

Jazz With A HEART



SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL PENANG

Soroptimist International, "A Global Voice for Women", founded in 1921 in the United States of America is the world's largest service organization for business and professional women with more than 3000 clubs spreading around 125 countries. The name "Soroptimist" is derived from Latin, "soror" & "optima", and is best interpreted as "**women giving of their best**".

There are six adopted programmes of service areas which Soroptimists International (SI) are committed to work on and improve. They are:

- 1) Economic and Social Development
- 2) Education
- 3) Environment
- 4) Health
- 5) Human Rights / Status of Women
- 6) International Goodwill and Understanding.

SI members from every corner of the globe seek to improve the quality of life, especially for women and children. This is done through local, national and international projects, programmes and interventions at all decision making levels. SI is not political, partisan, religious or sectarian. The membership reflects all races, creeds, colors, systems of political government and levels of Development.

In Malaysia there are 13 clubs. Soroptimist International Penang (SIP) was chartered in 1996 and currently carries the memberships of 15 committed ladies who have been working tirelessly not only to advance the status of underprivileged women and children, but also to bring about a cleaner Penang.

SI-Penang aims to further expand on the 6 adopted service programmes mentioned above and is committed to continue its activities for the local community and fund-raising efforts for the less fortunate. SIP takes this opportunity to thank its many loyal friends who are always generous with help and good support for its various projects.

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!



PENANG ISLAND JAZZ FESTIVAL 2008 - "Jazz With A HEART CHARITY GALA DINNER"

As part of SIP's fundraising efforts for the year, we will be co-hosting with **The Capricorn Connection**, Organiser of the Penang Island Jazz Festival 2008 the "**Jazz With A HEART Charity Gala Dinner**" on 5th December 2008 at the **Grand Ballroom of the Bayview Beach Resort, Batu Ferringhi, Penang**.

The Charity Dinner is being organized in conjunction with the Penang Island Jazz Festival 2008 which will be held in Penang from the 4th to 7th December 2008. Charity being one of the key areas of the Festival, this Charity Dinner will be hosted in aid of providing for the less fortunate & underprivileged women & children. The *programme for the Gala Dinner is as follows:

7.00 p.m.	Arrival of guests
7.50 p.m.	Arrival of Guest of Honour
8.00 p.m.	Welcoming Speech by Organising Chairman
8.10 p.m.	Opening Speech by Guest of Honour
8.20 p.m.	Dinner is served
8.45 p.m.	Performance by The Island Jazz Connection
9.30 p.m.	Performance by Xiong and Badar
10.15 p.m.	Performance by Denise Mininfield (USA)
11.00 p.m.	Thank You and Goodnight

** Raffles draw will be in held throughout the nights. Attractive prizes are in store! Programme is subject to change*

Entertainment for the night will be provided by:

The Island Jazz Connection



The Island Jazz Connection is a combination of "old" and "young" Penang Born Jazz musicians. Led by Berklee Graduate, Wilson Quah, the group plays a variety of musical styles ranging from Mainstream to Fusion with a touch of the old Rhythm & Blues Classics.

Xiong and Badar



Guitarist / Vocalist, who goes by the Stage Name of "Xiong" (the name he was known as when he spent a year in Brazil), has performed in many Music Festivals with various groups throughout the Region. Singing in Portuguese with a Latin American style of samba and bossanova rhythms, his style of music has been described as "mellow, feel good and laid back". Xiong Gi will be backed by Badar on percussion.

Denise Mininfield (USA)



With a Musical Style best described as a combination of Jazz, Soul, Funk and Rhythm & Blues, Denise Mininfield is a "livewire" on stage. She has performed in many countries all over Asia and has had the pleasure of performing with some of the "Greats" such as Prince, The Whispers, Shelia E and Rosie Graines in the Musical Arena throughout her musical career. Denise will be back by Andy Peterson on Bass, Gigi on Guitar, Justin Lim on keyboard and John Thomas on Drums.



In addition to the entertainment, we will also be staging a **Raffle Draw** to raise funds for our designated charity.

The net proceeds collected from this Event will directly benefit **Persatuan Kebajikan Shammah, Butterworth, Penang (Shammah Home)**. **Shammah Home** is a Home for abandoned children and children whose parents are drug addicts. It is run by a couple, Steven and Josephine from Butterworth. They are both Catholics. They have 14 children at the Home and most of them are schooling kids. Their aim is to keep these kids off the streets and provide them with proper care and education. Due to lack of funds they can't afford to keep more children. They largely depend on charities and Steven's income as they do not get any support from the Government. The net proceeds from this Dinner will be used by the Home to pay for children transport, tuition, house rent and purchasing groceries.

Tickets for the Charity Dinner is priced at RM120 per ticket or RM1,200 per table of 10 pax. Dinner will be 8-course Chinese Dinner.

Tickets can be purchased from the following:

- Soroptimist International Penang**
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- TicketPro Ticketing Hotline** at 03 7880 7999 or visit www.ticketpro.com.my