

# CULT

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***'GoBlock: Senibuku': CULT Gallery Presents First Malaysian Exhibition on Artists' Books***

**CULT Gallery** is proud to present Malaysia's first introduction to artists' books in their upcoming show, **GoBlock: Senibuku**. While highlighting the expanded practice of contemporary Malaysian printmaking, this exhibition will present unique works of art in the special form of books, or artists' books, as its central focus.

Art historian Camille Mathieu explains: "The artist's book is a rather hybrid form. It turns a story or a poem into an object; it lends the weight of materiality to the metaphorical weight of narrative. It is necessarily a collaborative effort: author, artist-illustrator, typesetter, printer, editor, publisher—all of these people have a hand in producing the final product."

In CULT Gallery's upcoming art exhibition **GoBlock: Senibuku**, 10 artists challenged themselves to engage in multi-disciplinary practices outside their own. The show will include a range of printmaking techniques in art in the form of books including etchings, linocuts, woodblocks, frottage and cyanotype. These unconventional books will surprise audiences and challenge not only preconceived ideas about how books should look like but also about art forms.

Ten diverse artists and printmakers with experience in different areas of printmaking will showcase their artworks including their interpretation of artist books. GoBlock members **Juhari Said, Faizal Suhif, Haafiz Shahimi, Samsudin Wahab, and Fadli Mokhtar** will show alongside other artists invited by GoBlock. Joining them are multidisciplinary artists **Agnes Lau and Bibi Chew, Haslin Ismail, Phuan Thai Meng**, and co-founder of Sabahan collective Pangrok Sulap, **Rizo Leong**.

**GoBlock: Senibuku** will run from **29 July to 12 August 2023** at **CULT Gallery**, and is supported by the Artist Development Fund (ADF). **Viewing will be by appointment only.**

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### **About CULT Gallery**

CULT Gallery is a private art gallery showcasing modern and contemporary art from Malaysia and the Asian region.

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