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Calendar 2008



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January '08

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- 10. ISLAMIC NEW YEAR 1429 H
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TABOT FESTIVAL (1 MUHARAM MOSLEM NEW YEAR)

Bengkulu, January 10, 2008
The traditional ceremony to commemorate the death of grandchildren of the Prophet Muhammad, Hasan and Husein, in defending and preserving the religion. Highlight during the festival include various kinds of contests and handicrafts exhibitions.



INDONESIA RUN (RUN FOR NATION)

Jakarta, January 20, 2008
About 100,000 people will participate in this event to commemorate a 100 years of nation's awakening and will be covered by national and international media.



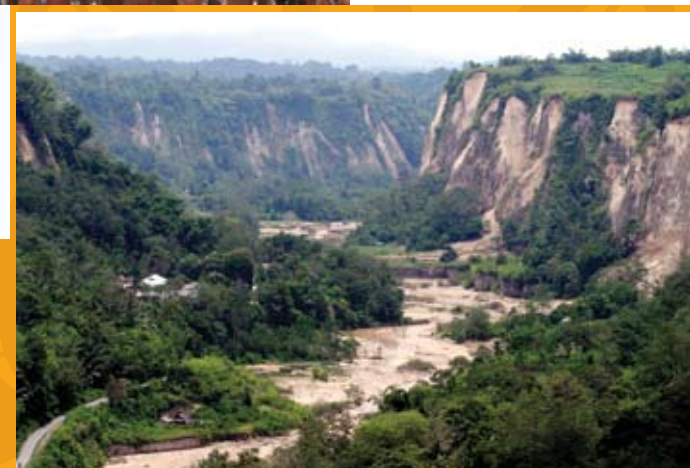
GRAND LAUNCHING VIY 2008

Jakarta, December 26, 2007



ARAK TABUIK FESTIVAL

Pariaman, West Sumatra, January 20-22, 2008
A ceremony held to commemorate the death of the Prophet Muhammad's grandchildren, Hasan and Husein in the Karbala war, in the defence of the Moslem religion. Horse races, swimming contest, beach festival and art performance are also part of the event.



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7. IMLEK CHINESE NEW YEAR 2559
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TOURISM FUNDAY ANYER
Banten, February 15-20, 2008

INDONESIA OPEN GOLF
February, 2008

The Indonesia Open Golf is held at the best tropical golf course and invites over 150 golfers internationally.

**GRAND RACING
SPEED CAR AND GP2**

Sirkuit Sentul, Bogor, West Java
February 16-17, 2008.

PASOLA JOUSTING CEREMONY

Sumba Island, East Nusa Tenggara,
February-March 2008
"Pasola" is West Sumba's most exciting ritual. Scores of colorfully arrayed horsemen riding bareback, battle with lances. During these mock wars, riders charge one another flinging blunt spears. The ceremony is held during February in the Lamboya and Kodi Villages and March in Gaura and Wanokaka. It begins several days after the full moon and coincides with the yearly arrival of strange multi-hued sea worms of the region's shore. There will be a Seminar on Culture and Arts in East Nusa Tenggara.



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- 7. NYEPI HINDU NEW YEAR 1930 SAKA
- 20. PROPHET MUHAMMAD'S BIRTHDAY
- 21. GOOD FRIDAY
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WEAVING AND HANDICRAFT EXHIBITION

Kupang, East Nusa Tenggara, March-May 2008
Local hand weaving of different design and colour. Display of traditional woven textiles and clothing of Timorese. Various handicrafts are also performed at this exhibition.



TRADITIONAL CULTURE AND DANCE PARADE

Batam, Kep. Riau, March 7-9, 2008
To present the Malay culture and traditions. The event features a dance competition and dance performance from dance groups and schools in city of Batam.



AGRINEX INDONESIA 2008
Jakarta Convention Center, Jakarta March 20-23, 2008
An exhibition for agribusiness Indonesia.



PUTRI BAU NYALE MANDALIKA FESTIVAL

Central Lombok, West Nusa Tenggara March 15, 2008
It is linked to a popular folklore of a beautiful princess Putri Mandalika, who willingly sacrificed herself by jumping into the sea and promising a return in the form of the Nyale (sea worms). This event is usually participated in by youngsters.



INTERNATIONAL JAVA JAZZ FESTIVAL

Jakarta, March 7-9, 2008
An annual event much anticipated by jazz lovers, the festival showcases over 1,000 jazz musicians from Indonesia and abroad.



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LEGU GAM FESTIVAL

Ternate, North Maluku, April 13, 2008
A folk festival to celebrate the birthday of His Highness the Sultan of Ternate. Loyal subjects from throughout the province gather at the Sultan's Kedaton (Palace) to watch or participate in the various colorful and traditional performances of the region.



SEA OFFERINGS CEREMONY PELABUHAN RATU

Pelabuhan Ratu, Sukabumi,
West Java, April 5-6, 2008



MAULID MAAYUM ANAK CEREMONY

South Kalimantan, April 12, 2008
The traditional ceremony to commemorate the birthday of Prophet Muhammad.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF LOCAL AND COMMUNITY BASED TOURISM AND CULTURE

Padang, West Sumatra, April 2008

SEKATEN FESTIVAL

Yogyakarta, April 2008

SEA OFFERING CEREMONY

Pagatan, South Kalimantan, April 2008

INTERNATIONAL HANDICRAFT TRADE FAIR 2008 (INACRAFT 2008)

Jakarta, April 23-27, 2008
International Handicraft Trade Fair (INACRAFT) is Indonesian handicraft exhibition performed by Association of Exporters and Producers of Indonesian Handicraft (ASEPHI) as promotional tool for Indonesian handicraft marketing to the International market by exporting and to the local market.

INDONESIA 2ND INT'L DIVING, ADVENTURE TRAVEL AND WATER SPORT

Jakarta, April 2008
International annual exhibition, trade, retail package diving, training and seminar of Indonesia destinations marine tourism.



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1. ASCENSION DAY OF JESUS CHRIST

20. HARI RAYA WAISAK

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GORONTALO CULTURAL FESTIVAL

Gorontalo, Sulawesi, May 3-7, 2008

Promoting Gorontalo's cultural heritage. The festival invited local people to participate in various events, such as traditional dance and drama, traditional poetry reading, martial arts, and folk music competitions. A colourful carnival display historical theme from different regions of Gorontalo.



KENDARI BAY FESTIVAL

Kendari, South East Sulawesi
May 9, 2008

MAUDU LOMPOA CIKOANG

Cikoang, South Sulawesi
May 6-8, 2008

GALESONG FESTIVAL

Takalar, South Sulawesi May 16-18, 2008
Galesong fisherman hold a traditional thanksgiving ceremony by throwing offerings into the sea and hoping for a prosperous future.

BATANG MARANGIN RIVER RAFTING

Jambi, May 25-30, 2008

MUAROJAMBI TEMPLE FESTIVAL

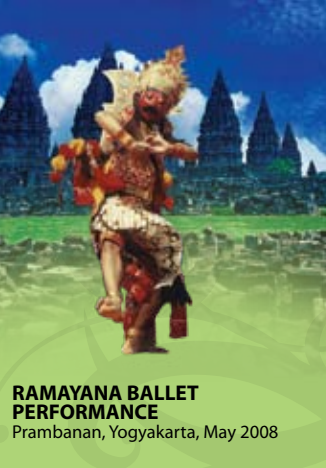
Jambi, May 29 - June 2, 2008



DAYAK KALIMANTAN CULTURAL FESTIVAL

Palangkaraya, Central Kalimantan
May 25-27, 2008

Art and cultural performances, exhibitions and conventions are performed at this event.



RAMAYANA BALLET PERFORMANCE

Prambanan, Yogyakarta, May 2008

SKY GLIDING CHAMPIONSHIP

Agam, West Sumatera, May 2008

SKY GLIDING FESTIVAL

Kota Batu, East Java, May 2008

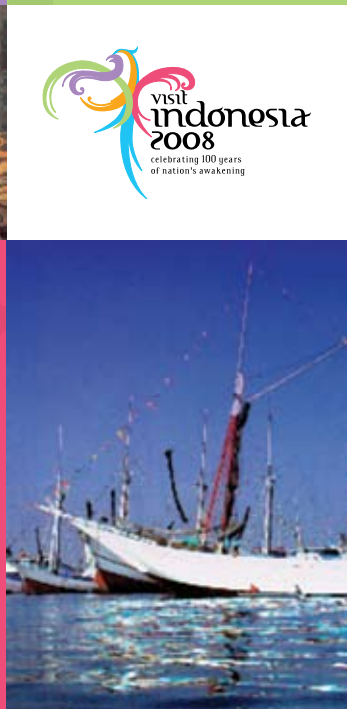
EAST NUSA TENGGARA CULTURAL FESTIVAL

East Nusa Tenggara, May 2008

GRAND PRIX PHINISI

Jakarta, May 20 - August 17, 2008

This event will be followed by 200 phinisi boats acrossing 5,000 miles of distance from Sabang to Merauke. Through 90 days of adventures, all the participants will have the glorious experience from the graceful phinisi.



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WORLD BATIK SUMMIT
Jakarta, June 1, 2008
The pilot project of the worldwide convention and exhibition for batik. This event will be attended by many countries.

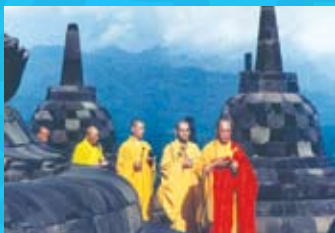
INDONESIA SAILING CHAMPIONSHIP
Marina Ancol, Jakarta, June 4-8, 2008

JAKARTA FAIR AND JAKARTA GREAT SALES
Jakarta, June 14 - July 14, 2008

LAKE TOBA FESTIVAL
North Sumatra, June 13-16, 2008

BANDAR LAMPUNG FESTIVAL (BEGAWAI FESTIVAL)
Bandar Lampung, Lampung, June 2008

WAISAK CEREMONY
Magelang, Central Java, June 2008
The "Waisak" is a religious event observing the birth of Sidharta Gautama held at Mendut and Borobudur temples. The ceremony is first started with religious praying in Mendut.



FLOATING MARKET FESTIVAL
Banjarmasin, South Kalimantan
June 2008
Every morning between. The local people sell from their rowing boats along the Martapura river.

PHINISI RACES (SOUTH KALIMANTAN- SOUTH SULAWESI)
South Kalimantan, June 2008

SRIWIJAYA FESTIVAL
Palembang, South Sumatra,
June 16-23, 2008
The festival is aimed to enhance the appreciation of the local people toward their own culture and to be one of the annual events in Palembang, South Sumatra. The festival includes traditional and contemporary cultural performances, speed boat races, boat decorating contests and exhibition of an old Sriwijaya boat and other entertainments.



YOGYAKARTA ART FESTIVAL
Yogyakarta, June 7 - July 7, 2008
A month long art festival to celebrate the many artistic and cultural tradition of Yogyakarta. This festival features parade traditional performances, exhibition of art and tourism, and other traditional entertainments.



BAKAR TONGKANG FESTIVAL
Bagansiapiapi, Riau, June 2008
It is a thanksgiving ceremony observed by the Chinese community at Bagansiapiapi, during which a variety of traditional attractions such as the Barongsai dance is performed.

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MINANGKABAU CULTURAL AND ARTS FESTIVAL

Padang, West Sumatra, July 6-15, 2008

The Minangkabau ethnic group (also known as Minang or Padang) is indigenous to the highlands of West Sumatra. The Minangs are the world's largest matrilineal society, in which properties such as land and houses are inherited through female lineage. The festival will perform traditional costumes and dances from every regions in West Sumatra. This 10 day event also followed by seminar and exhibitions from West Sumatra and other parts of Indonesia and Negeri Sembilan in Malaysia.

KITE FESTIVAL PANGANDARAN

Ciamis, West Java, July 17-19, 2008

CANDI CETHO FESTIVAL

Tawangmangu, Karanganyar, Central Java July 17, 2008

TOGIAN FESTIVAL

Kab.Tojouna-Una, Central Sulawesi July 23-27, 2008

DARWIN AMBON SAIL RACE

Ambon, Maluku, July 2008

LAKE KERINCI CULTURAL FESTIVAL (2ND WEEK)

Jambi July 2008

SENGGIGI FESTIVAL

Senggigi, Lombok, West Nusa Tenggara July 2008

THE INTERNATIONAL INDONESIA MOTOR SHOW (IIMS)

Jakarta, July 2008

FIM WORLD SBK CHAMPIONSHIP

Sirkuit Sentul, Bogor West Java, July 19-20, 2008

KEMILAU SULAWESI (2ND WEEK)

Gorontalo, July 2008

SERUMPUN SEBALAI

Pangkal Pinang, Bangka Belitung, July 2008

The event is organized in conjunction with the preparation of "Visit Bangka Belitung Archipelago 2010". This event is highlighted with traditional folk dance competitions from Malay ethnic group in Indonesia and exhibition.



PAPER KITES FESTIVAL

Padanggalak Beach, Sanur, Bali July 2008



INTERNATIONAL SURFING COMPETITION

Dompu, West Nusa Tenggara, July 2008

An international competition held at Hu'u Beach, Dompu, West Nusa Tenggara which is considered as one of the best surfing areas in the world. This event is a continuation of the one held in Nias and includes a variety of traditional art performances.



BALI FASHION WEEK

Bali, July 18, 2008

Runway shows of Indonesian fashion to the international buyers, photography competition, exhibition and conventions.

BALI ARTS FESTIVAL

Bali, July 2008

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17. **INDONESIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY**
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SANDEQ RACE

Majene, West Sulawesi, August 17, 2008
 An annual traditional boat of Mandar. The sailing takes place from Mamuju to Makassar.

TELUK KUANTAN BOAT RACES

Teluk Kuantan, Riau, August 23-26, 2008

BATANG ARAU INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT RACES

Padang, West Sumatera
 August 23-31, 2008

TRADITIONAL CANOE COMPETITION

Banjarmasin, South Kalimantan
 August 17, 2008

SEA EAGLE BOAT RACE

Batam, August 15, 2008



YADNYA KASADA

Probolinggo, East Java
 August 25-26, 2008
 This is an annual ritual held by the Teng-gere community at Ngadisari village, Probolinggo. Thousand of pilgrims bring rice, flowers, fruits, vegetables and live stocks, as well as other local products, to the foot of the volcano Mt. Bromo.

TORAJA FESTIVAL

Rantepao, Tanatoraja, South Sulawesi
 23-31 August 2008
 Art and cultural performances, Toraja handicraft exhibition and traditional sport competition are held during the festival.



FLORA AND FAUNA EXPOSITION AND FESTIVAL

Jakarta, August 2008
 The two weeks long exposition is opened to public with highlight activities are exhibition of various types of flower plants, workshop, various competition such as painting, photography, contest of Miss Flora.

JAKARTA WEDDING FESTIVAL

Jakarta, August 2008
 A unique event presenting the rich diversity of Indonesia's bridal costumes, as well as the fascinating wedding rituals from different parts of the country.

KEMILAU SUMATRA

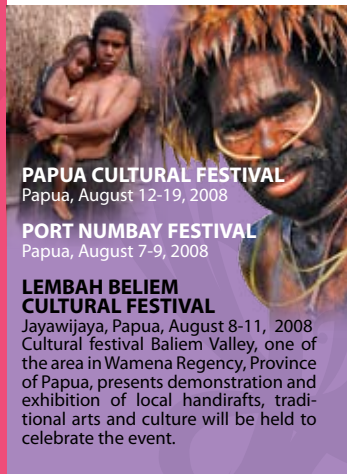
Palembang, South Sumatera,
 August 19, 2008

SANUR VILLAGE FESTIVAL

Bali, August 15-19, 2008

UBUD FESTIVAL

Bali, August 2008



PAPUA CULTURAL FESTIVAL

Papua, August 12-19, 2008

PORT NUMBAY FESTIVAL

Papua, August 7-9, 2008

LEMBAH BELIEM CULTURAL FESTIVAL

Jayawijaya, Papua, August 8-11, 2008
 Cultural festival Baliem Valley, one of the area in Wamena Regency, Province of Papua, presents demonstration and exhibition of local handicrafts, traditional arts and culture will be held to celebrate the event.

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INDONESIA AGRICULTURE EXPO 2008

National Botanical Park, Jababeka, Cikarang, East Java, September 2008
The Expo is an international agribusiness exhibition which is held in an area of 30 ha. The area consists of convention, national and international pavillion and indoor and outdoor expo. This event will be lasted for one month and to be participated by 37 countries around. This event will be the most prestigious agriculture expo ever held in Indonesia for prospective buyers, clients and investors of agriculture worldwide.



BUNAKEN FESTIVAL

Bunaken, North Sulawesi, September 15-22, 2008
Bunaken is a small island of the coast of Manado known for its fabulous underwater gardens. Not far, lies the volcano, Manado Tua. Highlights during the festival include art and cultural performances from the four ethnic groups living in the North Sulawesi Province.



MADURA BULL RACES

Madura, East Java
September-October 2008
This is very popular sport is held regularly at least twice a month at Bangkalan on the island of Madura, about an hour by Ferry from Surabaya. Bull racing is a great event in Madura held by the local administration after the harvest time in September and October. The finals are held at Pamekasan capital of the island once a year.



INDONESIA INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL AND TOURISM FAIR
Jakarta, September 2008

NUSA DUA FIESTA
Bali, September 2008

UBUD WRITERS AND READERS FESTIVAL
Bali, September 25-30, 2008



KUTA CARNIVAL

Bali, September 1-9 2008
This event always attracts many visitors to come, as it is take place in famous Kuta area. Highlights include art and culture performances, food bazaar, traditional and contemporary music performances, handicrafts and paintings exhibition, games, contests and many more interesting activities.

SAM PO KONG / CHENG HO FESTIVAL
Semarang, Central Java, September 2008

KEMILAU NUSANTARA
Bandung, West Java, September 8-9, 2008

DUGDERAN WARAK NGENDOG FESTIVAL
Semarang, Central Java, September 23, 2008

INTERNATIONAL SURFING CHAMPIONSHIP AND EXHIBITION

- Championship in Mentawai, West Sumatra
- Exhibition in Bukittinggi, West Sumatra, September 2008
This is one of the most popular sport of the surfing world, attracting participants from all over the world, thanks to the island's superb waves and unique local culture. This event will be highlighted by exhibition of things related to surfing activities.

AMBON BAY FESTIVAL
Desa Mamala dan Desa, Morela, Central Maluku, September 27, 2008

KERATON NUSANTARA ROYAL PALACE FESTIVAL
Gowa, South Sulawesi, September 20-28, 2008



INTERNATIONAL SURFING EXHIBITION CHAMPIONSHIP

Bali, September 15, 2008



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ASIAN SAILING CHAMPIONSHIP

Jakarta, October 7-13, 2008
The championship will have 3 categories of men, women and open, and be participated by more than 800 competitors, officials and supporters.

DRAGON BOAT RACES TANJUNG PINANG

Riau, October 17, 2008

SAIL INDONESIA

Jejara, Central Java, October 2008
The Karimunjawa is group of islands consist of 27 islands located in the Java sea +60 km away from Jepara, Central Java. Karimunjawa is worth sailing, ideal for hunting because it has plenty of forest which are inhabited by deers, birds and other kinds of wild life in great numbers.



ASIAN BEACH GAMES 2008

Bali, October 18-26, 2008
Indonesia will host the First ASIAN Beach Games, where Bali will become the venue of this international event, which will see 45 countries participating with over 10,000 athletes, officials, media and volunteers all flocking to the island of the Gods for this world class event.



GREBEG SYAWAL CEREMONY

Yogyakarta, October 13-14, 2008
A thanksgiving ceremony observed by Moslems in the area after fasting a whole month during Ramadhan. At 8.00 am the ceremony begins with a parade of the Keraton guards in their colourful uniforms.

BOROBUDUR INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL (BIF)

Semarang, Central Java, October 2008
The Borobudur International Festival is held at Borobudur temple and highlighted with art and cultural performances.

WORLD CULTURAL FORUM EXHIBITION

Bali, October 2008

SANGIRAN PRE HISTORIC JAVANESE EXHIBITION

Sangiran, Central Java, October 2008

GEBYAR WISATA BANTEN

Banten, October 2008

TRADE EXPO INDONESIA 2008

Jakarta, October 21-25, 2008

FESTIVAL MENGIKIT

Palangkaraya, Kab. Ketingan, Central Kalimantan, October - November 2008

KORA-KORA RACE

Banda Neira, Central Maluku, October 11-12, 2008

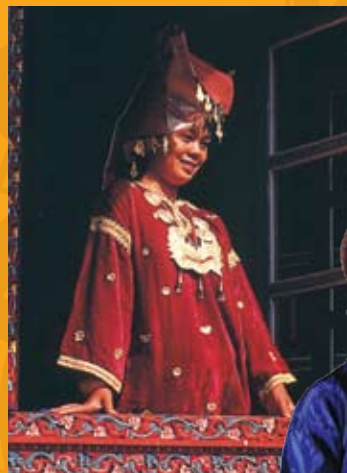


PAPER KITES FESTIVAL

Pangandaran, West Java, October 2008
Participants of the kite flying contest come from the surrounding regions as well as from foreign countries. Beautiful kites of all shapes and sizes are flown in a contest that coincides with festivities held during the harvest period in West Java.

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NUSANTARA FASHION FESTIVAL

Palembang, South Sumatera
November, 2008
The festival is participated in by all provinces of Indonesia. Various styles and traditional customs will be showed at this festival.



LEATHER PUPPET SHADOW

Yogyakarta,
November 2008
Every second Saturday of the month from 9.00 pm to 5.30 am.
All year Event.

WORLD KARTING CHAMPIONSHIP

Sirkuit Sentul, Bogor, West Java, November 2008

INTERNATIONAL ECOTOURISM BUSINESS FORUM

Bali, November, 2008

TEKTEKAN AND OKOKAN FESTIVAL

Bali, November 11, 2008

PADANG BAI FESTIVAL

Bali, November, 2008

WATER BUFFALO FIGHTING (KOTA BARU).

Kuta Laweh and Kuta Baru, near the town of Bukittinggi, West Sumatera, November, 2008

LAKE TONDANO FESTIVAL.

North Sulawesi, November 5-10, 2008

LAKE POSO FESTIVAL

Tentena Kab. Poso, Donggala, Central Sulawesi, November 25-30, 2008

ASIA PASIFIC FILM FESTIVAL

Jakarta, November, 2008

BENUA ETAM CULTURAL FESTIVAL

Samarinda, East Kalimantan
November, 2008

The event is highlighted with dance performances, traditional folksong contest, traditional sport competitions, fashion and cooking contests.



NUSANTARA WEDDING EXHIBITION

Jakarta, November, 2008
Nusantara Bridal Festival a unique event presenting the rich diversity of Indonesia's bridal costumes, as well as the fascinating wedding rituals from different parts of Indonesia.



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INTERNATIONAL SPA, HERBS AND NATURAL COSMETICS (ISHNC) 2008

Bali, December 4-7, 2008

Indonesia will offer natural resources of variety of traditional body care, cosmetics, traditional health supplements, medical herbs, health drinks, spices. This event will be held in Bali as a complete event-package including exhibition and seminar. This exhibition will bring the visual experience of the spa tourism, well-known with its rich culture and Bali, the Land of Gods is a great place that provide traditional Indonesian spa. This combination makes Bali as a perfect destination for those searching for complete comfort and pleasure. This expo will represent about 200 domestic and foreign exhibitors, and about 1,000 overseas buyers will come to the Expo.



WAY KAMBAS FESTIVAL

East Lampung, December 5-11, 2008
Way Kambas Festival is highlighted with National Jambore (boy scout), national off road, Safari night of Elephants attractions, and agro tourism.

BRAGA FESTIVAL

Bandung, West Java, December 28-31, 2008

Cultural and art performances, also various contests are held at this event along the street of Jalan Braga.



DARWIN - MANADO YACHT RACE 2008

Manado, North Sulawesi, December 15-21, 2008

This event is intended to enhance sportmanship, friendship and pride for their cultural heritage among locals, and promotes the good ties between Australia and Indonesia. The race finishes in Manado where a reception committee welcomes participants to the island with ceremonies and traditional performances.



THE 4TH COMMEMORATION OF TSUNAMI

West Aceh, Nanggroe Aceh Darussalam, December 26, 2008

JAMBI CULTURAL WEEK CHARM

Jambi, December 10-15, 2008



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