

# **About the National Heritage Board**

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Blog: Yesterday.sg The National Heritage Board celebrated its 20th anniversary on 1 August 2013. This is an important milestone for us as we reflect on the last 20 years of development in Singapore's museum and heritage sector, and embark on the next chapter with fellow Singaporeans.

Since 1 August 1993, the NHB has been the guardian and champion of Singapore's history and heritage through the establishment of national museums and heritage institutions, the introduction of heritage trails, the preservation of national monuments, as well as the organising of numerous outreach programmes and festivals. Moving ahead, we will continue to preserve, conserve and create greater access to the nation's heritage for future generations.

# Snapshot of National Heritage Board museums and heritage institutions

The National Heritage Board (NHB) manages the following national museums and heritage institutions:

Asian Civilisations Museum
National Museum of Singapore
Peranakan Museum
Singapore Art Museum
Singapore Philatelic Museum
Reflections at Bukit Chandu
Malay Heritage Centre
Sun Yat Sen Nanyang Memorial Hall
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Flowers
1998, Singapore
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These stamps are scented.
Visitors can smell the scent
of flowers.

7 Haori with Kanji characters "Kenbo" written by Dr. Sun Yat Sen to Umeya Shokichi

Malay Medicine Man
Photo courtesy of the National
Museum of Singapore

# Calendar of Events



# Singapore Biennale 2013 If The World Changed

26 October 2013 - 16February 2014 Vernissage: 24 & 25 October 2013

Bras Basah. Bugis Precinct, Our Museum@ Taman Jurong

\$10 per adult

# \$5

per Student\* or Senior Citizen\* aged 60 and above (Non-Citizen/Permanent Resident)

If you could change the world, what would it look like?

The Singapore Biennale 2013 is the country's premier contemporary art exhibition. It returns this year with the title If the World Changed, and invites everyone to re-consider or re-imagine the world we live in.

Expect a diverse range of works from over 80 artists primarily with links to Southeast Asia, of which more than half are new commissions. The fourth edition of the Biennale draws on the expertise of twentyseven curators from across the region, presenting a diversity of artistic responses with a distinctive Southeast Asian voice.

Held in the vibrant arts and cultural district, the Bras Basah. Bugis precinct, the Singapore Biennale 2013 is organised by the Singapore Art Museum and supported by the Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth, National Arts Council and National Heritage Board in Singapore.

For more details, visit www.singaporebiennale.org

# **Admission Information**

- · Each ticket allows one-time entry to Singapore Biennale 2013 museum venues (including permanent galleries) and one complimentary Short Guide.
- Free admission for all visitors to Biennale artworks at Fort Canning Park, Our Museum @ Taman Jurong, National Library Building and Waterloo Centre.
- Free admission to all Biennale venues for visitors aged 6 years and below, full-time National Service men (NSF), teachers from local schools and senior citizens (age 60 and above) and students who are Singapore citizens or Permanent Residents.\*
- \*Please produce valid identification to enjoy concession or free admission.

# Bras Basah. Bugis precinct:

Fort Canning Park, National Library Building, National Museum of Singapore, Peranakan Museum, Singapore Art Museum (including SAM at 8Q), Singapore Management University, Waterloo Centre

# **Curators**

Seng Yu Jin Angkrit Ajchariyasophon Abraham Garcia Jr. Aminuddin TH Siregar "Ucok" Erin Gleeson Tan Boon Hui Aye Ko Tan Siuli Tamares Goh **David Chew** Misouda Heuangsoukkhoun Tay Swee Lin Charlie Co Michelle Ho **Charmaine Toh** Kawayan de Guia Khairuddin Hori Joyce Toh Tran Luong Fairuz Iman Ismail Mia Maria Faizal Sidik Nguyen Nhu Huy Naomi Wang Ark Fongsmut Claro Ramirez Yee I-Lann

# **Artists**

Joo Choon Lin

Khvay Samnang

Lai Chee Kien

Lam Hieu Thuan

Moon Kyungwon & Jeon

Toni Kanwa

KOMVNI

Joonho

Erica Lai

Lee Wen

Ahmad Abu Bakar Liao Jiekai Sai Hua Kuan Irwan Ahmett & Tita Salina Albert Samreth Hazel Lim Sookoon Ang Lim Shing Ee & Kazunori Tisna Sanjaya AX(iS) Art Project Takeishi Angie Seah Boo Junfeng Jeremy Sharma Nikki Luna Chi Too Manny Montelibano Shieko Reto **Sharon Chin** Kumari Nahappan Siete Pesos Chris Chong Chan Fui Nasirun Lerov Sofvan Kiri Dalena Ng Joon Kiat Shirley Soh Marisa Darasavath Krit Ngamsom Speak Cryptic Leslie de Chavez Nge Lay Prateep Suthathongthai Guo Yixiu Nguyen Huy An Svay Sareth Nguyen Oanh Phi Phi Iswanto Hartono & Rags Media **Talaandig Artists** Collective Nguven Thi Hoai Tho Grace Tan Adrian Ho Nguyen Tran Nam Royston Tan Dusadee Huntrakul Nguyen Trinh Thi Tan Wei Kheng Jainal Amambing **UuDam Tran Nguyen** Boonsri Tangtrongsin

> Anon Pairot, Kamin Lertchaiprasert, Patama Roonrakwit, Samart Suwannarat & Zcongklod Bangyikhan

Nipan Oranniwesna

**Bounpaul Phothyzan** Po Po Poodien

Urich Lau Eko Prawoto Le Brothers Anggun Priambodo Sean Lee François Roche

Rosid

Tay Bee Aye teamLab Tran Tuan Nopchai Ungkavatanapong Suzann Victor

Oscar Villamiel Vu Hong Ninh Ken + Julia Yonetani Mahardika Yudha Robert Zhao Renhui

ZNC

Zulkifli Yusoff

# Singapore Biennale 2013 Programmes

# **Artists and Curators in Conversation**

Saturday, 26 October 2013, 11am - 5pm Sunday, 27 October 2013, 12pm - 5pm Singapore Art Museum, National Museum of Singapore, Peranakan Museum Free with purchase of museum admission ticket

Join Singapore Biennale 2013 artists and curators as they reveal the processes behind their work in a series of illuminating talks and discussions throughout the exhibition's opening weekend.

# Public Performance: Mandi Bunga

Saturday, 26 October 2013, 6pm Venue to be announced Free admission

Witness this beautiful performance at sunset of a mass mandi bunga, or flower bath, by a group of approximately 100 collaborators led by artist, Sharon Chin. This performance is part of the artist's Biennale project located at the Singapore Art Museum.

# Film Screening: Asian Premiere of Memories of Overdevelopment Redux (1983-2013 version)

Saturday, 26 October 2013, 7pm Sunday, 27 October 2013, 2pm Singapore Art Museum, Moving Image Gallery Free admission (Limited spaces. Registration required.)

The never-ending film-in-progress by Filipino artist Kidlat Tahimik, featuring a post-screening discussion with the director.



# **Artists Workshops**

Saturdays, November 2013 – February 2014, 2pm - 4pm Singapore Art Museum, Glass Hall & Peranakan Museum

\$19 (Tickets available at the Singapore Art Museum and SISTIC)

Take part in a series of hands-on workshops led by the Singapore Biennale 2013 artists and explore their practice and works in the exhibition. These workshops will be held throughout the duration of the Biennale.

Limited spaces are available. For ticket availability at the door, please call SISTIC.

# The Mapping Series

Saturdays, November 2013 – February 2014, 2pm - 4.30pmSingapore Art Museum, Glass Hall & National Library Building, Level 1, Seminar Room Free admission

The Mapping Series of lectures and artist talks is jointly organised by the Singapore Art Museum and National Library Board, in conjunction with Singapore Biennale 2013. Engaging elements of social sciences, cultural anthropology and arts and design, this seven-session series encourages a multi-layered and multi-disciplinary exploration of some salient exhibition themes.

Registration is required. Visit www.singaporebiennale.org for registration details.



Nguyen, Waltz of the Machine Eauestrians The Machine Equestrians (detail), 2012, single-channel video, duration 3:00 mins, artist collection. Image courtesy of the artist.



# **Curator Tours**

Wednesdays, 6, 13 & 20 November, 4 & 18 December 2013, 7.30pm – 8.30pm Various Biennale venues

\$15 (Tickets available at the Singapore Art Museum, National Museum of Singapore, Peranakan Museum and SISTIC.)

Join the Singapore curators of the Biennale on special tours of selected artworks that focus on and examine specific themes explored in this Biennale.

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Khvay Samnang, Untitled, 2011-2013, 5-channel video. sound, edition of 3, artist collection. Image courtesy of the artist.

Date	Speaker & Topic	Venue
6 November 2013	Director Tour by Dr. Susie Lingham	Singapore Art Museum
13 November 2013	Art and Ego — Locating the Artist by David Chew	Singapore Art Museum
20 November 2013	Art and Essence — State of the "Material" by Tamares Goh	Singapore Art Museum
4 December 2013	Art and Displacement — Trapped: Our Cages Within by Khairuddin Hori and Naomi Wang	Singapore Art Museum
18 December 2013	Art and Communities — The More We Get Together by Fairuz Iman Ismail	Peranakan Museum

Limited spaces are available. For ticket availability at the door, please call SISTIC.

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# **Education & Outreach**

# **Educators' Training Sessions**

Monday, 18 November 2013, 3pm - 5pm\* Wednesday, 20 November 2013, 3pm - 5 pm\* Singapore Art Museum, Glass Hall Free admission

The Singapore Biennale 2013 educators' training sessions will familiarise educators with selected artworks and artists so that they can plan lessons on or school visits to the Biennale. Drawing on the inquiry-based approach to facilitate the appreciation of contemporary art, the sessions will also guide educators on how to make the best use of the Singapore Biennale 2013 Artist Folios and will include a tour of selected artworks.

\*Educators are required to sign up for one session only. All training sessions are for educators only. Free admission with limited spaces. Registration required. Please email your name, school, contact number, the subject you teach and the age of your students to nhb sam education@nhb.gov.sg



# **Tours and Talks for Teachers**

Thursday, 21 November 2013, 3pm - 4.30pm\* Thursday, 28 November 2013, 3pm - 4.30pm\* Singapore Art Museum Free admission

The Singapore Biennale 2013 tours and preview talks will give an overview of the artworks in the Biennale to educators who are preparing to bring students for a visit. Singapore Art Museum curators will explain key concepts and highlight selected works during these sessions.

\*Educators are required to sign up for one tour only. All tours and talks are for educators only. Free admission. Registration required. Please email your name, school, contact number, the subject you teach and the age of your students to nhb sam education@nhb.gov.sg

# **School Workshops**

Weekdays, 10am or 2.30pm Singapore Art Museum

Inspired by the artworks of the Singapore Biennale 2013, these educational workshops will offer students a multidisciplinary and holistic contemporary art experience. These workshops range from art-making sessions to speech and drama puppet shows that encourage originality and the development of language skills and self-confidence.

The School Workshops are available for school bookings only. Please download and complete the Educational Workshop Booking Form at www.singaporeartmuseum.sg under the School Programmes page or at www.singapore biennale.org and email it to nhb sam education@nhb. gov.sg. Each workshop is limited to a minimum of 20 and maximum of 40 participants per session.



Toni Kanwa, Cosmology of Life, 2013, installation, wood, dimensions variable, artist collection. Singapore Biennale 2013 commission. Image courtesy of the artist.

# **Young Art Writers Programme**

To stimulate critical and creative thinking about contemporary art, and encourage aspiring young writers, the Singapore Biennale developed the Young Art Writers Programme to provide students with a literary platform to respond to the exhibition artworks. In the programme, participants will work with recognised writers and curators, and selected pieces will be published in TODAY newspaper, as well as other online platforms.

For more details, visit www.singaporebiennale.org

# Artists-in-Schools

Hazel Lim

Erica Lai The Old Man and the Sea

> Singapore Art Museum at 8Q A Botanical and Wildlife Survey -

Taman Jurong Community Club

Singapore

Peranakan Museum

Tay Bee Aye Knot, Play, Rest

Zinc Nite Crew Gardens, by the Way

National Library Building,

Level 1 Concourse

As part of efforts to broaden the range of artistic projects in the Biennale, and to empower and engage students in the art-making process of the Biennale, Singapore Art Museum launched the Artists-in-Schools project in January 2013. In this project, students worked with local contemporary artists to create artworks responding to the Singapore Biennale title, If the World Changed.

In partnership with Singapore Art Museum, four artists and artist collectives — Erica Lai, Hazel Lim, Tay Bee Ave and Zinc Nite Crew (ZNC) — mentored and collaborated with students from local schools in art projects that explored topics such as environmentalism, biodiversity and community ties.

# Singapore Biennale 2013 App

Download the Singapore Biennale 2013 smartphone application to plan your visit, and find out more about the artists and artworks. Choose one of two programmed trails, or create your own by selecting your favourite artworks. Stand a chance to win exclusive Singapore Biennale merchandise in a quiz about the artworks!

The Singapore Biennale 2013 smartphone application is available for free download on iTunes and the Google Play store.

# Singapore Biennale 2013 Blog

An ongoing report of the Biennale, the Singapore Biennale 2013 blog hosts artist interviews, curator essays, articles and photographs contributed by arts administrators and members of the arts community, and many more enjoyable reads. Read more about the Biennale right now at singaporebiennale2013.tumblr.com

# **Artist Folios**

The Singapore Biennale 2013 Artist Folios are educational resources that educators, parents, students and art enthusiasts can use to explore and engage deeply with SB 2013 artworks. Each of the featured artists has a dedicated folio which contains write-ups on their practice and artwork, as well as suggested activities, discussion questions, further reading and viewing lists that audiences can use to plan or enhance their visit.

Visit www.singaporebiennale.org to download the free Artist Folios.





Asian Civilisations Museum · www.acm.org.sg

Now till 8 December 2013

Asian Civilisations Museum

Admission charges apply For thousands of years, the cultures of Asia have traded, interacted, and exchanged ideas. This exhibition focuses on the artistic results of these contacts. The objects show how religions moved from region to region, how special objects were eagerly sought in lands far away, and how new works of art were created by the blending of different traditions.

In many cases, objects were produced for trade and export. Other examples document the desire for beauty. The sheer joy and fascination with the exotic can also be witnessed in cross-cultural art. In many different ways, the encounters between cultures have shaped our world, and they affect the way objects look. Global networks of trade and communication were already active in Asia more than two thousand years ago. This exhibition draws from that long history, and provides the public an opportunity to see many of these new and diverse acquisitions for the first time.

Citizens and Permanent Residents (PRs) enjoy free admission to this exhibition.



Bowl with seated couple Iran, perhaps Kashan, Seljuk period, late 12th or early 13th century Frit body, diameter







Ritual food vessel (gui) China, Shaanxi province, early Western Zhou dynasty, late 11th to 10th century BC Bronze, 22.1 × 27.6 × 18.6 cm



Dragon robe China, Qing dynasty, early 18th century Brocaded silk, gold wrapped threads, 137.8 × 204 cm



Asian Civilisations Museum · www.acm.org.sg

# **Lacquer Across Asia**

Now till 9 February 2014

Asian Civilisations Museum

Admission charges apply



Covered box: lychees China, Ming dynasty, dated 1522 Carved lacquer, diameter 8.8 cm

Explore the art of lacquer from China and mainland Southeast Asia. A prized commodity traded and presented to dignitaries, lacquer is a precious material that signifies wealth and social standing. Different decorative techniques and styles were created in response to local needs and tastes. Chinese lacquer fashioned for literati and the imperial court, as well as Burmese and Thai examples made for Buddhist merit-making rituals, illustrate the wide variety.

Citizens and Permanent Residents (PRs) enjoy free admission to this exhibition.

# **Exploring the Cosmos:** The Stupa as a Buddhist **Symbol**

Now till 10 November 2013

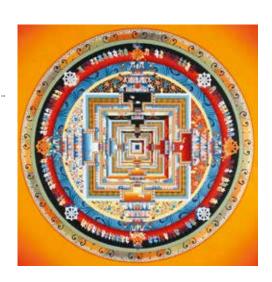
Asian Civilisations Museum

Free admission



Kalachakra mandala Himalayas, ca 2011 Watercolour and gold on canvas Gift of the former Prime Minister of Singapore, Mr Lee Kuan Yew

The stupa is the principal architectural form of Buddhism and is found across Asia. This exhibition features 29 works from the Asian Civilisations Museum's collection, covering a period from the 3<sup>rd</sup> to the 19th century, as well as a hanging mobile stupa by the internationally renowned Thai artist Jakkai Siributr.





# **ACM After Dark: Mystic Asia**

# **Devotion and Desire Festival**

Saturday, 26 October 2013 8pm - 12am

Asian Civilisations Museum

Free admission

The Asian supernatural comes to life at the museum after dark.

Be thrilled by activities and performances inspired by the objects from the galleries and Asian folklore. Enjoy a ghostly movie screening, hear haunting tales in the galleries, and make your own spooky souvenir to take home.

Saturday, 30 November 2013 1pm - 5pm

Asian Civilisations Museum

Free admission

Cultures converge at the Asian Civilisations Museum in a day of fun-filled programmes. From north to south, east to west: meet interesting characters in special tours or enjoy workshops and performances inspired by the Devotion and Desire collection.



# **Curator Tour -Devotion and Desire**

Fridays, 4 October & 6 December 2013 7.30pm -8.30pm

Asian Civilisations Museum

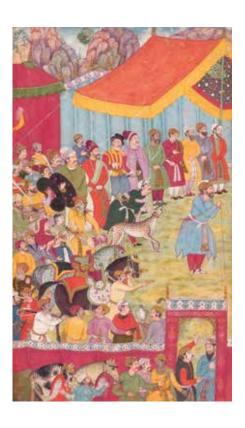
\$15 per person (Booking is required)

Presentation of a cheetah, from an Akbarnama, Mughal India, around 1595. Watercolour and gold on paper.

Join curator Clement Onn for an insider tour of the special exhibition, Devotion and Desire. Learn how the cultures of Asia have interacted with each other and the wider world, and see objects that were created from those contacts.

Asian Civilisations Museum · www.acm.org.sg

RSVP at nhb acm prog@nhb. gov.sg to reserve a space and pay on the day of the programme.



# Afternoon@ACM: **Start with Art**



Saturdays, 5 October. 2 November & 7 December 2013 2pm - 5pm

Asian Civilisations Museum

Programmes are complimentary with purchase of museum admission ticket

Families can interact with art and heritage in creative ways on this Saturday afternoon at the museum. Enjoy art from a different perspective through engaging tours, and explore our Cabinet of Curiosities to get up close and personal with our handling collection. Afterwards, create and bring home a craft inspired by Devotion and Desire.

Citizens and Permanent Residents (PRs) enjoy free admission to the Asian Civilisations Museum.



# **Lunchtime Concerts at ACM**

# **Drawing in the Galleries**

Fridays, 4, 11, 18 & 25 October, 1, 8 & 15 November 2013 12.30pm -1.30pm

Asian Civilisations Museum

Free admission

Featuring talented musicians from the Yong Siew Toh Conservatory of Music, the popular lunchtime concerts return in October to the Asian Civilisations Museum with exciting classical and jazz music from winds, strings, brass, and woodwinds.

Fridays, 25 October, 15 & 29 November 2013 6.45pm -8.45pm

Asian Civilisations Museum

\$15 per adult per session

\$40 for one-time booking of all three sessions (Booking is required)

Discover rich patterns and details in art and train your hand, eye, and mind in this series of drawing workshops for adults. An instructor will provide insights on drawing techniques based on the Devotion and Desire exhibition.

This series is open to participants of all drawing skill levels.

RSVP at nhb acm prog@nhb.gov.sg to reserve a space and pay on the day of the programme.



# Ilham Alam: Nature and Healing in the Malay World (Ilham Alam: Tradisi Perubatan Dunia Melayu)

Malay Heritage Centre · www.malayheritage.org.sg

Now till 5 January 2014

Malay Heritage Centre, Gallery 1 & 2

Admission charges apply The earliest medicines were derived from compounds of plants and animal parts. In spite of the advances of modern biomedicine, many communities around the world continue to rely on the traditional medical practices of their respective cultures. In fact, many herbal remedies have been lauded for their perceived "holistic" healing benefits, accessibility and affordability.

Ilham Alam: Nature and Healing in the Malay World examines the ways in which various historical Malay communities have harnessed the bounty of flora

and fauna to promote health and healing. It also explores the corpus of traditional Malay medicine as a specialised form of local knowledge especially in terms of early Malay conceptualisations of the human body as well as human relationships to the natural environment.

In partnership with the Singapore Botanic Gardens (NParks), the exhibition features an outdoor plant maze, rare artefacts and archival materials including 19th century Malay medicinal manuscripts and tools of trade of traditional Malay healers.

# Citizens and Permanent Residents (PRs) enjoy free admission to this exhibition.





Malay Medicine Man Photo courtesy of the National Museum of Singapore



# **Galleries Alive!: Kampong Gelam Tales** (A Dramatised Tour)

2 November & 25 December 2013 10am & 4pm

Malav Heritage Centre

Free admission

Journey through the galleries of Malay Heritage Centre with special characters and learn more about the history of Kampong Gelam and the Malay communities in Singapore!

Registration for performances and tours are required. To register, please email your contact details to NHB MHC Programmes@nhb.gov.sg

# Let's Play!

Tuesdays, Now till 25 March 2014 11am & 2pm

Malay Heritage Centre

Free admission

Learn more about traditional Malay games at the Malay Heritage Centre! Learn skills you will need for the wau (traditional Malay kites), main lereng (wheel spinning), congkak (traditional Malay board game), batu serembat (five stones) and more! This 45 minutes workshop will also invite participants to create and bring home their own traditional games through fun craft activities.

Walk-ins are welcome. Registration is required for group bookings. For more information about the games available or registration, please call 6391 0450 or email nhb mhc programmes@nhb.gov.sg



# **Public Lecture Series Satu: Malay in Episodes**

Selected Saturdays 2pm - 3.30pm

Malay Heritage Centre, Auditorium

Free admission

Public Lecture Series Satu is an annual monthly lecture series which features topics related to the Malay Heritage Centre's permanent galleries as presented by academics, community and cultural leaders. This year's theme, Customarily 'Melayu', explores how adat relates to the understanding of Malay culture and the formation of Malay identity as a whole. Upcoming lectures below:

The Malay Heritage Centre reserves the right to change the schedule of the lectures. Registration is required for all lectures. To register, please email your name and contact details to NHB MHC Programmes@nhb.gov.sg

Adat (Malay Custom) & Music by Dr Margaret Kartomi (in English) Saturday, 12 October 2013

Drawing on Dr. Kartomi's ethnomusicological expertise, particularly with regards to her fieldwork in Riau and Sumatra, the talk is aimed at examining the concept of *adat* in relation to traditional Malay music. Dr Kartomi is a Professor of Music at the Faculty of Arts, Monash University. With a particular interest in Indonesia, her research focuses on the representations of identity through music which includes studies on performance, instruments, lyrical texts, sound and visual art as expressive modes of ethnicity, gender, religion, and history.

Jalan Kubor, Kampong Gelam: Pusara Bersejarah Singapura (Singapore's Historic Cemetery: Jalan Kubor, Kampong Gelam) (in Malay) Saturday, 2 November 2013

The talk will re-acquaint participants with one of the oldest cemeteries in Singapore. Dr Imran is an Assistant Professor at the Department of Architecture, School of Design & Environment, National University of Singapore. His scholarship complements morphological studies on historically cosmopolitan settlements and sites with analyses on these locations' social histories.





Landscape Cheong Soo Pieng (1917-1983) Oil on canvas Image © National Collection, Singapore



# A Changed World: Singapore Art 1950s-1970s

25 October 2013 -16 March 2014 10am - 7pm

National Museum of Singapore, Exhibition Gallery 2, **Basement** 

Free admission

A Changed World explores the development of Singapore art in light of the rapid changes that took place in Singapore after World War II. It charts the artists' own engagement with changes in Singapore's political, economic, social and urban landscape, and how they expressed their responses through their art. The exhibition spans Singapore's immediate post-war period, from which both an artistic and national consciousness began to emerge, to the 1970s, when a Singaporean identity came to be solidified while artists adopted a new pictorial language that was more international. The exhibition will feature over 120 paintings, drawings, prints and sculptures from the National Collection.

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Moon Over Malaya Image courtesy of the family of Ho Kian-ngiap



# The Story of Kong Ngee 《光艺的故事》

In Cantonese with English Subtitles

10 October 2013 - 20October 2013 Various Timings

National Museum of Singapore, Gallery Theatre, Basement

# \$9

(includes SISTIC handling fees; concessions available)

Amongst the Chinese movie moguls to have emerged from Singapore after the Second World War, Run Run Shaw of Shaw Organisation and Loke Wan Tho of Cathay Organisation are the most frequently cited examples. Few have heard about the glorious journey of the Ho family's Kong Ngee Company Limited, which went from film distribution to owning cinema halls across Southeast Asia and eventually making films through the Kong Ngee Film Company.

National Museum of Singapore · www.nationalmuseum.sg

The Story of Kong Ngee charts the rise and fall of the Ho brothers' film studio and how they came to dominate the Chinese film circuit with a successful venture into motion picture production. A special showcase of 15 Cantonese films made by Kong Ngee during the 1950s

and 1960s, including the famed "Nanyang Trilogy", offers visions and memories of Singapore in the past which continue to resonate in the present. From detective mysteries to melodramas and romantic comedies, Kong Ngee films reflect an exuberant modernity, launching the careers of celebrated movie stars such as Patsy Kar Ling, Nam Hung and Patrick Tse Yin. The Story of Kong Ngee offers a glimpse into the studio's distinguished output, with a series of films that exemplify the unique artistic heritage that Kong Ngee sought to contribute to the film industries of Hong Kong and Singapore.

For more information and the full film schedule, please visit www.nationalmuseum.sg/



Moon Over Malaya Image courtesy of the family of Ho Kian-ngiap

TheStoryOfKongNgee

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# **Special Guided Tour with Curator**

By Szan Tan, Senior Curator, National Museum of Singapore

Thursday, 28 November 2013 7.30pm – 9pm

Mational
Museum of
Singapore
Meeting point:
Entrance of
Exhibition
Gallery 2,
Basement

Free admission

What place does abstract art and Chinese ink painting have in the history of Singapore's visual art and her historical development? And what is the relationship between Western abstraction and Chinese ink painting? What are the sources of inspiration for the works of second-generation artists in Singapore? Join Szan Tan, co-curator of the exhibition A Changed World: Singapore Art 1950s–1970s in a special tour as she journeys through their works and analyse their individual responses to the changed world around them in the late 1960s to 1970s. Szan has worked as a curator since 1997 and has an interest in paintings, textiles and folk cultures.

Limited to 30 participants per tour. Registration is required. To register, please email your contact details to nhb\_nm\_lectures@nhb.gov.sg



A Clear Day
Yeo Hoe Koon
(b. 1935)
Oil on canvas
c. 1976–1978
Image © National
Collection,
Singapore





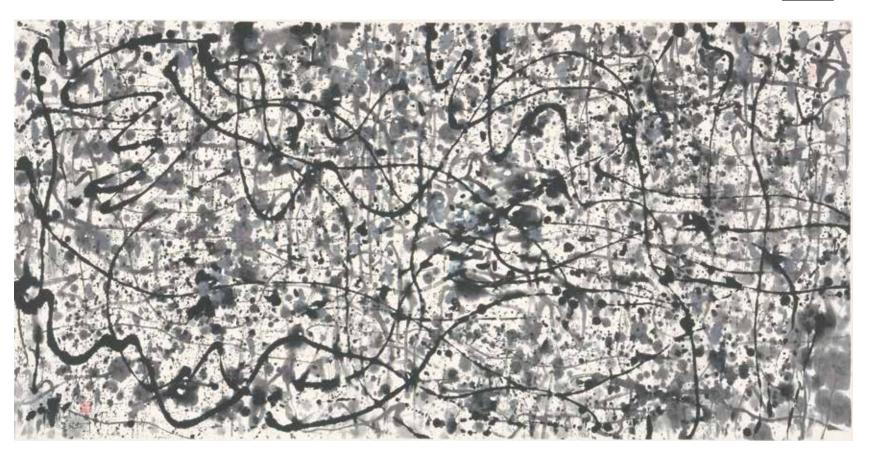
# **Straits Family Sunday**

Sundays, 13 October, 10 November & 8 December 2013 1pm – 5pm

Peranakan Museum

Programmes are complimentary with purchase of museum admission ticket Join us on the second Sunday of every month for this drop-in programme. Craft something to take home with you based on the museum's collection, or go on a special, themed tour of the galleries. Dress up with the whole family in a batik shirt or sarong kebaya. See the handling collection up close or relax with a good book in our reading corner. Enjoy a fun-filled Sunday for the whole family at the Peranakan Museum.

Citizens and Permanent Residents (PRs) enjoy free admission to the Peranakan Museum.



Wu Guanzhong, Wild Vines with Flowers like Pearls, 1997, ink on paper,  $89 \times 179$  cm, gift of the artist, collection of National Heritage Board

# In/sight: Abstract Art by Wu Guanzhong and Artists from Southeast Asia

Now till 30 April 2014

Singapore Art Museum

Admission charges apply How does the abstraction of Wu Guanzhong relate to the abstraction of artists in Southeast Asia? This exhibition, titled In/sight: Abstract Art by Wu Guanzhong and Artists from Southeast Asia, presents a selection of abstract works from the national collection to illustrate the diverse motivations for abstraction amidst distinct and varied backgrounds.

Singapore Art Museum · www.singaporeartmuseum.sg

Wu Guanzhong (1919-2010), one of the foremost painters in Chinese modern art, was a leading exponent of abstraction in China. Wu saw form as an important component in appreciating a work of art, seeing beauty in formal visual elements like line, shape, colour, texture and composition. These were of critical concern, much more than subject matter and physical resemblance to an object in reality.

This focus on form is likewise evident in the abstract works of artists in Southeast Asia. Many artists in Southeast Asia engaged with abstraction as part of their grappling with the modernisation of art in their local contexts. Works by Southeast Asian artists such as Anthony Poon, Latiff Mohidin, Ahmad Sadali and Damrong Wong-Uparaj will also be featured in the exhibition.

This is a special research exhibition by the National Art Gallery, Singapore, held on the premises of the Singapore Art Museum.

Citizens and Permanent Residents (PRs) enjoy free admission to this exhibition.

# **Not Against Interpretation: Untitled**

Now till 27 April 2014

Singapore Art Museum

Admission charges apply While the appreciation of art has largely been perceived to be a visual affair, it is also a process that is often mediated by text. After all, artistic intentions and artwork subject matter are frequently conveyed to viewers through words, writings, and most of all, artwork titles.

If names matter, what can we say about untitled artworks that seem to say nothing, or quite possibly everything? To what extent do text and image attach meaning to art? Without titles and established commentaries, is it yet possible to gain a genuine encounter with art?

Untitled, the second edition in the Singapore Art Museum's Not Against Interpretation exhibition series, draws from a selection of the National Heritage Board collection of works by Singapore artists that are untitled.

to this exhibition.

While artists' motivations for presenting their works as untitled ones may vary, many untitled works are frequently meant to allow viewers to own perspectives. Besides artistic intent, viewers' interpretations of artworks also play a

Not Against Interpretation is an experimental platform aimed at nurturing appreciation for contemporary art, and invites visitors to interpret the artworks in their own way based on their experiences with the artists' works.

of contemporary art.

discover meaning through their significant role in the definition of an artwork. In this exhibition, visitors are welcome to suggest suitable titles, placed alongside the artwork, as part of the exhibition objectives of opening up new readings in the experience

Citizens and Permanent Residents (PRs) enjoy free admission





Installation shot of Untitled by Angeline Choo Ai Loon





# **Snakes** and Ladders

Now till 10 November 2013

Singapore Philatelic Museum

Admission charges apply Did you know that snakes cannot move backwards and they have very poor hearing? With limited eyesight and hearing, snakes have developed a very good sensing tongue. Discover more interesting facts and myths about this scaly but not slimy creature through stamps and interactive displays at this exhibition held in the children's gallery. The exhibition is held in conjunction with the zodiac year of the snake.

Citizens and Permanent Residents (PRs) enjoy free admission to this exhibition.

# **Spice Is Nice**

Now till May 2014

Singapore Philatelic Museum

Admission charges apply "Spice Is Nice" exhibition traces the vovages of discovery, the history of the spice trade and its impact on Singapore, traditional cures and flavours of regional cuisine.

During the 15th to 17th century, European countries such as Spain, Portugal and the Netherlands sent ships and men to track down the origins of spices.

Learn about some of the explorers (Christopher Columbus, Vasco da Gama and Ferdinand Magellan) who made significant contributions to the discovery of the origins of spices, and in the process, discovered new lands and people.

Experience life at sea as encountered by early immigrants from Southern China — in a recreated dark and cramped cargo hold of a ship, complete with sound effects and creepy pests. Touch, feel and smell spices that are commonly used in Singapore such as pepper, cinnamon, clove and nutmeg. Did you know that some of these spices were once worth their weight in gold? Find out interesting trivia about these spices.

Discover the areas of crop cultivation in Singapore for gambier, pepper, nutmeg, sugarcane, coconut and lemongrass in the mid-late 1800s. Then, learn about notable people associated with spice and other crops. They include José Almeida, Syed Sharif Omar Aljunied, Tan Tock Seng, among others.

Citizens and Permanent Residents (PRs) enjoy free admission to this exhibition.





# Seeing is Believing: Unusual Stamps

5 December 2013 - May 2014

Singapore Philatelic Museum

Admission charges apply Have you seen stamps that are made of materials other than paper? Come and view a display of unusual stamps from Singapore and overseas from the museum's permanent collection. Discover quirky features on these little treasures that tickle your five senses of sight, smell, hearing, taste and touch.

Put your nose to stamps that smell of familiar scents like flower, coffee and chocolate. Feel stamps made of different materials such as flockage, wood, silk and lace. See stamps that glow in the dark and those that feature 3D images. Listen to stamps that can play the national anthem, folk songs, or narrate a poem. There are even stamps that taste of chocolate!

Don't believe what you had just read? Come and see the exhibition for yourself!

Citizens and Permanent Residents (PRs) enjoy free admission to this exhibition.





Flowers 1998, Singapore Singapore Philatelic Museum Collection These stamps are scented. Visitors can smell the scent of flowers.





Saturday, 12 October 2013 10am - 12pm

Singapore Philatelic Museum

\$20 per parent-child pair

Join us as we explore the interesting and attractive Spice Is Nice exhibition, and go on a walk to Fort Canning Garden to learn about spices, their origins and uses. Complete a special origami spice frame to take home. Great for parent and child bonding!

This programme is recommended for adults and children aged between 5 to 12 years old. All children must be accompanied by an adult. This programme runs with a minimum of 7 persons and a maximum of 15 persons. To register, please contact Laura Tan at 6513 7348 or email: Laura Tan@nhb.gov.sg



Lace 2000, Switzerland Singapore Philatelic Museum Collection This stamp is made of lace material. Visitors can see it up close and find out how this lace stamp is made.

# November - December 2013 School Holiday Programmes





# Overnight Adventure at Singapore Philatelic Museum



19 November & 4 December 2013 10am – 12pm

Singapore Philatelic Museum

**\$15** per person

Visit the *Spice Is Nice* galleries and learn about early explorers. Find out how spices can be used as traditional cures and in regional cuisine.

Go on a walking trail to Fort Canning Park to see spice plants and then create a special spice craft.

This programme is recommended for children aged between 7 to 12 years old. For more details, please contact Laura Tan at 6513 7348 or email: Laura Tan@nhb.gov.sg Session 1: Thursday, 21 November 2013, 6pm – Friday, 22 November 2013, 9am

Session 2: Thursday, 5 December 2013, 6pm – Friday, 6 December 2013, 9am

Singapore Philatelic Museum Check-in at the Singapore Philatelic Museum for a night of adventure, games and craft! Meet new friends, learn about the 'King of Hobbies' and enjoy the rare opportunity of sleeping among stamps! Bring along a sleeping bag, jacket, pyjamas, fresh change of clothing and toiletries. Includes dinner, supper and breakfast.

This programme is recommended for children aged between 7 to 12 years old. For more details, please contact Lily at 65137347 or email: Lily\_Samuel@nhb.gov.sg

\$80 per person



# **Mailboxes**

27 November & 12 December 2013 10am – 12pm

Singapore Philatelic Museum

**\$25** per person

Have you ever wondered what the inside of a postbox looks like? View miniature postboxes from around the world, discover interesting facts about postboxes, and find out how mail is delivered. You can also paint and decorate your very own tin mailbox!

This programme is recommended for children aged between 7 to 12 years old. For more details, please contact Lily at 6513 7347 or email: Lily\_Samuel@nhb.gov.sg



3 & 13 December 2013 10am — 12pm

Singapore Philatelic Museum

\$15 per person Do you know that not all stamps are printed on paper? Some are made of unusual materials like wood, lace, foil, and some even smell like chocolate! Explore these exciting stamps then design your very own unusual stamp!

This programme is recommended for children aged between 7 to 12 years old. For more details, please contact Lily at 6513 7347 or email: Lily\_Samuel@nhb.gov.sg

Haori with Kanii characters "Kenbo" written by Dr. Sun Yat Sen to Umeya Shokichi

# Wan Qing CultureFest 2013

8 November 2013 -1 December 2013 10am - 5pm

Sun Yat Sen Nanyang Memorial Hall

**Programmes** are complimentary with purchase of museum admission ticket

The Wan Qing CultureFest is back to inject more life and excitement to the Balestier district! Look out for an exciting line-up of performances by students and Singapore artistes, public lectures, craft demonstrations, music, dance, games and more as we deliver memorable cultural treats in an educational and fun manner for you and your family. Celebrate cultural diversity at the Sun Yat Sen Nanyang Memorial Hall this November as we delve into interesting topics relating to Chinese history and culture through more than 20 different activities. All activities are free but registration may be required for some programmes. For more details, visit www.wanqingyuan.org.sg

Sun Yat Sen Nanyang Memorial Hall · www.wanqingyuan.org.sg

Citizens and Permanent Residents (PRs) enjoy free admission to the Sun Yat Sen Nanyang Memorial Hall.





# **Curator Tours**

# **Kindred Spirits:** Dr. Sun Yat Sen, Singapore and Japan

Now till 1 December 2013

Sun Yat Sen Nanyang Memorial Hall

Admission charges apply Kindred Spirits is an exhibition on Dr. Sun Yat Sen and his supporters in Japan and Singapore. It highlights the roles the two countries played in Dr. Sun's revolutionary activities, and showcases close to 90 rare artefacts which are on display in Singapore for the first time. This exhibition is presented by the memorial hall in partnership with Miyazaki Brothers Museum (Arao), Nagasaki Museum of History & Culture, Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall (Kobe), Ms. Kosaka Ayano, Dr. Nakano Masahiko and the family of Miyazaki Toten, with the support from the Embassy of Japan in Singapore, the Japanese Association, Singapore and Friends of Museum (Singapore), Japanese Docents.

Citizens and Permanent Residents (PRs) enjoy free admission to this exhibition.

9 & 17 November 2013

2pm - 4pm

Sun Yat Sen Nanyang Memorial Hall

Admission charges apply

Join the Sun Yat Sen Nanyang Memorial Hall's curator for an insider tour of the special exhibition, Kindred Spirits. Discover the roles Singapore and Japan played in Dr. Sun Yat Sen's revolutionary activities, and hear the stories behind

these artefacts.

Registration is required. To register, please email: NHB WQY@nhb.gov.sg to reserve a space and pay on the day of the programme.

# **Heritage Collection** by Banyan Tree

Address: National Museum of Singapore 93 Stamford Road #01-03 Singapore 178897

Tel: (65) 6336 3670 Email: gallery-nm@ banyantree.com Website: btheritagecollection.com

Opening Hours: Mon – Sun: 10am - 7pm (Til 9pm on Fridays)

Heritage Collection by Banyan Tree is a brain child of Banyan Tree Gallery to promote and preserve Asia's cultural legacy through tourism retailing. This lifestyle-themed shop showcases Asia's rich and diverse cultural heritage through unique gifts, ethnic style apparels and elegant homeware designed to inspire, educate and excite the imagination of museum visitors of all ages. Choose from a variety of products ranging from stationery collections featuring Old Singapore images to accessories inspired by the beauty and elegance of Singapore's national flower, Vanda Miss Joaquim.

# **True Blue Shoppe** @ Peranakan Museum

Tradition in a bag!

Address: 39 Armenian Street Singapore 179941

Tel: (65) 6337 7454 Website: www.truebluecuisine.com

**Opening Hours:** Mon - Sun: 10am - 7pm (Till 9pm on Fridays)

You can't take the Peranakan Museum home, but vou can take away the best of all things Peranakan just by visiting the charming True Blue Shoppe.

Located near the entrance of the Peranakan Museum, True Blue Shoppe is a treasure trove of traditional sarongs, fine antique jewellery, porcelain in the vibrant hues Peranakans are famous for, and true blue souvenirs every Peranakan lover would appreciate.











# **Select Books**

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Select Books and Cafe Address: 51 Armenian Street Singapore 179939

Tel: (65) 6337 9319 Website: selectbooks. com.sg

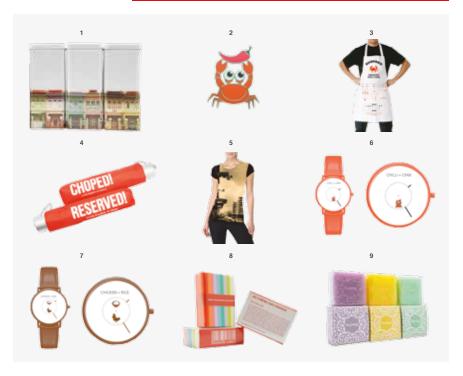
Opening Hours: Mondays -Saturdays: 9.30am -6.30pm Sundays: 10am - 4pm

Select Books is one of Southeast Asia's oldest and best-known independent bookshops. Set up in 1976, it is recognised around the world as the leading bookstore for titles on the region. Its new location at 51 Armenian Street features a wide and eclectic collection of books on Asian art, culture, history and society, as well as literary works from prominent writers from this part of the world. Together with titles on regional cuisine (including cookbooks), flora and fauna, performing arts and children's stories. Select is an indispensable destination for book lovers and anyone who wants to understand more about Southeast Asia.

Address: #01-04, 8 Queen Street

Email: info@ supermama.sg SUPERMAMA is a retail gallery that collects and curates beautiful objects from around the world for people in Singapore. They range from brass stationery, handcrafted ceramics, picture books that give a different perspective to handmade bowties and many more. Located at the heart of the city centre, SUPERMAMA hopes to be a place for anyone to find peace and their quiet moments to take in the little vet beautiful creation in life. Come on in and take in the mama experience!

# **SINGAPORE SOUVENIRS**



Besides sharing the same acronym commonly known by many as the Great Singapore Sale-an annual shopping season in Singapore, Great Singapore Souvenirs celebrates Singapore through the exploration of local guirks and habits, and re-interprets them into merchandise that everyone can shop for and have fun with. This collection is about meaningful and iconic souvenirs that are unique to Singapore's heritage, culture and the Singaporean identity and lifestyle.

- 1 Shophouse Tin Can
- 2 Chilli + Crab Pin
- 3 Chilli Crab Recipe Apron
- 4 Choped! Umbrella
- 5 1960s Flats in Singapore Tee
- 6 Chilli + Crab Watch
- 7 Chicken + Rice Watch
- 8 Jiu Cheng Gao Eraser
- 9 Sayang Soap



MUSEUM LABEL tells the Singapore story through merchandise inspired by Singapore's national collection and our heritage of art and culture, through well-designed everyday objects to enrich everyone's life, everyday, everywhere.



# **PATTERNS** OF **HERITAGE**



Patterns of Heritage is a series of merchandise inspired by the prints of the artefacts in Singapore's national collection, showing the deep roots of today's globalised world and the amazing impact of cultural exchange.

# Indian Prints

Loved for their bright and unfading colours, Indian textiles became treasured heirlooms, passed down from generation to generation. Their popularity and profound influence left an indelible mark, not only on the way we do business, but also on how we dress ourselves and decorate our homes.

# Peranakan Prints

Beadwork is an important element in Peranakan fashion. Designs may be inspired by China, local tastes, or the West. This crosscultural mix is what makes for the beauty and wonder of the Peranakan world. Such is the inspiration behind the Museum Label collection, reflecting the multiplicity that is Singapore today.

Patterns of Heritage Series: Umbrellas Mini Gusset Bag L-Shaped Folders Epoxy Magnet Sets Coaster Sets Mugs Carpet Bookmarks

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# ASIAN CIVILISATIONS MUSEUM

1 Empress Place, Singapore 179555 Tel: 6332 7798

# **Bar Opiume**

An elegant bar that offers a spectacular view of the Singapore River and a stunning skyline. Excellent spot for chilling out and people-watching.

Tel: 6339 2876

Mon – Thu: 5pm – 2 am Fri & Sat: 5pm – 3am Sun: 5pm - 1am

# Siem Reap II

Enjoy café-style alfresco dining in a relaxed and comfortable setting. Feast on your favourite Asian fusion cuisine while taking in a panoramic vista of the Singapore River.

# Waterfront Restaurant

Fine-dine in a grand atmosphere of chandeliers, Buddha statues and rare antiques with the restaurant's authentic Indochinese cuisine. Impress your guests with this gastronomic experience.

Fri & Sat: 6.30pm - 12.30am



# NATIONAL MUSEUM OF SINGAPORE

93 Stamford Road, Singapore 178897 Tel: 6332 3659



# Chef Chan's Restaurant

Enjoy fine Cantonese cuisine in an ambience reminiscent of China's noblemen of old. Aptly located in the National Museum, among centuries-old wooden partitions, antique sideboards with deep carvings, metal and wooden motif screens, art deco golden chandeliers, exquisite jade and silver table settings, Chef Chan offers a unique dining experience in a beautifully traditional setting.

Tel: 6333 0073 www.chefchanrestaurant.com.sg

Mon-Sun: Lunch: 11.45am - 2.30pm Dinner: 6.15pm - 9.30pm

Dim Sum, Lunch (6 set menus), Lunch & Dinner À la Carte. Dinner (6 set menus). Reservations preferred. Now also open on Sunday.



Named in 2013 as one of the '101 Best Restaurants in Asia', Flutes presents a modern European inspired smart casual dining experience with a menu featuring the favourite foods of Oueen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth II. Enjoy a delectable range of Devonshire teas complete with clotted cream each afternoon in the spaces where Singapore's history comes alive. Flutes' hallmark - good food, good wines, excellent service, and great ambience!

Tel: 6338 8770 www.flutes.com.sg

Mon – Thu: 11.30am - 10pm (last orders) Fri: 11.30am – 10.30pm (last orders) Sat: 10am - 10.30pm (last orders) Sun: 10am – 5pm (last orders)

Executive Lunch or À la carte Daily English Afternoon Tea À la carte Dinner or The Chef's Table with Wine Pairing Option Weekend Relaxing Brunch, Sunday Roast





# **Food For Thought**

Food For Thought's latest branch at the National Museum of Singapore balances nostalgia with innovation in its menu offerings as well as restaurant design. The food is inspired by modern Singapore, created with bold Southeast Asian flavours lavered with globalised influences, tasted in dishes like the chwee kueh inspired Brown Buttered Chye Poh Prawn Salad and Pancakes with Mee Chiang Kueh Butter and Spiced Gula Melaka Syrup.

Tel: 6338 9887 Email: together@foodforthought.com.sg

Mon – Sun: 10am – 10pm (last orders at 9pm)

# PERANAKAN MUSEUM

Tel: 6332 7591



# **True Blue Cuisine**

through the restaurant's charming delicacies, based on recipes

Email: stfrancisent@yahoo.com



# **True Blue Pantry**

the museum. True Blue Pantry offers fruit juices, floral teas, local coffee and soft drinks. If you need a light bite, try their nyonya



# Le Bistrot **Du Sommelier**

as the Veal Trotter stuffed with sweetbreads. The newly opened available for take away or to be

# SINGAPORE ART MUSEUM

71 Bras Basah Road, Singapore 189555 Tel: 6332 3222

# Trattoria Lafiandra

Owned by Chef Cataldo and Brenda Lafiandra, the 42-seater Trattoria Lafiandra al Museo has an extensive selection of antipasti, homemade pasta, risotto and main courses, offering a wide and exciting selection of Italian fare.

Tel: 6884 4035 www.lafiandra.com.sg

Mon – Sun: 11.30am – 3pm; 6pm - 11pm



# **Dôme Café**

Dôme introduces a rustic coffee haven for executives on the go. Relax in style with al fresco dining or choose a speedy take away. Dôme offers a comprehensive range of freshly baked breads, pastries, cakes and pizzas which complement our range of gourmet coffees. Signature items include Focaccia Gourmet Sandwiches, Dôme Gourmet Pie, Caesar Salad and Chocolate Brownies.

Tel: 6339 0792 www.dome.sg

Mon – Sun: Lunch: 12pm – 2.30pm Dinner: 6pm - 10.30pm



brews in a homely environment are best served with a dash of great company. Kick-start your mornings or rev up your engines for the rest of the work day at this cozy café where smiles matter as much as what's on the menu.

Tel: 8389 7877 www.7kickstart.com

Mon – Fri: 8am – 6pm Sat: 9.30am - 5pm Sun & Public Holidays: Closed





# **SINGAPORE ART MUSEUM AT 8Q**

8 Queen Street, Singapore 188535 Tel: 6332 3200





# fast Food For Thought

Standing Sushi Bar

Opened on 1 June 2013, fast Food For Thought (fFFT) is a reboot of the previous Food For Thought at 8Q. fFFT is a burger shack that serves fast food favourites with a difference. Burgers here are served on fresh baked potato buns, topped with quality meats and sauces made from scratch. Milkshakes are thick with real milk and ice-cream. Must-tries include the kopi-gao shake, peanut butter banana trifle and slow-roasted pulled pork burger.

www.foodforthought.com.sg www.facebook.com/fastFFT

Tue - Sun: 11am - 7pm

Beautifully-sliced, perfectly-formed, deliciouslymade... Every piece of sushi at Standing Sushi Bar is a piece of art. Indulge in sake, enjoy a few sticks of robatayaki, and delight in our sushi selections. Fresh fish, every day.

www.standingsushibar.com

Mon-Sun: Lunch: 12pm – 2.30pm Dinner: 6pm - 10.30pm

# **National Heritage Board milestones**

2013 — Celebrating 20 years of heritage with you.

Since 1 August 1993, the National Heritage Board has been making heritage accessible and enjoyable for all. Relive our memorable journey with these significant NHB milestones over the last 20 years.

The Birth of NHB

1996

Singapore Art Museum opens

Launch of Singapore's first National Heritage Trail — Civic District Trail

1998

National Archives of Singapore moves to its new home at Canning Rise

Asian Civilisations Museum opens at Armenian Street

2000

Heritage Conservation Centre opens, Singapore Philatelic Museum joins NHB

2002

Reflections at **Bukit Chandu** opens

2003

Asian Civilisations Museum relocates to **Empress Place** 

2008

Peranakan Museum and SAM at 8Q open, and Night Festival is launched

2006

Memories at Old Ford Factory opens and the National Museum of Singapore re-opens 2004 Launch of

Singapore HeritageFest

2013

2009

Preservation of Monuments Board and Heritage Institutions join NHB

Groundbreaking ceremony of the National Art Gallery, Singapore

2011

Launch of first community museum — Our Museum @ Taman Jurong

All Citizens and Permanent Residents (PRs) enjoy free\* admission to the national museums and heritage institutions.

\*Selected special exhibitions are chargeable. Please approach museums' front desks for more information.

# Free admission for all!

Open House Days at all National Heritage Board museums and institutions:

- 2 November 2013 Deepavali Open House
- 25 December 2013 Christmas Day Open House

# Civilisations Museum



**National** 

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South Asia, West Asia, and the Peranakan world through the museum's collection of works of art and a varied exhibition programme.

Explore Southeast Asia, China,

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# Address 1 Empress Place,

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redefine conventional museum

\$5 for foreign seniors aged 60

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Singapore History and Living

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experience.

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93 Stamford Road,

Singapore 178897

**Admission Charges** 

Adult: \$10

www.nationalmuseum.sg

Tel: 6332 3659

Housed in a magnificently restored colonial building by the • Adult: \$8

Singapore River, the Asian and the Peranakan Museum Civilisations Museum traces the rich artistic heritage of Asia, are also available. especially Singapore's diverse

The National Museum of Singapore admission to permanent

of 10 National Treasures, and its Free admission to Singapore

is the nation's oldest museum with galleries and selected

Galleries adopt cutting-edge and 6pm – 8pm daily.

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Free guided tours from Mon –

Sun. Please call 6332 3659

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By Bus Please enquire at the museum's front desk.

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above, and foreign students. By MRT Free admission for all Citizens
 The Asian Civilisations Museum and Permanent Residents is a 5-minute walk from (PRs), and visitors aged 6 years Raffles Place MRT station.

# **Admission Charges**

Free guided tours from Mon – Sun.

Please call 6332 7798

Opening Hours Mon - Sun: 10am - 7pm Joint admission tickets to ACM (Till 9pm on Fridays) Getting there

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**Singapore** Museum

The Singapore Art Museum

advocates and presents the

art in the present moment. It

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Singapore, Southeast Asia and

Asia, situating them within the

global context of art making

today. SAM has built up one of

contemporary art from the

to introduce new artistic

practices and styles to the

public, as well as nurturing

organiser of the Singapore

edition in 2011.

Biennale 2013 and the past

Discover the world through the

postage stamp! Postage stamps

are miniature pieces of art that

country. Singapore Philatelic

Museum is the first of its kind in

Singapore's philatelic heritage

and postal artefacts since the

museum's colourful and cosy

galleries, families and children

such as nature, culture and

visitors can view some of the

finest and most comprehensive

collections of early Singapore

from the 1830s to post-

independence.

can find out how stamps are a

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Foreign students: \$5

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Free admission for all Citizens

and Permanent Residents (PRs)

and visitors aged below 3 years.

Address

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Opening Hours

Getting there

By Bus

Free guided tours from

Mon - Sun: 10am - 7pm

(till 9pm on Fridays)

Mon - Sun. Please call 6332

3222 or 6332 3200 to enquire.

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 MRT station and a 10-minute and Permanent Residents walk from Dhoby Ghaut, Bugis or (PRs), and visitors aged 6 years City Hall MRT stations.

Opening Hours Singapore and other countries at Mon: 1pm - 7pm Tue - Sun: 9.30am - 7pm

# Getting there By Bus

Alight along Hill Street or North Bridge Road. SBS: 2, 12, 32, 33, 51, 63, 80, 124, 145, 147, 166, 174, 197 SMRT: 61

By MRT The Singapore Philatelic Museum is a 5-minute walk from Bras

Basah MRT station and a 10-minute walk from City Hall or Clarke Quay MRT stations.

# Sun Yat Sen Memorial Hall

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Tue - Sun: 10am - 5pm (Closed on Mondays)

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12 Tai Gin Road,

Opening Hours

Singapore 327874

Tel: (65) 6256 7377

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The Malay Heritage Centre

(MHC) showcases the history,

Malay community within the

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region.

Address

85 Sultan Gate,

Tel: 6391 0450

Singapore 198501

www.malayheritage.org.sg

The Sun Yat Sen Nanyang

Home to Dr. Sun Yat Sen

Memorial Hall was where the

was first established in 1906.

whenever he visited Singapore,

five galleries, depicting the vital

role played by Singapore and

Nanyang in the 1911 Revolution.

this building presently houses

focus on Kampong Gelam's

culture and contributions of the

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History Gallery and four Living Galleries give you a colourful overview of the nation's past,

 Cross over to the Peranakan Museum. Know your Peranakan friends better through stunning displays of Peranakan iewellery, intricate porcelain collections and Peranakan icons in Singapore. Hungry? Dine at True Blue Cuisine next door!

 Head to the Singapore Philatelic Museum, and take pieces of art in the form

 View some of the best collections of Southeast Asian contemporary art in the

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Civilisations Museum for an offerings. Find out how Singapore became a multi-ethnic country with South and West Asia.

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# Admission Charges Adult: \$4 Foreign senior citizens

- above 60 years old: \$2
- Free admission for all Citizens and below.

(Closed on Mondays)

# Free admission for all Citizens

us at NHB\_WQY@nhb.gov.sg to make a booking.

# By Bus

Shan Park along Balestier Road, or after the Kwan Im Tng Temple. 26 Raffles City SBS: 21, 130, 131, 139, 145, 186

# By MRT

The Sun Yat Sen Nanyang Memorial Hall is a 15 – 20 minute walk from Toa Payoh/ Novena MRT stations.

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traditions and culture.

in time at Reflections at Bukit Chandu. See how the Japanese invaded Singapore, the final Battle of Pasir Paniang and how the British surrendered

- 16 The Cathay
- 20 SMU Lee Kong Chian
- School of Business
- 23 Stamford Court
- 24 Bible House
- 28 Singapore Chinese Chamber
- 29 Capitol Centre

# ORCHARD RD NS24/NE6 Dhoby Ghaut CC2 Bras Basah 17

NS25/EW13

City Hall

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CC3 Esplanade

# Peranakan Museum



Peranakan heritage and culture at the world's first national Peranakan Museum right here in Singapore, Immerse yourself in the colourful history of babas and nyonyas, and be awed by exquisite displays of intricately crafted iewellery, beaded slippers, gold and silver ornaments, textiles, ceramics and ornate furniture.

# Address 39 Armenian Street.

Singapore 179941

Get a feel of the vibrant

Tel: 6332 7591 / 6332 3275 www.peranakanmuseum.sg

 Adult: \$6 and TPM are also available Please enquire at the

- Fridays from 7pm-9pm.
- for foreign seniors aged 60 and 162, 166, 174
- and Permanent Residents (PRs), and visitors aged 6 years The Peranakan Museum is a Free guided tours from

Mon-Sun. Please call 6332

7591 to enquire.

# By Bus

166, 174, 174E, 175 700, 700A, 857, NR7

6 years of age and under. Opening Hours and above, and foreign students. Singapore History Gallery: • \$30 for family package (group 10am – 6pm daily

> 10am - 8pm daily (last entry: 7.30pm)

# Getting there

 YMCA Bus-stop (08041) SBS: 7, 14, 14E, 16, 36, 64, 65, 111, 124, 128, 139, 162, 162M, 174, 174E, 175 SMRT: 77, 106, 167, 171, 190,

\* Admission charges apply to special exhibitions. For these exhibitions, free admission continues to apply to citizens and PRs who are students. teachers, senior citizens and

Opening Hours

# Getting there

Alight opposite Singapore Management University.

# Bv MRT

700. 700A, NR6, NR7 SMU Bus-stop (04121) SBS: 7, 14, 14E, 16, 36, 111 124, 128, 131, 162, 162M, SMRT: 77, 106, 167, 171, 190,

# By MRT

(PRs) and children of 6 years of Singapore Living Galleries:

# Mon - Sun: 10am - 7pm

5-minute walk from Bras Basah MRT station and a 10-minute walk from City Hall MRT station.

MRT stations and a 10-minute admission of up to 5 persons) (last entry: 5.30pm)

> **Admission Charges** Joint admission tickets to ACM (Till 9pm on Fridays)

# museum's front desk. Discounted admission on

 50% off admission prices above, and foreign students. Free admission for all Citizens

The National Museum of Singapore is a 5-minute walk from Bras Basah or Dhoby Ghaut

walk from City Hall MRT station.

SMRT: 61, 77, 167, 171, 190, 700

# Reflections

By Bus SBS: 7, 14, 16, 36, 124, 131, 147,

# at Bukit Chandu

\*Not found on map

# Journey back in time to World

Tel: 6375 2510

BukitChandu

War II in 1942 when 1,400 soldiers of the Malay Regiment Japanese soldiers, Experience the Battle of Pasir Panjang and

valiantly opposed 13,000 walk through the galleries displaying exhibits of photographs, maps, and the Malay Regiment and the

information detailing the life of

defence of Singapore. Address

31-K Pepvs Road. Singapore 118458 www.nhb.gov.sg/NHBPortal/ Museums/Reflectionsat

# Adult: \$2

 Foreign students: \$1 Foreign seniors aged 60 and above: \$1

> Free admission for all Citizens and Permanent Residents (PRs), and visitors aged 6 years and below.

 Bus-stop (HarbourFront Centre) SBS: 10, 30, 143 SMRT: 188

# **Admission Charges**

(City Hall MRT station) SBS: 51 Bus-stop (Bukit Merah Interchange)

# Opening Hours Tue - Sun: 9am - 5.30pm

By Bus (109A Pasir Panjang Road).

Alight in front of Pasir Panjang Neighbourhood Police Post

Getting there

# SMRT: 176 By MRT

(Raffles Place MRT station)

Bus-stop

SBS: 10

Bus-ston

Reflections at Bukit Chandu is a 20 minute walk from Pasir Paniang MRT station. Alternatively, alight at Harbourfront MRT station and take the listed buses from HarbourFront Centre.

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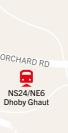
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pleasure in viewing miniature of stamps.

# (Opening in 2015) 14 Parliament House 15 The Arts House 17 SMU Li Ka Shing Library 19 SMU School of Accountancy-Law 21 Carlton Hotel 22 SMRT Headquarters Building Shopping Centre 27 Capitol Building of Commerce Building 30 Peninsula Plaza 31 Funan DigitaLife Mall

# Singapore Art Museum. or Trattoria Lafiandra.

 Scoot off to the Asian afternoon's worth of Asia's rich origins from China, Southeast,



5 Singapore Philatelic Museum 6 Asian Civilisations Museum Monuments 7 Cathedral of the

of Singapore

# Good Shepherd 8 Chijmes 9 Raffles Hotel 10 Armenian Church

11 Central Fire Station 12 St Andrew's Cathedral 13 The National Art Gallery, Singapore

# Landmarks

25 Stamford House

32 The Adelphi 33 Supreme Court

Go beyond the city and back

# Museums 1 National Museum

# 2 Singapore Art Museum 3 SAM at 8Q

# Foreign students and children 12 years and below: \$2 4 Peranakan Museum

# and Permanent Residents (PRs), and visitors aged 6 years

# For group guided tours,

# please call 6391 0450.

# Opening Hours Tue - Sun: 10am - 6pm



# Tong Meng Hui Singapore branch (PRs), and visitors aged 6 years 18 NTUC Income Centre and below. For group visits, please email

# Getting there



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