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For Women's Sake

THE GREAT GATSBY WAS BROUGHT TO LIFE AS HIGH SOCIETY WALTZED BACK TO THE '20S TO PARTAKE OF A CULINARY FEAST AND RAISE FUNDS FOR **SNOW GALA 2011**

DAPPER GENTLEMEN IN ELEGANT TUXEDOS and resplendent women in flapper dresses descended upon the ballroom at Capella to raise funds, '20s style, for UNIFEM (United Nations Development Fund for Women).

After president of UN Women Singapore **TRINA LIANG-LIM** thanked the sponsors and guests for gracing the occasion, Koirala took to the stage and shed some light on the current work of UNIFEM, and its battle against human trafficking.

With a tagline of "a constellation of glamour, gastronomy & goodwill", SNOW Gala 2011 saw all the above elements come to life, in the form of guests dressed to the nines, culinary delights from well-known chefs from Bali and Singapore, and an auction that raised \$400,000 in aid of the self-funded, not-for-profit organisation.

The moving speech inspired guests to bid generously during the live auctions that took place in between the main courses, and the silent auctions throughout the evening. Along with art pieces from Ketna Patel, Takashi Murakami and Syaiful up for bids, there was a package to watch the UEFA soccer final in Munich in May 2012, which drew a lot of action from the ballroom and received one of the night's top bids.

Guests, including **CECILIA LEONG-FAULKNER** and **MAISIE CHONG**, welcomed guests of honour President **TONY TAN** and **ANURADHA KOIRALA**, founder of Maiti Nepal and CNN Hero 2010.

Adding fun and festivity to the evening were hosts Anita Kapoor, Rico Hizon, Mario Lajarca,



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SNOW BENEFIT GALA 2011
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FUN FACT It took the VIP tables about 15 minutes to find the special, and very large gold stars hidden beneath their chairs that would allow them to pick the winners of a magnum bottle of G.H. Mumm

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Mario Lajarca,
Zhang Ting Jun,
Anita Kapoor and
Rico Hizon

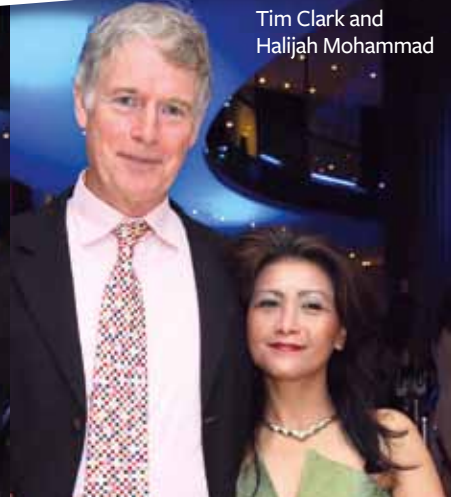
Simon William and
Edmund Lin



Lani Chan



Chin Lo and
Tan Su Shan



Tim Clark and
Halijah Mohammad

and Michaela Therese, and dance performances by Jazz Inc, who impressed with their Charleston and Lindy Hop.

The highlight, however, were the marvellous dishes prepared by renowned chefs from Asia. The first starter, a light Hokkaido scallop with avruga caviar, palm heart, green pea flan and parmesan emulsion, by chef Dorin Schuster from The Restaurant, The Legian in Bali melted in the mouth, while the second starter of spanner crab and kohlrabi apple by Michael Han from FiftyThree was the perfect mix of sweet and sour.

The orange and champagne sorbet on ice by Adam Thomas from The Knolls, Capella, cleansed the palate with its tangy and zesty taste before the coup de grace, the main course of pan-fried veal with green asparagus and mashed potatoes, was served. Prepared by chef Marco Pedrelli of La Dolce Vita, Mandarin Oriental Singapore, the veal was soft and tender, while the morel ragout was a flawless accompaniment. Ending the culinary delights on a high note was the coco and cocoa dessert by Thomas from The Knolls.