

SARAWAKIANS AND THE GLOBAL COMMUNITY CELEBRATES THE BESTOWMENT OF TAIWAN'S CHENG REXEN AND KOREA'S KIM NAM JOO

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KUCHING, SARAWAK, MALAYSIA, January 14, 2019 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Tonight, Sarawakians and the global community witnessed Cheng Rexen and Kim Nam Joo awarded the Best Actor in a Leading Role and Best Actress in a Leading Role awards respectively live at the 23rd Asian Television Awards held at Borneo Convention Centre Kuching (BCCK), Sarawak. The Taiwanese actor received the award for his performance in Schrodinger's Cat while the Korean actress received the award for her performance as Go Hye-ran in Misty. The 23rd Asian Television Awards (ATA) comprises of over 40 categories and represents the industry's foremost recognition to independent production houses in Asia. At the Live Award Show tonight, the remaining 14 out of 42 awards categories were up for grabs and the winner was chosen by an expert panel of over 50 judges from across the region. The judges



SF9 with YB Datuk Lee Kim Shin, Assistant Minister of Tourism, Arts and Culture Sarawak; Hii Chang Kee, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture, Youth and Sports Sarawak and Wife; Adam Ham, PR & Publicity Director of Asian Televi

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were hand-picked based on their expertise and tremendous experience in local and international entertainment scene.

Jirayu Tantrakul (Thailand) received the Best Actor in a Supporting Role for his performance in KOM FAEK (The Lost Art) while Sinjai Plengpanich (Thailand) received the Best Actress in a Supporting Role for her performance in SriAyodhaya. Other notable award recipients are Something In The Rain (Korea) for the Best Drama Series; Kurara: The Dazzling Life of Hokusai's Daughter (Japan) for Best Single Drama or Telemovie Programme; JTBC (Korea) for Cable & Satellite Network of the Year and Formosa Television (Taiwan) for Terrestrial Broadcaster of the Year.

ATA is holding their 23rd edition in Kuching, Sarawak in support of “[Visit Sarawak 2019](#)” campaign organized by the Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture, Youth and Sports of Sarawak. “The ATA was a huge success and I am proud to be a part this prestige's event. We hope that all the visitors of Sarawak had an amazing night and been able to discover Sarawak's natural beauty. I am excited for the public concert organized by my ministry right here at Borneo Convention Centre Kuching

(BCKK) on the 13th January 21." said Datuk Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah, Minister of Tourism, Arts, Culture, Youth and Sports Sarawak.

Meanwhile, Chairman of ATV Awards Sdn Bhd, Lee Keen Whye said, "I am so proud of all the local and foreign attendees and the global community for their participation and support in the event. The 23rd Asian Television Awards was a huge success. I truly feel that we have accomplished our goals and hope to further expand our reach. I hope that we will be able to top this year's benchmark next year in 2020."

Tonight, more than 50 Top Asian Celebrities had attended the 23rd Asian Television Awards Live Show. Top Asian Celebrities that appeared consist of Derek Chun, James Kumar, Ase Wang, Cheng Rexen, Maylada Susri, Kim Nam Joo, Maneerat Kum-Uan, Hu Gua, Ah Xiang, Louis Scott, Ray Macdonald, Jirayu Tantrakul, Hoang Yen Shibi and many more. The Live Award Show also had a remarkable line-up of Top Asian Celebrities that performed whom are SF9, Qu Wanting, Via Vallen, Alvin Chong, Gary Valenciano, Kiana Valenciano and Winnie K to name a few.

Past participants of ATA include more than 200 channels across Asia including KBS, NHK, HBO, CNN, Bloomberg, BBC, AL-JAZEERA, TV18, Discovery Networks, Imagine Group, Viacom International Media Networks, Astro, Media Prima, PT Televisi Indonesia, Mediacorp, CGTN, PCCW, Formosa, ABS-CBN, BBTB, SMG and many others. Please follow @Asiantvawards for latest update and information!

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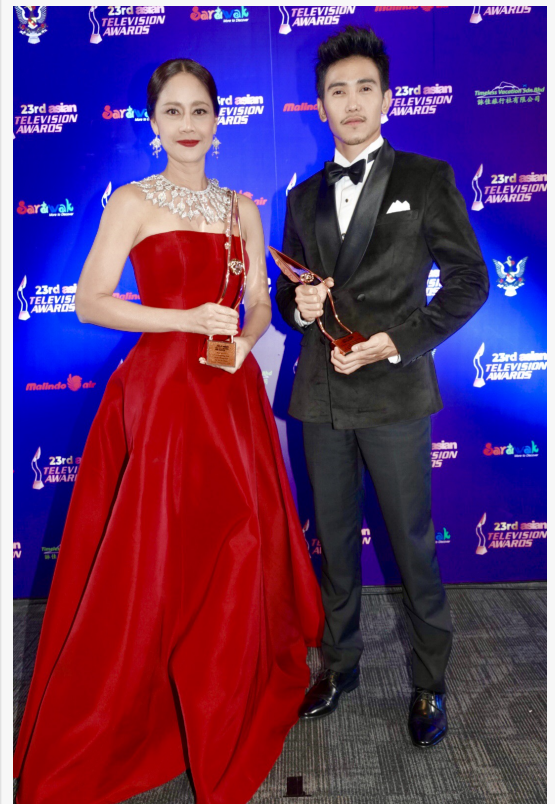
About Asian Television Awards (ATA)

Launched in 1996, Asian Television Awards is the Asian TV industry's most significant and celebrated event, recognising excellence in programming, production and performance. The Awards comprise over 40 categories and represent the industry's foremost recognition to independent production houses in Asia.

The 23rd Asian Television Awards is organized by ATV Awards Sdn Bhd with the support of the Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture, Youth and Sports of Sarawak. The Awards are also supported by talent partners Beam Artistes and Gushcloud with Malindo as Official Airline Partner, Timeless Vacation as Official Travel Agent and the Borneo Convention Centre as Official Venue Partner. The Awards ceremony can be viewed live and/or delayed on iFlix, Bangkok TV, Today TV Vietnam, Channel O Indonesia, Citra Entertainment, Formosa TV, ViuTV, Arirang, ABS-CBN, Astro and Jiangsu Satellite International. The Awards is also available live on Facebook via @Asiantvawards. For the full list of the winner, [click here](#).



Kim Nam Joo, Winner of ATA Best Actress in a Leading Role



Sinjai Plengpanich, Winner ATA Best Actress in a Supporting Role; Jirayu Tantrakul, Winner ATA Best Actor in a Supporting Role

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