



Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture  
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### Advisory Committee on Arts Established

The Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture has appointed an Advisory Committee on arts to act as a public oversight body that will oversee the programs implemented from state funds as well as to facilitate technical expertise and advice on arts policy. The Committee will also help to formulate a set of guidelines that will form the basis for an Arts Council Act.

According to the Ministry, once an Arts Council is established through an Act or by a Presidential Decree – as stipulated in the Government Strategic Action Plan 2011 – 2013, the Advisory Committee will be dissolved. In addition to formulating a draft of the Arts Council Act, the interim Advisory Committee will also advise the Ministry, the National Center for the Arts (NCA) and the National Art Gallery (NAG) in planning and implementing arts related programs and activities.

The Advisory Committee on the Arts comprise of the following members:

Mr. Mohamed Fayid Faoruk / M. Hulhanguge  
Ms. Fathimath Nahula / Ma. Kabeelaage  
Mr. Mohamed Niyaz / H. Lunchmead  
Mr. Ahmed Shujau / M. Alihandhuvaruge  
Mr. Mohamed Munthasir / H. Aasmaanuvilla  
Mr. Mohamed Ishan Saeed / M. Nirolhu  
Mr. Abdul Majid / G. Creamge  
Ms. Xiena Saeed / H. Meerubahuruge