

**FILMS**

**Jimami Tofu (2017)**

Created by Singapore's BananaMama Films, the award-winning film will be featured in a free public screening at the Botanic Gardens tomorrow night. Audiences stand to win return Jetstar tickets to Okinawa in a lucky draw at the end of the movie. Okinawan picnic baskets featuring the Ryukyu dynastic food portrayed in the film can be purchased online at [bit.ly/BuyPicnic](http://bit.ly/BuyPicnic).  
**WHERE:** Eco Lake Movie Lawn, Singapore Botanic Gardens, 1 Cluny Road **MRT:** Botanic Gardens **WHEN:** Tomorrow, 7pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** <https://bit.ly/2N3yfoa>

**Tomboy (2011, NC16)**

A French family with two sisters, 10-year-old Laure and six-year-old Jeanne, moves to a new neighbourhood during the summer holidays. With her Jean Seberg pixie haircut and tomboy ways, Laure is immediately mistaken for a boy by the local kids and passes herself off as Michael. In French, with English subtitles.  
**WHERE:** Green Room, The Projector, Level 5 Golden Mile Tower, 6001 Beach Road **MRT:** Nicoll Highway **WHEN:** July 7 & 15, 5.30pm, July 21, 2.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$13.50 (standard), \$11.50 (concession) **INFO:** [theprojector.sg](http://theprojector.sg)

**God's Own Country (2017)**

Isolated young sheep farmer Johnny Saxby numbs his daily frustrations with binge drinking and casual sex, until the arrival of a Romanian migrant worker Gheorghe, employed for the lambing season, ignites an intense relationship that sets Saxby on a new path. The film won the World Cinema Directing Award at last year's Sundance Film Festival and was nominated for Outstanding British Film at this year's British Academy Film Awards.  
**WHERE:** Green Room, The Projector, Level 5 Golden Mile Tower, 6001 Beach Road **MRT:** Nicoll Highway **WHEN:** July 8, 5pm; July 14, 5.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$13.50 (standard), \$11.50 (concession) **INFO:** [theprojector.sg](http://theprojector.sg)

**NATURE**

**Singapore Garden Festival Roadshow**

The biennial Singapore Garden Festival, which presents the best of tropical horticulture and floral artistry, will return next month. There are roadshows at various locations to create awareness of the upcoming festival and the next one takes place at Toa Payoh HDB Hub this weekend.  
**WHERE:** Atrium, Toa Payoh HDB Hub, 480 Toa Payoh Lorong 6 **MRT:** Toa Payoh **WHEN:** Tomorrow & Sun, 10am - 8pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** E-mail [singaporegardenfestival@nparks.gov.sg](mailto:singaporegardenfestival@nparks.gov.sg)

**Singapore Botanic Gardens Heritage Festival**

The Singapore Botanic Gardens celebrates its three-year inscription anniversary as a Unesco World Heritage Site with tours by staff and volunteers, concerts and performances, food trails, plant sales, and free entry to the National Orchid Garden.  
**WHERE:** Orchard Plaza, National Orchid Garden, Shaw Foundation Symphony Stage, Singapore Botanic Gardens, 1 Cluny Road **MRT:** Botanic Gardens **WHEN:** Tomorrow - July 8, 8.30am - 7pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** E-mail [nparks\\_sbg\\_visitor\\_services@nparks.gov.sg](mailto:nparks_sbg_visitor_services@nparks.gov.sg)

**Horseshoe Crab Rescue & Research Programme**

Horseshoe crabs are in decline globally due to habitat loss, poaching and overfishing. The Nature Society (Singapore) aims to continually monitor their local population to ensure that they stay around for generations to come.  
**WHERE:** Kranji Bund Mudflats (details will be e-mailed to participants one week before the event) **MRT:** Kranji **WHEN:** July 15, 7.30 - 10am **ADMISSION:** Free. To register, go to [tinyurl.com/nsshorseshoecrab](http://tinyurl.com/nsshorseshoecrab) **INFO:** E-mail [Lester@hscrr.nss@gmail.com](mailto:Lester@hscrr.nss@gmail.com)

**PETS**

**Pet Adoption Drive At City Square Mall**

City Square Mall and Quayside Isle at Sentosa Cove, owned and managed by City Developments, are hosting a series of adoption drives for more than 70 dogs and cats together with key pet welfare associations. The first drive takes place at Quayside Isle on Sunday with Action for Singapore Dogs.  
**WHERE:** Level 1 Fountain Plaza, Quayside Isle, Sentosa Cove, 31 Ocean Way **MRT:** HarbourFront **WHEN:** Sun, noon - 4pm **ADMISSION:** Free (Sentosa admission charges apply) **INFO:** [quaysideisle.com](http://quaysideisle.com)

**TOURS**

**Farm Tour & Workshop**

Participants in this tour-cum-workshop will visit an organic herb and vegetable farm, learn about

**Yip Wai Yee Entertainment Correspondent recommends**

FilmPicks



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**US AND THEM (PG13)**

118 mins/Now showing on Netflix

Taiwanese singer-actress Rene Liu makes her directorial debut with this bittersweet romance about young love and missed opportunities. Here, top Chinese stars Zhou Dongyu and Jing Boran (both above) play a pair of lovers who reminisce about their past romance after bumping into each other years after they break up. The film, which premiered in cinemas in China in May - the only country to get a theatrical release - was a huge box-office hit and made Liu the first female Chinese director to gross more than 1 billion yuan (\$206 million).



**CARGO (M18)**

105 mins/Now showing on Netflix

Zombie apocalypse films are aplenty, but this Australian film starring Martin Freeman (left) elevates the genre with emotional heft. He plays a newly infected father who desperately travels through rural Australia for a new caretaker for his infant daughter Rosie.



**THE BEFORE TRILOGY**

One of the greatest love stories told on film is the one of Jesse (Ethan Hawke) and Celine (Julie Delpy), an unlikely pair who fall in love after meeting on a train in American film-maker Richard Linklater's celebrated Before trilogy (Before Sunrise, 1995; Before Sunset, 2001; Before Midnight, 2013, above).

Although much of the films only feature the pair walking and talking, they are celebrated for their realistic portrayal of romance. **WHERE:** The Projector, Level 5 Golden Mile Tower, 6001 Beach Road **MRT:** Nicoll Highway/Lavender Drive **WHEN:** Till July 7, various times **ADMISSION:** \$13.50 **INFO:** [theprojector.sg](http://theprojector.sg)



**A FANTASTIC WOMAN**

This Chilean film, about a young transgender woman who has to deal with the death of her older boyfriend, has swept almost every major award since its release last year, including Best Foreign Language Film at the Academy Awards in March. In the lead as Marina is Chilean actress Daniela Vega (above), who became the first transgender person

in history to be an Academy Award presenter. She was also named one of Time magazine's 100 most influential people in the world this year. **WHERE:** The Projector, Level 5 Golden Mile Tower, 6001 Beach Road **MRT:** Nicoll Highway/Lavender Drive **WHEN:** Thursday to July 8, various times **ADMISSION:** \$13.50 **INFO:** [theprojector.sg](http://theprojector.sg)

composting and garbage enzymes and pick up gardening tips from a farmer. Kids will get to feed fish, check out a well, look into a microscope and learn about the pond ecosystem. **WHERE:** Meet at 40 Neo Tiew Road **MRT:** Kranji, go to [goo.gl/lejYJa](http://goo.gl/lejYJa) for shuttle bus schedule **WHEN:** Tomorrow & July 7, 9am - noon **ADMISSION:** Adult, \$20; child, \$10; family package, \$60 **TEL:** 9859-1504 (Deb) **INFO:** E-mail [info.healingfood@gmail.com](mailto:info.healingfood@gmail.com)

**CONTESTS**

**Japanese Speech Contest**

The 50th annual contest, co-organised by the Embassy of Japan and other Japanese organisations in Singapore, will feature six finalists from each of the secondary school, junior college, tertiary/polytechnic and open categories. Volunteer Japanese tutors are assisting contestants in polishing their grammar and pronunciation. Prizes include homestays in various parts of Japan and experiential tours in Hokkaido. **WHERE:** Auditorium, Level 3 The Japanese Association, 120 Adam Road **MRT:** Botanic Gardens **WHEN:** July 8, 10am - 3pm **ADMISSION:** Free **TEL:** 6735-0403 **INFO:** [www.sg.emb-japan.go.jp](http://www.sg.emb-japan.go.jp)

**24-Hour Playwriting Competition By TheatreWorks**

Cash prizes of \$100 to \$700 are up for grabs and one of the winning plays will be developed into a full production, which will then be taken on a performance tour to the South East District in the first quarter of next year. **WHERE:** Haw Par Villa, 262 Pasir Panjang Road **MRT:** Haw Par Villa **WHEN:** July 14, 4pm - July 15, 4pm **ADMISSION:** \$40 (Youth: 15 - 18 years old), \$55 (Open: 19 years & above). To register, e-mail [writerslab@theatreworks.org.sg](mailto:writerslab@theatreworks.org.sg) **TEL:** 6737-7213 **INFO:** E-mail [tworks@singnet.com.sg](mailto:tworks@singnet.com.sg) or go to [theatreworksg.wordpress.com](http://theatreworksg.wordpress.com)

**KIDS**

**The Kidz Academy Returns**

Singapore's largest educational fair will return over the Youth Day weekend. The free event focuses on holistic and out-of-the-box activities and is suitable for educators, parents and children aged seven to 12. **WHERE:** Singapore Expo Hall 6, 1 Expo Drive **MRT:** Expo **WHEN:** Till Sun, 10.30am - 8pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** [thekidzacademy.com.sg](http://thekidzacademy.com.sg)

**Footwork: Twinkle Toes**

Twinkle Toes is a series of dance-play workshops for children aged three to six. Participants will learn popular

dances from experts and pick up some moves in the months leading up to the da:ns festival. **WHERE:** Esplanade Rehearsal Studio, 1 Esplanade Drive **MRT:** Esplanade/City Hall **WHEN:** Till Sept 30, 9 - 10am & 10.30 - 11.30am **ADMISSION:** \$15 a person (tickets sold in pairs or threes) **INFO:** [goo.gl/iMHpQf](http://goo.gl/iMHpQf)

**OTHERS**

**Seletar Mall's 3rd Anniversary**

In conjunction with its third anniversary, The Seletar Mall has organised an adventure-themed campaign. Shoppers can enjoy \$3 value deals, in-store promotions and activities such as conquering a 6m rock wall and gliding along the 18m flying fox zipline. Those who spend at least \$100 can join a lucky draw to win top prizes of overseas trips or an Osim uLove massage chair worth \$6,399. **WHERE:** 33 Sengkang West Avenue **MRT:** Sengkang (Fernvale LRT) **WHEN:** Till Sun, 10am - 10pm **ADMISSION:** Free, spend at least \$30 to take part in interactive adventures, \$100 or more for lucky draw **INFO:** [facebook.com/theseletarmall](http://facebook.com/theseletarmall)

**Ciao! Hello From Italy!**

Learn more about Italian culture, history and the arts from Fabrizio Righi. The Italian chef and language teacher is also the founder of

FABItalia and The Italian Quarter, which are made up of members of various nationalities who are passionate about promoting Italian culture. There will also be a special comedy performance by Marco Luly, an Italian actor, director and theatre instructor. **WHERE:** Open Stage, 03-01 library@esplanade, 8 Raffles Avenue **MRT:** Esplanade **WHEN:** July 3, 7 - 8pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** [nlb.gov.sg](http://nlb.gov.sg)

**Hwa Chong International School Open House**

Hwa Chong International School invites parents and eligible students to its open house on July 7, which will feature showcases on curriculum and co-curricular activities and an address by the principal. **WHERE:** 663 Bukit Timah Road **MRT:** Tan Kah Kee/Sixth Avenue **WHEN:** July 7, 8am - noon **ADMISSION:** Free. To register, go to <https://bit.ly/2tlQR3N> **TEL:** 6464-7077 **INFO:** E-mail [admin@hcis.edu.sg](mailto:admin@hcis.edu.sg)

**LAST CALL**

**The Glory Hoes Present: Tootsie (1982, PG)**

In the movie Tootsie, Dustin Hoffman plays an unemployed actor who dresses as a woman and lands the part in a daytime drama. Hoe Down Party at 11pm features surprise drag

performances and go-go dancers. Pre-movie activities start at 8pm. **WHERE:** Redrum, The Projector, Level 5 Golden Mile Tower, 6001 Beach Road **MRT:** Nicoll Highway **WHEN:** Today, 9.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$30 (movie & Hoe Down Party), \$10 (party only) **INFO:** [theprojector.sg](http://theprojector.sg)

**Fiji Water Wellness Village**

The one-day event promoting health and wellness will feature food and beverage and lifestyle stalls. Registered guests can also participate in a mass yoga session with Jasmine Chong (5.30 to 6.15pm, 6.45 to 7.30pm). **WHERE:** Sapphire Pavilion, Siloso Beach Walk, 41 Imbiah Road, Sentosa **MRT:** HarbourFront **WHEN:** Tomorrow, 3 - 8pm **ADMISSION:** Free **TEL:** 6325-8232

The listings on these Happenings pages are free. Write to Life Happenings, Life, The Straits Times, 1000 Toa Payoh North, Singapore 318994 or e-mail [stlife@sph.com.sg](mailto:stlife@sph.com.sg) at least two weeks ahead. Include the name of the event, organiser, venue, date and time, ticket prices and nearest MRT station, as well as your name, address and contact number. We reserve the right to edit or reject items. Go to [www.straitstimes.com](http://www.straitstimes.com) (click on Lifestyle) for more listings