

“Train Across Time” at GSM Chicken Station Segamat Largest Train Mural in Malaysia

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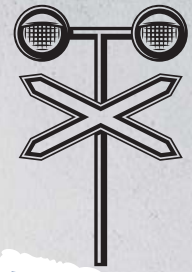
Located on the exterior wall of GSM Chicken Station on Jalan Abdullah in Segamat's old town, the “Train Across Time” mural depicts a 1954 steam train meeting a 2024 modern train. It creates a beautiful tableau that bridges time, narrating the changes of the ages and the progression of the times.

Spanning 43.8 meters in length and 10.4 meters in height, the mural is funded by GSM Chicken Station and painted by renowned mural artist Mr. Tan Jian Siong from Muar. It highlights Segamat's historic railway bridge and the new operational train station. Recreating the old demolished Segamat train station in mural form connects the oldest and newest train stations, creating a unique railway-themed journey through Segamat.



The team spent several months searching for old photos of the station as reference and finally found one taken on July 28, 1954, from the official archives of KTMB. 2024 marks a significant milestone for Segamat with the commencement of the new train station as part of the Gemas-Johor Bahru Electrified Double-Tracking Project. Thus, this mural was created to convey the vision of “reflecting on the past and looking forward to the future”.

The mural's painting began on June 20, 2024, with Mr. Tan working on weekends and painting until midnight. It involved three stages: the painting of the black and white steam train; the elevated painting; and the final painting of the colorful modern trains.



Many classic elements like tracks, a switch lever, signs and authentic wooden railroad ties were used to recreate a real train station scene. The switch lever symbolizes the transition of eras. Pulling it takes you from 1954 to 2024, from the steam train to the modern train, illustrating the passage of time.

The mural's effort to blend innovation and tradition was recognized by the government. On July 21, 2024, the mural's reveal was officiated by the Minister of Transport, YB Anthony Loke, in the presence of Deputy Minister of Investment, Trade and Industry, YB Liew Chin Tong; Railway Assets Corporation CEO, YBhg. Dato' Azhar bin Ahmad; and Member of the Johor State Legislative Assembly, YB Ng Kor Sim.



With the "Train Across Time" mural, it is hoped that the cultural and artistic endeavor will revitalize the old Segamat district, boost tourism and promote economic development, creating a bright future for the town.



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