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28th Février celebrated soft launch of new gallery space

Singapore, 6 November 2013 – The urban art gallery *28th Février* celebrated its reopening in a British officer's mansion on Kay Siang Road. Gallery director Dominic Khoo inaugurated the new location during an exclusive event with his close friends and colleagues on November 5, 2013.

Around 200 invited guests saw the gallery's collection of paintings, sculptures and furniture pieces from all over the world. Being the only gallery in Southeast Asia that focuses on urban art, *28th Février* attracted a vibrant crowd from Singapore's media and art scene. Mingling in four linked rooms, the visitors could see both upcoming and world-famous artists as well as Dominic Khoo's award-winning photography.

"We want to show inspiring art pieces that have their own story." said Khoo during his welcoming speech, referring to the artist's enormous work effort and his intentions. "This is a creative place where you can feel our affinity for the unusual."

The central gathering point was the living room, where visitors mingled and relaxed in an elegantly arranged seating area. Listening to funky jazz, they had a view over paintings by "Sticker Lady" Samantha Lo, as well as Khoo's own portraits of supermodel Gisele Bundchen and actress Cate Blanchett. The guests were most fascinated by the works of French graffiti artist Kongo and his design for luxury fashion brand *Hermès*. Further outstanding pieces were showcased on giant canvases in the dining area.

In the private greenery behind the large British officer's mansion was a large light installation, displaying the word *Oozi*. Dominic Khoo and his partners named the 8,000 sq.ft. space *Oozi*, hinting at the Chinese expression for "house". *Oozi* also functions as a clubhouse for *The Watch Fund* and can be rented for private events.

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