

An Asian-themed



Social World

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THE recent opening of East in The Westin Kuala Lumpur was one grand affair graced by many famous people.

However, it was not just the famous faces that garnered attention but the interior of the restaurant as well, designed by Ed Poole & Associates.

Polite staff welcomed guests to the Full Moon Party with the Mod Asian dress theme.

The restaurant was packed in no time. Once inside, many were captivated by the restaurant's modern zen concept.

While lights were kept low, creating a romantic ambience,



Lea (right) and David Pollock take a little time off to check messages on their handphone.



(From left) Theresa Giovagnoli, Vivian Fernandes, Steven Rouche, Mardziah Mohammad and Safura Schroder at the Full Moon Party.



One of Bernard Chandran's masterpieces displayed on the night of the event.



(From left) Zakaria Merican, Mr and Mrs K. C. Chan and Sarah Abdullah.

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the many candles in varying sizes placed in strategic corners added warmth to the evening.

The beauty of the ceiling made from antique bronze tiles did not escape guests' attention. Nor did

the replica of a 3,000-year-old bronze vessel placed in the courtyard.

The evening kicked off with a cocktail reception.

Singers Camelia and Ferhad, former beauty queens Elaine Daly,



Guests were treated to a mesmerising selection of clothes from The Melium Group's collection.



(From left) Aida Sharif, Datin Soraya Abdullah and Lim Siew Wah.

Lina Teoh and Yasmin Yusoff, actress Jelina Hashim and TV hosts Shamsir Sidhu and Bernie Chan made heads turn as they walked into the room.

There was more attention when models showcased Bernard Chandran's exquisite collection, an interpretation of modern Asian traditional attire.

Each outfit represented the five distinct Asian cuisines – Vietnamese,

Japanese, Thai, Chinese and Malaysian – served here.

Besides Chandran's designs, The Melium Group's latest selections from its various fashion brands also made an impact on guests.

The designs, both Asian as well as Western, were from Hugo Boss, Aigner, Christian Lacroix and Ermenegildo Zegna.

Before the evening ended, guests enjoyed a performance by Dama

Orchestra which reiterated the restaurant's concept, serenading guests with a blend of Malay, classical Chinese, English, Japanese and Italian music.

Making the evening even more memorable was the endless flow of tonics, Chinese and Japanese spirits and tea from the Tea Spa collection.

These were complemented by the restaurant's signature dishes and canapes.