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### The Rising Bonsai Star: Simon Ooi of Kedah

From a young age in Kedah, Simon Ooi found joy in shaping miniature trees. What began as a childhood fascination quickly grew into a lifelong passion. His early works already showed balance and beauty, earning him recognition among local bonsai enthusiasts.



Over the years, Simon became a familiar face at bonsai events across Malaysia. He participated in nearly every major competition and collected numerous prizes for his creations. His trees are admired for their natural elegance and refined structure, reflecting both discipline and imagination.

Simon's reputation soon reached beyond Malaysia. He was invited many times to Thailand as a judge and demonstrator, where his skill and clear teaching style impressed audiences. Each demonstration revealed not only technical mastery but also his ability to inspire others.

A defining moment came in 2025, when Simon was appointed as a demonstrator at the 17th ASPAC in Bali, representing Malaysia on one of bonsai's grandest stages. It was a proud milestone, placing him among Asia-Pacific's leading bonsai artists.

Today, Simon Ooi stands as a symbol of Malaysia's new generation of bonsai practitioners—passionate, talented, and internationally recognized. His journey from Kedah's quiet beginnings to the world stage shows how dedication and vision can turn youthful curiosity into lasting artistry.



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