TARI MAKEPUNG: SEBUAH REFLEKSI TRADISI BUDAYA MASYARAKAT JEMBRANA

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Abstract

Makepung is a Balinese term for denoting a buffalo race traditional held by the agricultural community of Jembrana regency. This race has become the characteristics of this regency with the name “Bumi Makepung”. This Makepung tradition has also inspired the local artist to create some dance creations, one of which is the Makepung dance. This is a new creation that reflects the process of the buffalo race, from its preparation and race itself. Makepung dance gets the sympathy of the local people because of its theme that reflects the Makepung traditions that can be seen from; its theme on Makepung; its vocabulary of movement mostly of the symbolic movement of the racers and their buffaloes; the costume worn in the dance are mostly of the accessories used by the racers and their buffaloes during the race; and the accompanying music of Makepung dance is the Jegog music instruments which is always used during the race. Seeing the above factors, it is can say that Makepung dance is a reflection of the Makepung cultural traditions of the local people of Jembrana.

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