



Mdm Wong Mah Jia Lan (fourth from right) and Prof Tan Thiam Soon, President, SIT, (fourth from left) with several SIT students and alumni during the Charity Dinner.



SIT students, Ms Dhyllis Lim (left) and Ms Lovevin Chia (right) with Mdm Wong Mah Jia Lan at the opening of the Charity Exhibition.

When Support Comes Full Circle

A group of undergraduates and alumni from the Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT) recently volunteered at a charity exhibition opening and dinner, which were organised by the Nanyang Confucian Association and The Kongzi Culture Fund Ltd on 20 April 2017 and 22 April 2017 respectively. Both were held in honour of notable philanthropist Mdm Wong Mah Jia Lan's 80th birthday.

Mdm Wong had in 2014 made possible the endowed Wong Kwok Leong Bursary to nurture financially disadvantaged students at SIT in perpetuity. A total of seven Wong Kwok Leong Bursaries have been awarded since it was established.

Both events were held at the Singapore Chinese Cultural Centre and included the sale and auction of finger painting and various artwork and items from Madam Wong's private collection to raise funds for various charitable causes. SIT

Philanthropist Mdm Wong Mah Jia Lan auctions off her artworks to raise funds for charities – with some assistance from SITizens whom she has helped

students and alumni, some of whom were recipients of the Wong Kwok Leong Bursary, assisted with the exhibition opening, helped welcome guests and supported the stage ceremonies during the dinner.

The guest of honour for the exhibition was Ms Sim Ann, Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth & Ministry of Trade and Industry whereas Mr Heng Chee How, Senior Minister of State, Prime Minister's Office was the guest of honour at the dinner. Prof Tan Thiam Soon, President, SIT, also attended the charity dinner.

"Helping out at these events was especially meaningful for me. It was inspiring to see how Mdm Wong's philanthropy seemed to know no bounds as she donated all the red packets she received from the dinner guests to charity," said Mr Jeremy Wong, an alumna from the Marine Engineering programme and a recipient of the Wong Kwok Leong Bursary.