

Honours for 14 young M'sians

KUALA LUMPUR: Eight Malaysians, including actress-producer Datuk Michelle Yeoh, will receive "The Outstanding Young Malaysian Awards 2002" while six others will receive a certificate of merit for their contributions in various fields.

The awards presentation will be held at the Kuala Lumpur Mandarin Oriental on Aug 21.

Yeoh and Muzaffar Abdullah will receive "The Outstanding Young Malaysian Awards

2002" for their contributions to the cultural scene; Tatsun Hoi Tack Seng and Soh Yok Kin for their accomplishment in the business, economic and entrepreneurial sector; Leong Kin Mun for contributions to political, legal and government affairs; Jegathesan Kulasingam for humanitarian and voluntary service; Yap Wang Han for scientific and technological development; and Dr Dominic Lau Hoe Chai for personal development.

The six who will receive

certificates of merit are Liaw Choon Liang, for his role in the business sector; Yeo Liew Yian (cultural achievement), Soh Sheng Khung (moral and religious leadership), K. Balasubramaniam (voluntary service), Darren Aster Gunasekara (scientific and technological development), and Dr Dionysius S.K. Sharma (personal development).

Of the 14 recipients, one will be selected to represent the country for the Outstanding Young Persons of the

World Award at the Junior Chamber World Congress in Las Vegas at the end of November.

Junior Chamber Kuala Lumpur Mandarin president Aric Ng said at a press conference yesterday that the main sponsors for the awards presentation at the Kuala Lumpur Mandarin Oriental are The Merryfair Chair System Sdn Bhd, Inti Foundation, Osim Malaysia Sdn Bhd and BCB Bhd.

"The programme accords recognition to Malaysians

between the ages of 18 to 40, who are dedicated to their profession, resulting in exceptional achievement, and for contributing significantly to the progress of the community.

"The main objective of "The Outstanding Young Malaysian Awards 2002" is to attract public attention and to give proper recognition to the outstanding honourees and set inspirational examples and incentives for young Malaysians to forge ahead," he said.