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Asia Fine Art presents

Golden Heritage

World Expo of top Burmese artist Min Wae Aung in Shanghai

Opening Reception: Saturday 15th May, 2010 Time: 2:00-5:00pm

Exhibition: 15th – 23rd May 2010



Hong Kong – Asia Fine Art will present 22 supreme paintings of Myanmar's most sought-after artist **Min Wae Aung**. The solo exhibition titled "**Golden Heritage**" which opens on May 15th and continues through May 23rd to coincide with Expo 2010 in Shanghai.

"Golden denotes the crowning selection of his artworks," said curator and Managing Director of Asia Fine Art, **Sidney Cowell**, "It also refers to Min Wae Aung's signature golden backgrounds."

He further explained that heritage suggests the long-lasting value of the masterpieces and the artist's choice of painting Buddhist monks and nuns. It reflects the rich Buddhist heritage of Myanmar. **Golden Heritage** is an exceptional exposure of the most celebrated works of **Min Wae Aung**, who has held over 50 exhibitions worldwide since 1994.

Born in Danuby, Myanmar (formerly Burma), in 1960, Min Wae Aung studied landscape and portrait paintings at the State School of Fine Art in Rangoon and later developed his unique style which has met with great success since the mid 90s. His objects, mostly monks and nuns, are placed on golden backgrounds with a serene aura around them. Their hidden faces symbolize the Buddhist ideal of renunciation. There may be an occasional stare of a young monk to the viewers, but often it is shown in a non-engaging and distant manner. The audience often discover a deep feeling of serenity and inner peace contemplating his works.

This form of composition and expression also gives us a glimpse into the artist's own world. He finds his own nirvana in his paintings rather than in the permission of the audience. That is only what real masters can achieve.

A book by the same name "Golden Heritage" will be launched during the exhibition.

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Gallery Hours: daily 9:30am to 5.00pm,

Venue: Wan Fung Art Gallery, Bibliotheca Zi-Ka-Wei, 80 Cao Xi Road North, Xu Jia Hui, Shanghai

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