

# Malaysian producer wins third spot at Asean film fest

**HANOI:** Malaysian film producer Richard Ung's documentary on rice won third place in the Asean documentary film category at the Asean Festival of Photos, Reportage, and Documentary Film 2015, here on Tuesday.

His documentary, entitled 'Nourishing Asean Rice', was among the 15 documentaries short-listed for the competition. He won a trophy, certificate and cash, but the amount was not disclosed.

Ung said that rice was the main food source of all Asean

communities, and through his documentary he tried to reflect on the bond of Asean nations through rice.

"This little grain (rice) forms a common bond for the people of Asean, and I am proud to be able to produce such a documentary... I did not expect to gain an entry in the competition," he said when met after the award presentation at Au Co Art Centre, here.

Ung said he had received a grant to come up with the documentary from the Malaysian

Communications and Multimedia Commission (MCMC).

An entry submitted by Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) also received a consolation award in the photo category.

The festival was organised by Vietnam's Information and Communication Ministry with the theme "The People in Asean Community", and is in its third year.

It aims to promote Asean culture through photos, video reports and documentaries. - Bernama