

**INTERIOR DESIGN STUDENTS DO THEIR BIT FOR COMMUNITY**  
***MSID And Nippon Paint Present Student Paintings***  
***To Selangor State Health Department***

**Shah Alam, November 1, 2011** – The Malaysian Society of Interior Designers (MSID) and Nippon Paint, Malaysia’s leading paint brand, recently presented three student artworks to the Selangor State Health Department. The paintings, bound for Klinik Kesihatan Bandar Botanic Klang, were the result of a competition held during *5Belas*, MSID’s last Interior Design Students’ Saturday. Participants were tasked with using recyclable materials and the paint expert’s health-friendly Nippon Paint Odour-less, to create works of art which promoted wellness and were suitable for a hospital.

Receiving the paintings, Selangor State Director of Health, Dr Hj Azman Abu Bakar said, “We greatly appreciate the initiative taken by MSID and Nippon Paint to organize the painting competition, and their kind presentation of the three top winning paintings to us. We look forward to more such cooperation with MSID and Nippon Paint.”



At the presentation of the student paintings (left to right) : MSID President, Encik Mohamad Faisal Ghazali; Ms Gladys Goh, Nippon Paint’s General Manager; Dr Rahimah; Selangor State Director of Health, Dr Hj Azman Abu Bakar; and Pn Anura Hashim, Head of MSID Education Sub-Committee.

With just three hours to complete the paintings, students of Saito College emerged the winner of the contest, while International Islamic University Malaysia and the Malaysian Institute of Art took second and third place respectively.

“Nippon Paint is committed to supporting and nurturing budding Interior Design talents. And we are very happy that the students are also being introduced to activities that impact and benefit the community,” said Nippon Paint’s General Manager, Ms Gladys Goh.

Aimed at encouraging the sharing of knowledge between the various Interior Design schools, introducing new ideas and ensuring the highest level of Interior Design excellence, MSID has been organizing the Interior Design Students’ Saturdays since 1995. Nippon Paint has been the main sponsor of the annual event since 2008.

Explaining the student initiative, MSID President, Encik Mohamad Faisal Ghazali, said “In addition to knowledge in their field of study, we also want to expose Interior Design students to what is going on around them. We want to broaden their minds so that they have a more well-rounded education. As such, we will keep on incorporating projects for the Students’ Saturday which make them think about the impact of Interior Design on the community.”

“As the interior design fraternity enters into a new era with the formation of the Malaysian Institute of Interior Designers (MIID), the new professional institute for Interior Designers in Malaysia, we look forward to Nippon Paint’s continued support of our new institute’s programmes,” he added.