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BTSC ends on a high note

PETALING JAYA: The battle for the best solo singing, cultural dancing and modern dancing acts in the country under the Berjaya Teenstar Challenge (BTSC) 2018 reached its thrilling grand finale yesterday.

Joshua Lim Heng Xu from Sunway International School, who won in the modern dancing category, was adjudged the overall Berjaya Teenstar of the Year (Male) special award winner.

The Berjaya Teenstar of the Year (Female) 2018 special award went to Siti Erinshahira Jamalludin of SMK(P) Methodist Melaka, who won the solo singing category.

The pair each took home RM300 of prizes and a trophy.

Joshua, 17, who started dancing at the age of six, said he did not expect to win the overall best male teenstar, having only prepared his act at the start of the year.

Siti Erinshahira, 15, said she had initially joined the competition just to have fun.

"I only started singing when I was 11. And the only training I had was with my sister."

The competition, which started on June 30 with 516 hopefuls nationwide in the preliminaries, saw the 48 finalists battling it out for the BTSC 2018 title and combined cash prizes worth over RM50,000 at the Damansara Performing Arts Centre, here.

> **Joshua Lim and Siti Erinshahira are Berjaya Teenstar of the Year special award winners**

The finalists were split into four teams representing Berjaya Starbucks Coffee Company (Starbucks), Kenny Rogers Roasters (KRR), Cosway (M) Sdn Bhd (Cosway) and Berjaya University College (Berjaya UC), with each team with four solo singers, four modern dancing troupes and four cultural dancing acts.

Cosway won the overall Champion Team trophy for obtaining the highest combined score from all its team members.

The winners for each category:

SOLO SINGING

- > **1st:** Siti Erinshahira Jamalludin of SMK(P) Methodist Melaka (Team Starbucks)
- > **2nd:** Nisha Nabilla Nor Azlan of Sekolah Seni Malaysia KL (Team Cosway)
- > **3rd:** Roxanne Lee Kah Yean of Lodge International School (Team Cosway)

MODERN DANCING

- > **1st:** Joshua & Saibya from Sunway International School (Team Berjaya UC)

- > **2nd:** Freaky Girls of SMK Convent Bukit Nanas (Team KRR)
- > **3rd:** Fulemak Boys of Sirius Scholar (Team Starbucks)

CULTURAL DANCING

- > **1st:** Sinar Tari of SMK Seksyen 9 Shah Alam (Team Starbucks)
- > **2nd:** Astari of Sekolah Sultan Alam Shah (Team Berjaya UC)
- > **3rd:** Danzoners of SMJK Chung Hwa Klang (Team Starbucks)



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Berjaya Group founder Tan Sri Vincent Tan and Berjaya Corporate Communications senior manager Shirley Quah (second left) with winners of the solo singing category: (from left) Nisha Nabilla, Siti Erinshahira and Roxanne Lee.



Members of the overall team champion, Team Cosway.