

Giant graffiti murals brighten up Taipa village

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Local graffiti artist P.I.B.G. (Lam Ka Hou's tag which stands for Pat is Bombing Graffiti) presents his first solo exhibition to mark the official opening of the Taipa Village Art Space yesterday.

Titled "P.I.B.G.: On the Verge", the exhibition aims to merge the boundary between street art and conventional art by presenting graffiti both in the gallery and in the neighbourhood, according to a statement by João Ó, the exhibition curator.

Giant graffiti murals can be found on the exterior walls of the Taipa Village Art Space as well as nearby buildings. Being the first artist to exhibit since the gallery's official opening, P.I.B.G. hopes that his work can be accepted as a gift to the city, according to the exhibition pamphlet.

P.I.B.G. has been doing graffiti using the city as his canvas since the late 1990s.

In 2004, he founded Macau's first graffiti group GANTZ5 which has now become one of the most influential art groups in China.

The exhibition runs until January 8 and opens daily from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. except Mondays. The gallery is located in 10 Rua dos Clerigos, Taipa. Admission is free. ■



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