

Press Release

SJM Presents “Legacy of Light and Craft” Lantern Art Exhibition

A Golden Week Celebration of Global Gastronomy and Exclusive Privileges

(Macau, 16 September 2026) For the fifth consecutive year, SJM Resorts, S.A. has joined forces with the Macau Artist Society to present the lantern art exhibition, which opened today at Grand Lisboa Palace Resort Macau. Under the theme “Legacy of Light and Craft,” four local Macau artists have created bespoke installations that bring traditional craftsmanship into dialogue with contemporary lantern design. The works invite residents and visitors to explore Macau’s cultural threads and the city’s festive warmth. The exhibition is free of charge and runs until 15 November. Coinciding with the Mid-Autumn Festival and National Day holidays, SJM will also present the “Global Spicy Carnival” and a host of exciting privileges, inviting guests to a celebration that blends traditional aesthetics, global cuisine, shopping, and entertainment.

The kick-off ceremony was held at Jardim Secreto at Grand Lisboa Palace and officiated by Ms. Jennifer Si Tou, Deputy Director of the Macao Government Tourism Office; Ms. Daisy Ho, Managing Director of SJM; Mr. Ho Hong Pan, Head of the Department of Performing Arts Development of the Cultural Affairs Bureau of the Macao SAR Government; and Mr. Lok Hei, President of the Macau Artist Society. Ahead of the ceremony, SJM also hosted an Artist Sharing Session to deepen young people’s appreciation of traditional craft. The four participating artists spoke with over 100 local university students about their creative processes and the ways tradition informs their work, inspiring a new generation to understand and carry Chinese culture forward.

Ms. Daisy Ho, Managing Director of SJM, said, “Lantern art is deeply rooted in Chinese history and culture, with enduring associations of reunion and celebration. SJM is committed to preserving this heritage. Through collaboration with artists across disciplines, we seek to give time-honoured craftsmanship innovative relevance and allow it to flourish in a contemporary context. We also hope to support Macau’s creative industries, strengthen the synergies of ‘Tourism + Culture,’ and reinforce Macau’s role as ‘a base for exchange and cooperation where Chinese culture is the mainstream and diverse cultures coexist,’ enriching cultural tourism offerings for Macau.”

The four installations recast familiar festive forms through a contemporary lens: papercutting, cloth-dyed motifs, cloisonné, and ancient music.

- **“Knight’s Shadow”:** Artist Sit Ka Kit takes the chess knight as his point of departure, interlacing geometric lines with classical openwork to create a richly layered interplay of light and shadow.
- **“Brocade Scroll”:** Artist Jovinia António brings traditional cloth-dyed motifs together with contemporary print patterns, capturing the moment fabric lifts in the wind and allowing past and present to unfold in a modern composition.

- **“Shared Moon”**: Felipe Wong, an artist of multicultural background, combines cloisonné with motifs inspired by Costa Rican festival oxcarts. Vivid layers of colour convey the shared moon’s symbolism of reunion.
- **“Lotus Realm”**: Artist Leong Sin Teng brings ancient music together with responsive sensor technology, giving the lotus motif a vivid contemporary presence.

Extending the experience beyond the installations, SJM is presenting a programme of activities throughout the exhibition:

Lantern Workshops: GLP Arte will host the “Costa Rican Painted Lantern Workshop” on 19 September and the “Intangible Cultural Heritage Paper-cut Lantern Workshop” on 26 September, inviting participants to create their own festive lantern pieces. Admission is MOP125 per participant. Guests who follow the official Grand Lisboa Palace Facebook page and complete the designated tasks may win complimentary places for the 26 September session.

Legacy of Light and Craft Riddle Challenge: From 24 September to 7 October, visitors can take part in traditional lantern riddles in the Jardim Secreto exhibition area. Guests who complete the designated challenges may redeem SJM’s mascot “Sam the Rooster” souvenirs and a range of discount vouchers.

The **Lantern Sketching Day at Grand Lisboa Palace & Dining Package** will be available for purchase from 10 October. The package includes participation in a sketching activity co-hosted by SJM and the Macau Artist Society on 24 October, where guests can capture the resort’s beautiful landscape and lantern installations through art. The experience also includes a guided lantern tour, on-site sketching guidance from artists, and an art materials kit. Guests can also enjoy a selected set menu for two at Hua Ting, Bamboo Hut, or EL&N. Priced at MOP300+ for two people, the package is available in limited quantities on a first-come, first-served basis.

The exhibition forms part of SJM’s wider programme for the Mid-Autumn Festival and National Day Golden Week. A total of 21 restaurants across Grand Lisboa Palace, Grand Lisboa Macau, JAI ALAI Oceanus and L’Arc Macau are presenting the “Global Spicy Carnival,” with more than 50 dishes showcasing 10 chilli varieties from around the world. Guests can collect stamps in a “Chilli Discovery Passport” to redeem dining vouchers and enter lucky draws, while a selection of speciality chilli sauces created by five Grand Lisboa Palace restaurants will also be available.

From 24 September to 11 October, guests who spend a cumulative amount at designated dining outlets, retail stores, the hair salon, spas and entertainment facilities at Grand Lisboa Palace can redeem shopping vouchers. Guests shopping at selected jewellery and gold outlets can also enjoy a rebate of up to 6%. From 1 to 11 October, guests may also enter a lucky draw for a chance to win fabulous prizes worth more than MOP200,000 in total. Starting from 24 September, SJM Supreme Card members who dine at designated restaurants can earn Supreme Points, redeemable for dining privileges. Together, these offers bring art, global flavours, and shopping rewards to the festive holiday period.

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Dates: Now to 15 November 2026

Venue: Jardim Secreto, East Lobby and Level 1 shopping mall, Grand Lisboa Palace Resort Macau

Admission: Free of charge

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Officiating guests and participating artists gather at the kick-off ceremony of SJM Presents “Legacy of Light and Craft” Lantern Art Exhibition.



Created by artist Sit Ka Kit, “Knight’s Shadow” combines papercutting openwork with geometric lines to create a refined interplay of light and shadow.



Designed by artist Jovinia António, “Brocade Scroll” weaves cloth-dyed motifs and printed patterns into a contemporary visual language.



Felipe Wong’s “Shared Moon” combines Chinese cloisonné craftsmanship with motifs inspired by Costa Rican festival oxcarts.



Created by artist Leong Sin Teng, the immersive “Lotus Realm” brings ancient music together with responsive sensor technology, giving the lotus motif a vivid contemporary presence.