

30th World Cultural Council Awards Ceremony

World Cultural Council presents awards to distinguished scientists and artists who have made notable contributions towards humanity

MEXICO CITY, MEXICO CITY, MEXICO, September 27, 2013 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Nanyang Technological University in Singapore will host the 30th Annual World Cultural Council Award Ceremony on October 2nd, 2013. During the event, Sir Paul Nurse, President of the Royal Society (United Kingdom), will receive the Albert Einstein World Award of Science as recognition for his research in cell cycle regulation. Also, Professor Petteri Nisunen and Mr. Tommi Grönlund will receive the Leonardo Da Vinci World Award of Arts due to their unique approach towards contemporary arts, and creative innovation.

Each year, the World Cultural Council honors scientists by conferring the Albert Einstein World Award of Science, which was created as a mean of recognition to those men and women who have accomplished scientific and technological achievements, which have brought progress to



Sir Paul Nurse

science, and ensuing benefit to mankind.

Sir Paul Nurse is one of the world's foremost biochemists and geneticists. In the 1980s, he made a scientific discovery when he identified a number of key regulatory proteins that control the yeast cell cycle. His further studies have led to the current widely accepted models that find strong similarities among proteins, their activities and their biochemical modes of regulation throughout all eukaryotic organisms. His research is especially important for the understanding of biology and medicine in respect to cancer and other serious diseases, bringing a closer to prevention and a cure. Nurse received the Nobel Prize in Medicine in 2001, and the Copley medal in 2005.

Every other year, the Council recognizes artists by presenting the Leonardo Da Vinci World Award of Arts, which is conferred upon a renowned artist, sculptor, writer, poet, cinematographer, photographer, architect, musician or other performing artist, whose work constitutes a significant contribution to the artistic legacy of the world.

Peter Nisunen and Tommi Grönlund's interdisciplinary approach brings together art, design, architecture and science. Their large-scale spatial interventions involve a variety of materials and technologies, from the use of objects to light and sound. Their works tend to change or reshape space and stimulate sensory perception through direct intervention, often with complex technical installations. The artists are not committed to one medium only, but are endlessly curious, capable of

moving between disciplines and changing approaches.

Edmond H. Fischer, President of the World Cultural Council, said: "Scientific research, artistic creation, and appropriate education are paths to peace and will lead us all to a higher level of existence. To encourage such pursuits, every year, the Council recognizes outstanding achievements in science, arts and education that enhance the physical, cultural and moral wellbeing of mankind."

Professor Bertil Andersson, President of the Nanyang Technological University, stated: "Professor Sir Paul Nurse, Professor Petteri Nisunen and Tommi Grönlund have made far-reaching contributions to the welfare of their fellow men and women, and they truly deserve the awards being conferred on them. Professor Nurse is an iconic figure in science who won the 2001 Nobel Prize in Medicine for his discoveries in cell cycle regulation – ground-breaking work that has brought us closer to preventive treatments and a cure for cancer. Using a unique, interdisciplinary approach, Professor Nisunen and his colleague, Grönlund, have presented art in inspiring new ways."

The World Cultural Council is an international organization based in Mexico, which pays annual recognition to individuals or institutions that have made outstanding achievements in science, education and the arts, by means of its awards.

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