

Sumatran Orangutan Society (SOS)

Presents Jason Monet Exhibit on May 5 in Br. Dangin Labak, Singakerta. Ubud

SOS is proud to host a retrospective exhibition of paintings and sculptures by Jason Monet, Ubudbased ex-pat British artist, who has called Bali home for the last 20 years. A world renowned

post impressionist/ expressionist painter of landscapes and portraits with a tropical palette and unique style, Monet has always wanted to do something for conservation. Monet reasons, "I love nature. As you see I am living in it as much as I can and I do as much as I can with natural materials. I always wanted to do something for conservation and SOS is a way for me to support what I love." The exhibition will be held in Monet's beautiful bamboo and canvas home, which he built to promote bamboo as a sustainable alternative to logging rainforests.

SOS is a charity founded in 1997 dedicated to the conservation of Sumatran orangutans and their forest home. Their international branches in Indonesia, Sweden, Australia, New Zealand, the UK and USA raise awareness of the threats facing wild orangutans, which are critically endangered with less than 7500 remaining. SOS raises funds to support their grassroots conservation projects in Sumatra. Collaborating with a team of committed Indonesian conservationists, the Sumatran Orangutan Society works with local communities living alongside orangutan habitat through school projects and tree nursery centres to provide training towards a more sustainable future for their forests.

Seasoned art patrons will be pleased at the scope of the exhibit dating back to Monet's arrival in Bali. Monet will also offer a limited selection of entry level pieces for those new to the art world. The benefit will run from 10-6 on May 4, 2008. Monet's home is located at Br. Labak Dangin, Singakerta. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to SOS.

For further information about Monet, go to www.jasonmonet.com and for SOS, go to www.orangutans-sos.org. Please call the SOS office phone in Ubud, (0361) 972 906 with questions.

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