Bangkok Marriott Marquis Queen's Park Hosts "Marquis Arts and Crafts Market" to Showcase Thailand's Authentic Arts, Crafts and Organic Produce





Bangkok, Thailand, 20 January 2020 – Bangkok Marriott Marquis Queen's Park is preparing to host a unique event that will showcase organic local produce and the colorful arts, classical crafts of Thailand's ethnic communities.

In partnership with Lofty Bamboo and Green Net, two responsible Thai companies that are certified by the World Fair Trade Organization (WFTO), the hotel will stage the "Marquis Arts and Crafts Market" from 14-16 February 2020, giving guests and local residents the chance to purchase a wide variety of products, responsibly and sustainably produced by indigenous people in remote regions of Thailand.

Lofty Bamboo will help to shine a spotlight on the rich culture and intricate workmanship of Thailand's hilltribes, including the Lisu and Karen, which have resided in the mountainous border regions of northern and western Thailand for centuries. By creating a supply chain for their products – including clothing, silks, dyed fabrics, bags, silverwork, jewelry, woven baskets, sandals, accessories, beads and more – the company is harnessing skills that have been passed down through generations and helping to keep ancient traditions alive. Some of the suppliers, such as Baan Nong Ling Weaving Group and Wipawadi Beads Accessory Group, specialize in providing employment for ethic women.

Green Net Cooperative meanwhile, is dedicated to promoting fair trade and organic agriculture in Thailand and beyond. Guests at the Marquis Arts and Crafts Market will be able to purchase an extensive selection of organic products from small-scale Thai producers and responsible farms, including mulberry tea, coffee, rice, coconut oil, soy sauce, cashew nuts and even organic cotton t-

shirts.

“We are delighted to join forces with Lofty Bamboo and Green Net to host the second Marquis Arts and Crafts Market at Bangkok Marriott Marquis Queen’s Park. This event will offer a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate the culture and creativity of Thailand’s indigenous groups, and the kingdom’s amazing natural produce. In line with Marriott International’s global CSR program, ‘Serve360: Doing Good in Every Direction,’ we strive to make a difference to local people everywhere we operate. This marketplace will generate additional revenue for Thailand’s traditional communities, while also creating long-term benefits for people in remote rural regions,” said Simon Bell, General Manager, Bangkok Marriott Marquis Queen’s Park.

The Marquis Arts and Crafts Market will take place from 10am to 8pm on 14-16 February 2020, on the M Floor of Bangkok Marriott Marquis Queen’s Park.

Lofty Bamboo currently operates three shops in Bangkok. For more information, please visit www.loftybamboo.com. To learn more about Green Net, please visit www.greennet.or.th.