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NILAI University hosted the "One World Culture" event – a celebration of cultural exchange through performing arts – at its campus in Negri Sembilan.

Organised by its student development unit, the event promoted the appreciation of cultural diversity among local and international students

International and local students from higher education institutions competed in two categories – song and dance.

Seven dance teams and 30 vocalists from Asia Pacific University (APU), Help University, International Islamic University Malaysia, University Selangor (Unisel), Nilai University, Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM), Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM), Universiti Tenaga Nasional (Uniten) and Xiamen University Malaysia took part in the competition.



The winners in the Dance category were champion Melati Cahya Ilmi (UTM), first runner-up G. Anbalagi (Help University) and second runner-up Muhammad Firdaus Abdul Hamid (Unisel). Hamizah binti Maidin (UTM) won for best

choreography while Risya Maharani Maulidininggrum (APU) won for best traditional dance. Mohamed Raif Ibrahim (APU) won the Judges' Special Award.

In the Singing category, the winners were Lailatul Maghfiroh Ansah (Xiamen) who was Vocal Nusantara champion, Vocal Nusantara first runner-up was Nur Afiqah binti Md Rejab (USM), Vocal Nusantara second runner-up Shania Rosella Wijaya (Xiamen), Lailatul Maghfiroh Ansah (Xiamen) for Vocal Nusantara best vocal and Praditha Wulandari (UTM) for Vocal Nusantara best performer.

Also in the Singing category, Abdarazik Faisal (Uniter) won the Vocal International champion title with first runner-up going to Mutanaugwa Ashley Yemurai (APU), while Shams Shazid Kader (UTM) was the Vocal International second runner-up. Abdarazik also took the prize for Vocal International best performer and Mutanaugwa Ashley Yemurai (APU) won the Vocal International best yocal.

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Besides walking away with cash prizes of up to RM12,200, trophies and certificates, the winners gained invaluable insights from the panel of judges.

