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BERJAYA TEENSTAR CHALLENGE 2018 GRAND FINALS

Kuala Lumpur, 5 August 2018 – Today marks the culmination of the Berjaya TeenStar Challenge 2018 (“BTSC 2018”) with its grand finale held at Damansara Performing Arts Centre. A total of 157 finalists will be vying for the top 3 spots in solo singing, cultural dancing and modern dancing respectively. Five Special Awards will also be given to recognize the Best in Dancing, Creativity and Showmanship. The Champion Team trophy will be awarded to the team with the highest combined total score from all its team members.

Launched in January 2018, BTSC 2018 had reached out to approximately 150 secondary schools in Kuala Lumpur, Selangor, Putrajaya, Negeri Sembilan and Melaka with more 10,000 students being engaged through the roadshows and zone auditions held in the respective states. Prior to the preliminaries held on 30 June and 1 July 2018, coaching workshops were conducted to hone the performing skills of the shortlisted participants with insights and pointers given by the professional coaches. A total of 516 teen star hopefuls qualified for the preliminaries held on 30 June and 1 July 2018. The finalists were then split into 4 teams representing Berjaya Starbucks Coffee Company (Team Starbucks), Kenny Rogers ROASTERS (Team KRR), Cosway (M) Sdn Bhd (Team Cosway) and Berjaya University College (Team Berjaya UC). Each team consists of 4 solo singers and 4 performing troupes each for modern dancing and cultural dancing. The panel of judges include local performing artists Mohd Yunus Ismail, Suhaili Michelin and Juliza Adzlihan as well as the Deputy Director, Unit Bakat Seni, Division of Arts & Co-curriculum, Ministry of Education Malaysia, Nor Hapipah Hj. Md Shah.

Since its inception in 2016, the competition has been receiving a good level of interest from secondary school students nationwide with participants from as far as Sarawak being shortlisted for the preliminaries and grand finals. The competition is more than just an opportunity for young performers to hone their creative talents. It fosters a sense of accomplishment and responsibility, which in turn, contribute to their personal development.

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This year's prizes are worth more than RM50,000 in cash and in kind. The prizes are co-sponsored by the key partners ie. Berjaya Starbucks Coffee Company, Kenny Rogers Roasters, Cosway (M) Sdn Bhd and Berjaya University College, as well as the supporting partners ie. Wendy's and Borders. The competition was also supported by Uncube Studio; Dwi Emas International School, Shah Alam; Sri Emas International School, Petaling Jaya and Taylor's International School, Puchong.

"We are delighted and proud to have discovered so many talented teenagers. It is our sincere hope that this competition has enabled many students to gain valuable skills and experience that will further develop their passion in the area of performing arts. We believe that their participation in performing arts will help in developing their self-esteem and self-confidence as well as building the much needed leadership skills for these teenagers to grow into successful adults.," said Shirley Quah, Senior Manager of Group Corporate Communications of Berjaya Corporation Berhad.

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About Berjaya Youth ("B.Youth")

Berjaya Youth ("B.Youth") is a platform created by Berjaya Corporation Berhad specifically for the youth community of Malaysia and it aims to enable Malaysian youths to make a difference in our community in respect of 4 key pillars – inspiration, creativity, eco and animal. Through Berjaya Youth, young people are given the opportunities to participate in various exciting projects which nurture them in the areas of leadership, creativity, proactivity, volunteerism, positive thinking and good values.

Other than the Berjaya TeenStar Challenge 2018, some of the past exciting projects are as below:

- Paint My Favourite Animal Social Media Contest 2017
- TEDxYouth@KL 2013 – 2017 (as an Ideas Partner)
- Berjaya TeenStar Challenge 2016 & 2017
- Finding Life's Passion - A Talk by Dr. Jane Goodall 2016
- Reasons For Hope – A Talk by Dr. Jane Goodall 2015
- Stop Hunger Now Meal Packing Event 2014 – 2016
- Wild About Arts! An Awareness Campaign of Endangered Malaysian Wildlife 2015 – 2016
- EPIC Homes Build Project 2014 – 2015
- It's Pawssible Campaign 2013 - 2014 (an animal welfare project)

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- Eco Tioman Island Clean-Up Day 2013
- Berjaya Youth Short Film Competitions 2011 – 2015

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Berjaya TeenStar Challenge 2018 Winners List**Modern Dancing**

Champion	Joshua & Saibya Sunway International School (Team Berjaya UC)	1. Saibya Thialan 2. Joshua Lim Heng Xu
1st runner-up	Freaky Girls SMK Convent Bukit Nanas (Team KRR)	1. Nurfiqa Qaisara Binti Faisal 2. Siti Fasiha Ferlinda Binti Hasmar Honiz 3. Martha Louvy Kennedy
2nd runner-up	Fulemak Boys Sirius Scholar (Team Starbucks)	1. Ethan Wong Kin Han 2. Jeremy Tan Jien Wei

Solo Singing

Champion	Siti Erinshahira Binti Jamalludin, SMK (P) Methodist Melaka (Team Starbucks)
1st runner-up	Nisha Nabilla Binti Nor Azlan, Sekolah Seni Malaysia Kuala Lumpur (Team Cosway)
2nd runner-up	Roxanne Lee Kah Yean, Lodge International School (Team Cosway)

Cultural Dancing

Champion	Sinar Tari SMK Seksyen 9 Shah Alam (Team Starbucks)	1. Muhammad Danial Luqman Geoffrey Bin Mohd Eezani Geoffrey 2. Muhammad Afiq Bin Mohd Fadzil 3. Mohamad Fiaz Iqmal Bin Mohtar 4. Alisya Basree Binti Hanif Basree 5. Intan Nuramira Erriana Binti Amirul 6. Nurin Nabilah Binti Hidayatulsalihin
1st runner-up	Astari Sekolah Sultan Alam Shah (Team Berjaya UC)	1. Wan Danish Isyraf Bin W Mohd Suhaimi 2. Muhammad Irsyad Bin Jaafri 3. Hafizuddin Eiman Bin Ikmal Hisham 4. Abdul Hasif Aqil Bin Abdul Hadi 5. Hanif Abdul Aziz Bin Mohd Nordin
2nd runner-up	Danzoners SMJK Chung Hwa Klang (Team Starbucks)	1. Soon Xin Ying 2. Vivian Tan Chui Ling 3. Ashley Ng Yu Rui 4. Chen Yi Leng 5. Ong Shye Er 6. Tan Yeun Er

Best Creativity	Sinar Tari SMK Seksyen 9 Shah Alam (Team Starbucks)	1. Muhammad Danial Luqman Geoffrey Bin Mohd Eezani Geoffrey 2. Muhammad Afiq Bin Mohd Fadzil 3. Mohamad Fiaz Iqmal Bin Mohtar 4. Alisya Basree Binti Hanif Basree 5. Intan Nuramira Erriana Binti Amirul 6. Nurin Nabilah Binti Hidayatulsalihin
Best Dancer Award (Modern Dancing)		Jeremy Tan Jien Wei Sirius Scholar (Team Starbucks)
Best Dancer Award (Cultural Dancing)		Muhamad Airul Affizan Bin Abdullah SMK Seremban 2 (Team Berjaya UC)
Berjaya TeenStar Of The Year (Male)		Joshua Lim Heng Xu Sunway International School (Team Berjaya UC)
Berjaya TeenStar Of The Year (Female)		Siti Erinshahira Binti Jamalludin SMK (P) Methodist Melaka (Team Starbucks)
Champion Team		Team Cosway