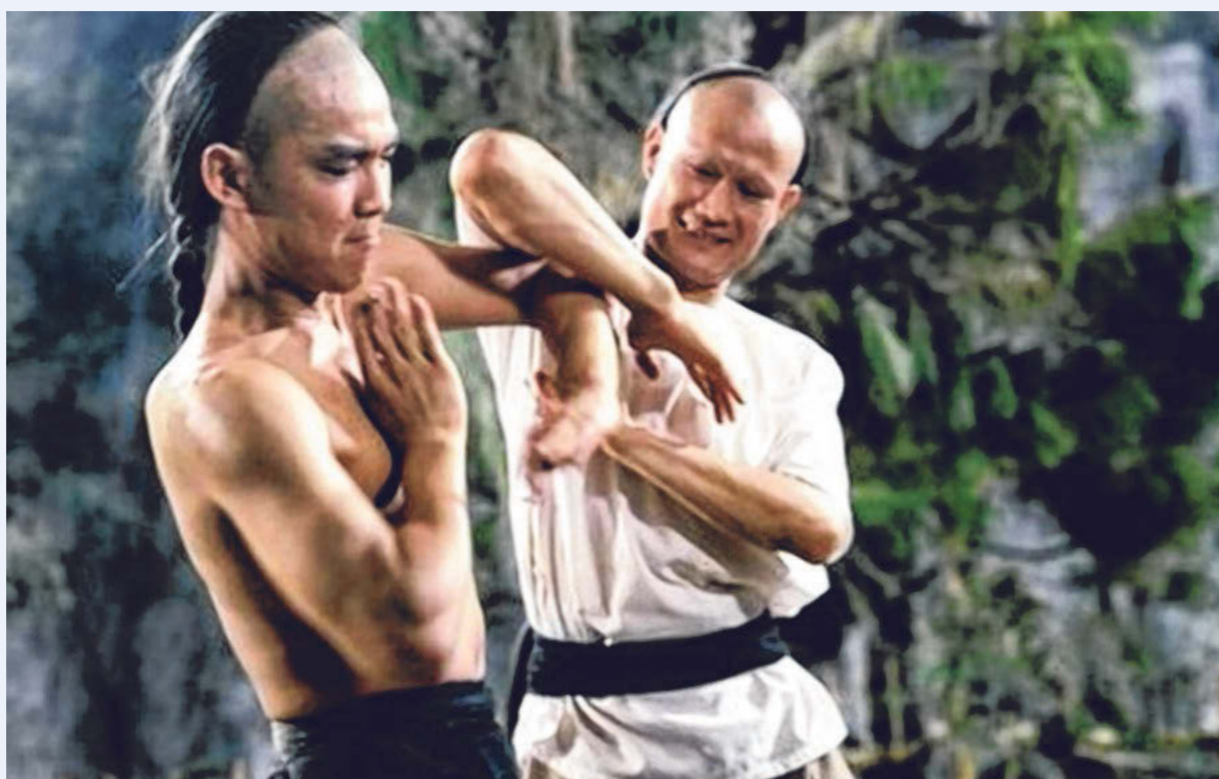


FilmPicks

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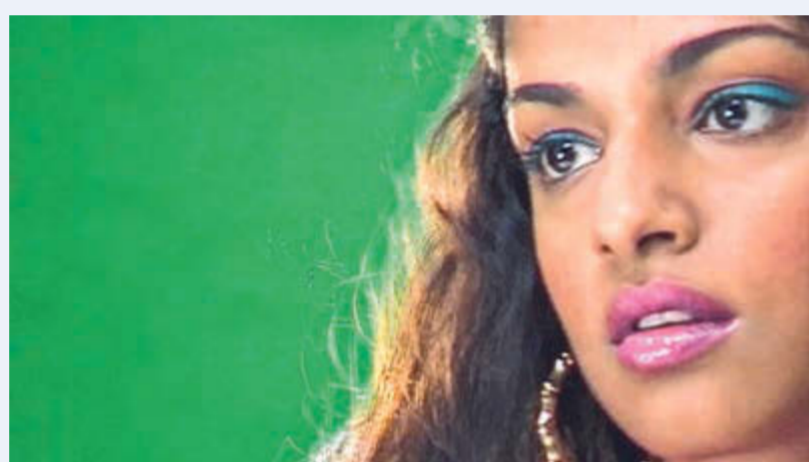
Yuen Biao (left) and Lam Ching Ying star in The Prodigal Son.

THE PRODIGAL SON (PG13)
100 minutes

This 1981 martial arts classic from Hong Kong will be screened outdoors at the Chye Seng Huat Hardware coffee bar.

Brought by the team behind Scum (Society for Cult & Underground Movies), this winner of the Best Action Choreography award at the Hong Kong Film Awards stars Yuen Biao as a rich man's son who wins fights because his father bribes his opponents. He discovers the lie and begins his journey to become a master of Wing Chun.

The movie will be screened in Cantonese with English subtitles.
WHERE: Chye Seng Huat Hardware, 150 Tyrwhitt Road
WHEN: Oct 5, 7.45 pm
ADMISSION: Donations of \$10 or \$20. Go to <https://nots5oct.peatix.com/>



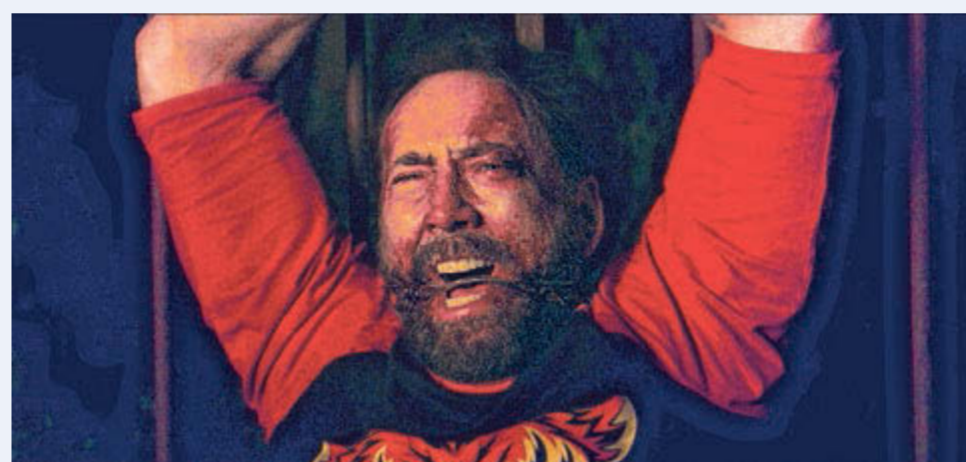
MATANGI/MAYA/M.I.A. (NC16)
95 minutes/★★★★☆

This biography of British-Sri Lankan singer, rapper and songwriter Matangi Arulpragasam (above), who goes by the stage name M.I.A., uses new and archive footage to tell the life story of the artist who went to England as a child with her refugee family to flee the civil war in Sri Lanka.

The film tracks her musical growth as well as her personal growth as she reconciles two ideas. She is oppressed, as a woman and a refugee, but she is also privileged – she found safety when many in her family remained in a war zone.

In the film directed by Steve Loveridge, a friend from art school, the 43-year-old comes across as an earnest woman committed to her causes, with no interest in playing with her public image, or compromising her principles for success.

PHOTOS: ANTICIPATE PICTURES, SCUM CINEMA, SHAW ORGANISATION



MANDY (R21)
121 minutes/Now showing/★★★★☆

This horror-thriller oozes style, blood and at least one chainsaw fight. There are men wielding axes forged with their hands, doing battle with demons from hell.

It might sound like cheap, disposable fun, but director and co-writer Panos Cosmatos has a way

of evoking real emotion, putting this work several notches above the usual midnight madness fare.

In the Pacific North-west in 1983, Red Miller (Nicholas Cage, above) and Mandy Bloom (Andrea Riseborough) live happily in a forest cabin. Trouble happens when a cult led by Jeremiah Sand (Linus Roache) and the couple cross paths, causing Red to embark on a bloody journey of vengeance.

FILMS

Love Education (2017, PG)

In this Chinese-Taiwanese film starring Sylvia Chang, Hui Ying intends to relocate her father's grave from the countryside to the city, where he could be re-buried with his wife. But his childless first wife, Nana, fights rigorously to stop the move. Hui Ying's daughter, Weiwei, is caught between her mother and Nana. In the end, these three women of different generations follow their hearts, resulting in an unexpected ending.
WHERE: GV Bishan, 04-03 Junction 8 Shopping Centre, 9 Bishan Place
MRT: Bishan **WHEN:** Tomorrow, 1.30pm **ADMISSION:** Singapore Film Society membership from \$18 a month **TEL:** 9017-0160 **INFO:** E-mail info@singaporefilmsociety.com

The Songs We Sang (2016, PG)

There was a time – in the forgotten history of Singapore – where music was a revolution, where disenchanted and displaced Chinese youths found their rallying cry through songwriting in the face of changes in language and education policies that forever impacted their lives. In Mandarin with English and Chinese subtitles.
WHERE: The Projector, Level 5 Golden Mile Tower, 6001 Beach Road
MRT: Nicoll Highway
WHEN: Tomorrow, 2.30pm (Redrum) **ADMISSION:** \$13.50 (standard), \$11.50 (concession) **INFO:** theprojector.sg

Puzzle (2018, PG13)

Agnes (Kelly Macdonald), who has a talent for assembling jigsaw puzzles, sneaks away from her suburban town and stifling husband. In what seems to be her first daring taste of independence, she partners a stranger, a reclusive wealthy inventor (Irrfan Khan), in a puzzle tournament in Atlantic City, where she discovers her value and sees the pieces of her life in a whole new light.
WHERE: The Projector, Level 5 Golden Mile Tower, 6001 Beach Road
MRT: Nicoll Highway **WHEN:** Thu & Oct 5 (8.30pm), Oct 6 (8pm), Oct 7 (5pm); Redrum **ADMISSION:** \$13.50 (standard), \$11.50 (concession) **INFO:** theprojector.sg

NATURE

Waders Watch

Celebrate the return of the

shorebirds with Waders Watch, a workshop available only during the migratory season. Learn how to identify the birds and understand their habits and characteristics. It will cover an introduction to birdwatching, followed by a practical session at Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve. Children from five years old are welcome. Binoculars will be provided, but take along your own if you have them.
WHERE: Theatrette, Wetland Centre, Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve, 301 Neo Tiew Crescent
MRT: Kranji **WHEN:** Oct 7, 9 - 11 am
ADMISSION: Free, register at www.nparks.gov.sg
TEL: 6794-1401 **INFO:** E-mail nparks_sbwr@nparks.gov.sg

PETS

Basic Obedience Foundation Class For Dogs

Organised by Action For Singapore Dogs (ASD), the Basic Obedience Foundation Class incorporates the Amichien Bonding principles which are the foundation of owners' relationship with their dogs. Effective techniques of communication will also be covered during the class.
WHERE: Tiong Bahru Park, 1 Henderson Road
MRT: Tiong Bahru **WHEN:** Oct 6, 13, 20, 27, Nov 3, 10, 4.30 - 6pm
ADMISSION: \$350 (\$250 for ASD adopters), register at goo.gl/2jmh17
TEL: 6100-2737
INFO: E-mail info@asdsingapore.com

Walk-A-Paw

The 2km walk aims to promote a healthy and active lifestyle and stronger bonding between owners and their pets. Participants will get an event pack with giveaways worth \$70 and part of the registration fees will be donated to Guide Dogs Singapore.
WHERE: The Meadow, Gardens by the Bay, 18 Marina Gardens Drive
MRT: Bayfront
WHEN: Oct 28, 9am - 1pm
ADMISSION/INFO: \$49 (dog & buddy), \$62 (two dogs & one buddy or one dog & two buddies), \$25 (Fun Walk without dog); register at active.com/walking/walk-a-paw-2018

TOURS

Monumental Walking Tours

These are thematic tours specially created and led by volunteer guides,

passionate heritage enthusiasts who are keen to share their knowledge about the architectural features of Singapore's national monuments and the histories surrounding these treasured buildings.

WHERE: Various National Monuments
WHEN: Every Sat, 10 - 11.30am
ADMISSION: \$5 (\$3 for students & seniors), register at monumental-walking-tours.peatix.com/view
INFO: E-mail NHB_NationalMonuments@nhb.gov.sg

Lest We Forget: Tour Of Memorials

This tour covers the Civilian War Memorial, Cenotaph and Lim Bo Seng Memorial. Discover the symbolism in each memorial's design, the hidden stories behind each sculpture and engraving, and the heroes who sacrificed themselves for Singapore.
WHERE: Civilian War Memorial (starting point), War Memorial Park, Beach Road
MRT: City Hall
WHEN: Oct 6, 9 - 10.30am
ADMISSION/INFO: \$5 (\$3 for students & seniors), tickets at peatix.com/event/426608

Chinatown Tour: Signs, Symbols & Shophouses

Through a deep dive into the Chinatown area, architectural historian Ellen Philpott-Teo will explore the various phases of Singapore's historic building typology with a focus on reading the ornamentation, Chinese symbols and motifs.
WHERE: Chinatown Point, 133 New Bridge Road (meet at Upper Cross Street/New Bridge Road corner)
MRT: Chinatown
WHEN: Thu, 1 - 4pm
ADMISSION: \$75 a person, e-mail support@straitstourneys.com to register **INFO:** goo.gl/o5qnH

KIDS

Kids' Day Out At Singapore Philatelic Museum

To celebrate Children's Day, the museum has lined up some fun activities, such as experiencing tactile sculptures from The Little Prince In The Dark Collection by French artist Arnaud Nazare-Aga (10am - 7pm) and taking part in a quiz (10am - 5pm), where the first 100 children who complete it correctly will get a goodie bag.
WHERE: 23-B Coleman Street

MRT: City Hall
WHEN: Oct 6, 10am - 7pm
ADMISSION: Free
INFO: spm.org.sg

Family Fun At National Museum

Every last Saturday of the month, the museum has activities such as interactive tours, storytelling sessions, family workshops and performances. This month, Family Fun coincides with the closing weekend of the special exhibition, The More We Get Together: Singapore's Playgrounds 1930 - 2030.
WHERE: National Museum of Singapore, 93 Stamford Road
MRT: Bras Basah/Dhoby Ghaut
WHEN: Tomorrow, Oct 27, Nov 24, Dec 29 **ADMISSION:** Free
INFO: nationalmuseum.sg

OTHERS

Trilogy: Past, Present, Future In A Marriage

This wedding showcase is themed to celebrate the different stages in a relationship and couples are invited to reminisce cherished memories, celebrate their current status and commit to a shared future. Besides the bridal runway show, other event highlights include a modern calligraphy and petite botanical craft workshop, dessert presentation and live culinary stations. Couples who confirm their wedding bookings at the event will enjoy additional goodies.
WHERE: Grand Ballroom, Level 1 The Ritz-Carlton Millenia Singapore, 7 Raffles Avenue
MRT: Promenade
WHEN: Oct 7, 1 - 5pm
ADMISSION: \$60 nett a couple (\$20 for additional person), includes canapes, mocktails & cocktails
TEL: 6434-5021
INFO: E-mail lixian.neo@ritzcarlton.com

LAST CALL

Andean Sonance: Sisay (Ecuador)

Andean Sonance brings together the acoustic sounds of strings and the hypnotising sounds of the Andean aerophones, zampona and quena. The music of Sisay, an official culture and music ambassador of Ecuador, aims to bring the audience closer to nature

and make the world a better place.
WHERE: Esplanade Concourse, 1 Esplanade Drive
MRT: Esplanade/ City Hall
WHEN: Today, 7, 8 & 9pm
ADMISSION: Free
INFO: www.esplanade.com

National Heart Week/World Heart Day

At this year's National Heart Week/World Heart Day organised by the Singapore Heart Foundation, the theme, My Heart, Your Heart focuses on eating healthily, getting active and saying no to smoking. Members of the public can expect complimentary HbA1c screenings for diabetes (till 2pm) and the launch of Asia's first CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) self-learning kiosk, which will give an overview of hands-only CPR and provide real-time feedback.
WHERE: Toa Payoh HDB Hub Atrium, 480 Lorong 6 Toa Payoh
MRT: Toa Payoh
WHEN: Tomorrow, 8am - 8pm
ADMISSION: Free
TEL: 6354-9369/35 (today, 9.30am - 5.30pm) to pre-register
INFO: myheart.org.sg

Coming Together As One Through Art - No Money, No Talk

This is a series of four pop-up art installations by the Singapore National Co-operative Federation to raise awareness of the societal issues of yesteryear that continue to exist today and to show the impact when people in the community band together for a common goal. The first session will look at the topic of money and its related social issues.
WHERE: Outside Mandarin Gallery, 333A Orchard Road
MRT: Somerset
WHEN: Till Sun, noon - 9pm
ADMISSION: Free
INFO: snfc.coop/coopsiol

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