnificent views of the



renowned Victoria Harbour and the city's skyline. A collection of nine outstanding [restaurants and bars](#), including two that hold Michelin Star status, a luxurious [club lounge](#), a Shanghainese-inspired [holistic spa](#), an indoor pool and a state-of-the-art fitness centre, make Mandarin Oriental, Hong Kong the quintessential “home away from home” for discerning leisure and business travellers alike.

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