

LASVIT

THE CHILDREN OF INDONESIA CAN LOOK FORWARD TO BRAND NEW SCHOOLS. LASVIT HELPED TO RAISE FOR THE HAPPY HEARTS FOUNDATION ALMOST 52 THOUSAND USD.

A total of 26,768 USD was raised for the Charity Classical Music Soirée, a charity dinner which took place on November 7th at the Four Seasons Hotel in Jakarta. The glass and design company LASVIT joined forces with the Happy Hearts Indonesia foundation of the Czech top-model Petra Němcová, and together they resolved to build schools for children who come from areas stricken by natural disasters. LASVIT contributed 25 thousand USD to the foundation and also gave glassware for the auction. VIP event, where the glassware was auctioned, was organized by LASVIT in cooperation with Indonesia's leading furniture maker BIKA living.

More than 120 guests took part in the philanthropic night which took place in one of the most interesting hotels in Jakarta, and the event was also joined by the Czech ambassador in Indonesia, Mr. Ivan Hotěk. The evening was topped off by a concert of the world-renowned Czech violinist Jaroslav Svěcený and guitarist Miloslav Klaus.

“In LASVIT, we want to inspire and bring light and hope to the world. The life of Indonesian children was stricken by a natural catastrophe and things like access to health care, which we take for granted, have become a privilege for them. We have decided to team up for this wonderful work with the Happy Hearts Indonesia Foundation, and help with building one of their schools. We believe that we can bring a bit of light to Indonesian children,” said LASVIT's regional director Lukáš Černý about the charity event.

Even before the event, the Czech company, which has been devoted to design and creating custom-made lighting installations for luxury residencies, hotels and shopping malls, has contributed to the Happy Hearts Indonesia Foundation with a sum of 25 thousand USD.

“It is a beautiful collaborative fundraising. We are humbled by the amount of support we have got through this event. Having LASVIT and BIKA Living as our partners have been a remarkable experience in the history of our fundraising efforts. Together, we have bridged design, art, and charity.” said Sylvia Beiwinkler, the CEO of Happy Hearts Indonesia.

LASVIT provided a number of their lights, as well as decorative glass and glassware, to the auction, and four items from the **Neverending Glory** collection, made and designed by **Jan Plecháč and Henry Wielgus**, were also auctioned off. These large glass lights find their inspiration in the chandeliers of world-famous concert halls, like the Metropolitan Opera in New York City, or the National Theater in Prague. Another lot which was auctioned were pendants from the **Crystal Rock** collection made by **Arik Levy**. And for glassware, LASVIT sent into auction a carafe, decanter and a few glasses from the wonderfully cut Otto collection, designed by Yabu Pushelberg, which are a true jewel of glassmaking craftsmanship.

The main item on auction was however an art piece from the Monster collection which LASVIT presented this year in Milan. The item which found its new owner on behalf of Indonesian children was the “Ufon,” made by René Roubíček, the recently late legend of Czech glassmaking. In all, only twenty pieces of this unique monster were made, and it constitutes one of the last art works which Roubíček ever made.

For LASVIT, the event at Four Seasons in Jakarta was a bit of a *déjà vu*, as the entire event, including the dinner and the subsequent auction, took place under lights produced by the intrepid company which hails from Nový Bor. The “The Palm Grove” installation was inspired by the broad leaves of the palm trees which surround the hotel.

ABOUT HAPPY HEARTS INDONESIA

Founded by by Czech super-model Petra Němcová, Happy Hearts began rebuilding schools in Yogyakarta, Indonesia, after the devastating earthquake in 2006. More than 30 schools were built at the time. In 2013, Happy Hearts opened its first international chapter in Indonesia, Happy Hearts Indonesia, to support the reconstruction of schools affected by natural disasters. In addition, Happy Hearts Indonesia (HHI) is supporting local communities by rebuilding sustainable schools in underdeveloped areas. Rebuilt schools are equipped with proper furniture and facilities. After schools are rebuilt, HHI provides and facilitates suitable training programs for the teachers and students. On March 13, 2018, HHI officially launched the #IAMCHANGE campaign to rebuild 200 schools in Nusa Tenggara Timur in the next 5 years. Since 2006, HHI has built over 132 and reached more than 50,000 children in Indonesia.

ABOUT BIKA LIVING

BIKA was established in 1975, known as one of Indonesia's leading furniture maker recognized for its exceptional quality and timeless beauty creations. For the past four decades, Bika has provided luxurious furnishings, lighting and accessories for both residential and commercial projects in Indonesia and abroad. With their established showrooms in Kemang and Plaza Indonesia, Bika provides a complete curated selections of furnishings, lighting, rugs and accessories.

ABOUT LASVIT

LASVIT is a creative hub of glassmaking talents, fresh ideas, and daring designs. This young, progressive Czech glassmaking and design company inspires the world with its breathtaking custom-made installations exhibited all over the world, as well as with their unique lighting and glassware collections made from hand-blown glass. The founder of LASVIT, Leon Jakimič, steers the company with the utmost respect for the Czech glassmaking tradition, but also with a boundless optimism for modern technologies and cutting-edge design.

In past years, LASVIT has attracted many renowned designers and artists who wanted to collaborate with an unconventional Czech company. In cooperation with LASVIT, many stars such as the Campana Brothers, Kengo Kuma, Yabu Pushelberg, Nendo or Ross Lovegrove, have created some of their most unforgettable glass collections. Ever since 2007, LASVIT has been on a mission: to bring beauty, happiness, and a piece of the Bohemian soul to clients worldwide, and thus change the world for the better.

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