

Gigs Picks

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DAWN GAN MEMORIAL EVENTS

Xinyao pioneer Dawn Gan (above) died from cancer at the age of 55 on Sept 22.

Fans of her bright voice and bubbly personality can come together in memory of her at two events.

Among those appearing are her fellow xinyao, or Singapore songs, singers such as Roy Loi, Hong Shao Xuan and Liang Wern Fook.

Many of her best-known songs were written by Liang, including Youth 123, Your Reflection and New Clothes Aren't As Good As Old Ones.

MISSING DAWN CONCERT

WHERE: Level 9 Singapore Chinese Cultural Centre, 1 Straits Boulevard MRT: Tanjong Pagar **WHEN:** Wed, 8pm **ADMISSION:** Free. Tickets were given away on Sept 29. Those without tickets can watch the live broadcast on level 7 **INFO:** www.facebook.com/TCRMUSICSTATION

EMBRACING DAWN – FAREWELL FOR DAWN GAN

WHERE: Capitol Piazza, 13 Stamford Road MRT: City Hall **WHEN:** Oct 14, 4pm **ADMISSION:** Free, first-come, first-served. The proceedings will also be broadcast live outside the venue **INFO:** bit.ly/2PIAvMV



AMATEUR TAKES CONTROL PRESENT 'YOU, ME AND THE THINGS UNSAID' 10TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY

A local act celebrating a milestone anniversary is post-rock band Amateur Takes Control (above). Their debut album – You, Me And The Things Unsaid – was released in 2008.

To mark the occasion, the band will be performing the entire album from start to finish as well as other fan favourites.

WHERE: Esplanade Annexe Studio, 1 Esplanade Drive MRT: Esplanade **WHEN:** Oct 20, 7.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$15 from youmeandthethingsunsaid10.peatix.com, \$20 at the door



KIT CHAN 25 YEARS ON: A TIME FOR EVERYTHING

Home-grown singer Kit Chan (left) released her debut record, Do Not Destroy The Harmony, in Singapore in 1993.

Twenty-five years later, she is marking her milestone anniversary with a concert and a new album, also titled A Time For Everything that is due out on Tuesday.

Aside from classic hits such as Heartache, Worry and If There're Seasons, Chan also promises to show her cheeky side at the gig with a risqué English jazz number.

WHERE: Esplanade Theatre, 1 Esplanade Drive MRT: Esplanade **WHEN:** Nov 9 and 10, 8pm **ADMISSION:** \$88 to \$208 from Sistic (call 6348-5555 or go to www.sistic.com.sg). Each ticket comes with an activation code for 60 days of unlimited music on streaming service KKBox



ZHU MI MI COMEDY 2018 CONCERT

Malaysia-born, Hong Kong-based Mimi Chu (above) is a familiar face on the small screen. The versatile veteran has been entertaining audiences since the 1970s and is also known for her ability to impersonate other singers, including Hong Kong's Paula Tsui and Taiwan's Yao Su-jung.

WHERE: Resorts World Theatre, Resorts World Sentosa, 8 Sentosa Gateway MRT: HarbourFront **WHEN:** Tomorrow, 8pm **ADMISSION:** \$48 to \$158 from Sistic

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Wakin Chau In Concert

Wakin Chau – better known by his stage name Emil Chau in the 1980s and 1990s – will be headlining WAU Live 2018, held in conjunction with the final edition of the BNP Paribas WTA Finals Singapore. Also performing will be home-grown jazz vocalist Joanna Dong and duo ShiLi & Adi. Chau had a successful sold-out concert here in August last year.

WHERE: National Stadium, 1 Stadium Drive MRT: Stadium **WHEN:** Oct 20, 7pm **ADMISSION:** \$98 - \$228, tickets from www.sportshubtix.sg, Singapore Indoor Stadium Box Office & SingPost outlets **TEL:** 3158-7888 **INFO:** www.sportshub.com.sg

Tribute To Aretha Franklin, Queen Of Soul

Jazz pianist Aya Sekine and soulful chanteuse Namie Rasman continue a partnership that first took flight at We Love Jazz SG in 2016. In their first public performance as a duo, they will pay tribute to the late queen of soul, Aretha Franklin.

WHERE: Esplanade Concourse, 1 Esplanade Drive MRT: Esplanade/City Hall **WHEN:** Oct 24 & 25, 7 & 8pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** www.esplanade.com

Good Vibes With Jason Mraz

Multiple Grammy Award-winning singer-songwriter Jason Mraz will make his only stop in Asia this year in Singapore. His gig is held in conjunction with the final edition of the BNP Paribas WTA Finals Singapore.

WHERE: National Stadium, 1 Stadium Drive MRT: Stadium **WHEN:** Oct 27, 8pm **ADMISSION:** \$108 - \$248, tickets from www.sportshubtix.sg, Singapore Indoor Stadium Box Office & SingPost Outlets **TEL:** 3158-7888 **INFO:** www.sportshub.com.sg

Reminisce: Christina Zhou, Kitty Cheung And Liu Jia

Violinist Christina Zhou will perform solo, duet and trio works by Bach, Bruch, Prokofiev, Piazzolla, Ponce, Moszkowski and Tze Toh. Kitty Cheung is the first violinist of the Romer String Quartet and was the associate concertmaster of the Hong Kong Sinfonietta (2011 to 2017). Liu Jia has performed as soloist with the Singapore Symphony Orchestra as well as major orchestras in China, including the China Film Symphony.

WHERE: Esplanade Recital Studio, 1 Esplanade Drive MRT: Esplanade/City Hall **WHEN:** Oct 28, 7.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$28 (students: \$22) **INFO:** www.esplanade.com

Kyla T

Kyla T reinterprets R&B by fusing it with vintage rhythmic vibes. Part of last year's Noise Music Mentorship programme, she has since launched her career as a solo artist with her debut single, Slow Machines, reaching No. 8 on iTunes Singapore Top 200 Tracks.

WHERE: Esplanade Concourse, 1 Esplanade Drive MRT: Esplanade/City Hall **WHEN:** Oct 29, 7 & 8pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** www.esplanade.com

CHARITY

Lions HeART Charity Art Exhibition

Five friends who are weekend artists will sell their works to raise funds for the Lions Home for the Elders. The first two editions of the exhibition, in 2015 and last year, raised \$114,000 for the home and the Lions Befrienders Service Association. This year, 60 artworks, ranging from Chinese brush paintings to contemporary artworks to photographs, will be on sale.

WHERE: Luxe Art Museum, 02-01 The Luxe, 6 Handy Road MRT: Dhoby Chaut **WHEN:** Oct 13, 2 - 6pm; Oct 14, 11am - 6pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** E-mail wilson.chia8@gmail.com

Asia Art Archive Annual Fund-raiser

This year, there will be an auction of 75 artworks that were donated by artists, collectors and galleries across the globe. The fund-raiser supports Asia Art Archive, an independent non-profit, in building collections on the history of contemporary art in Asia, as well as keeping the materials free and accessible for research and education.

WHERE: Online at aaa2018auction.com **WHEN:** Tue - Oct 12 (online preview); Tue - Nov 3 (online bidding) **INFO:** goo.gl/tfnDtQ

TALKS

Cloud Security Alliance Apac Summit

Leading security experts will discuss the latest trends in technology, the threat landscape, security innovations, best practices and global governance to help organisations address new frontiers in cloud security. Among the keynote speakers are Raju Chellam, who will also introduce Organ Gold, his medical-themed thriller set in Singapore that looks at the darker side of organ donation.

WHERE: Cloud Security Alliance Apac Summit, Marina Bay Sands Expo & Convention Centre, 10 Bayfront Avenue MRT: Bayfront **WHEN:** Wed & Thu, from 10am **ADMISSION/INFO:** Free for professionals; register at goo.gl/WJi4Q

Wan Boo Sow Lecture On Chinese Culture

Professor Cheng Pei-kai will speak on the challenges of safeguarding intangible cultural heritage, which has become a worldwide issue after Unesco urged nations to participate in organising an international entity for its promotion in 2000. The talk will use the example of Hong Kong, whose predicament and future can serve as a working model for other Asian societies such as Singapore.

WHERE: Zhong Sheng Jian Recital Studio, Level 6 Singapore Chinese Cultural Centre, 1 Straits Boulevard MRT: Tanjong Pagar **WHEN:** Tomorrow, 3 - 5pm (in Mandarin) **ADMISSION/INFO:** Free, register at singaporecc.org.sg/nuslecture

Living Well, Leaving Well

Through the lens of a doctor, patients from Bright Vision Hospital share the meaning of their lives, as well as their values and life experiences via art and recipes.

WHERE: Sengkang Public Library, 04-19 Compass One, 1 Sengkang Square MRT: Sengkang **WHEN:** Tomorrow (English) & Sun (Chinese), 5 - 6pm **ADMISSION/INFO:** Free, register at bit.ly/2PIHbuL (English) or bit.ly/2QJGD3y (Chinese)

Modern Painting's Transition To Contemporary Art In South-east Asia

Art historian and curator Iola Lenzi will explore the connection between social/political change in nation-building in South-east Asia and artistic development from the 1970s.

WHERE: The River Room, Level 2 Asian Civilisations Museum, 1 Empress Place MRT: Raffles Place **WHEN:** Mon, 11am **ADMISSION:** Free **TEL:** 6337-3685 **INFO:** www.fom.sg

Mendaki Sense Jump Career Fair

Supported by Workforce Singapore, the career fair aims to help those who actively seek lifelong learning and career-development opportunities.

WHERE: Wisma Geylang Serai, 1 Engku Aman Road MRT: Paya Lebar **WHEN:** Oct 12 & 13, 10am - 5.30pm **ADMISSION:** Free **TEL:** 6708-6400 **INFO:** msense.sg

CLASSES

Phonetics Workshop: Speak Better For Success

At this workshop, which is suitable for adults and children from nine years old, participants will learn how phonetics can help them speak better and communicate more effectively. It is conducted by Joseph Wong, the principal consultant at Delapro and an Acta-certified trainer who specialises in communication, with a focus on phonetics.

WHERE: Waterloo Centre, 261 Waterloo Street MRT: Bras Basah/Bugis/Bencoolen **WHEN:** Oct 13, 9am - 6pm **ADMISSION:** \$180 a person (claimable through SkillsFuture Credit) **INFO:** E-mail josephwong@delapro.com.sg to register

Gamelan Workshop

This two-hour introductory music workshop is led by Mei Yin and Amran

from Gamelan Asmaradana, who will teach participants about the different instruments of a Balinese gamelan, the basic techniques of playing and basic gamelan music theory.

WHERE: 63 Kerbau Road MRT: Little India **WHEN:** Oct 26, 2 - 4pm; Oct 27, 10.30am - 12.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$50 a person, e-mail support@straitsjourneys.com to register **INFO:** goo.gl/8c6d49

Culture Campur Workshops By RedDot Bhangra

RedDot Bhangra is organising a series of free dance performances and workshops for families, including Culture Campur workshops, that are part of the National Arts Council's Got To Move nationwide dance movement.

WHERE: Roof Garden, Level 5 Lot One Shoppers' Mall, 21 Choa Chu Kang Avenue 4 MRT: Choa Chu Kang **WHEN:** Oct 27, 2 - 6pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** facebook.com/reddotbhangra

FESTIVALS

Celebrating 100 Years Of Polish Independence

To celebrate Poland's 100 years of independence, there will be performances and exhibitions on board a tall ship named Dar Młodzieży (Gift Of Youth) berthed at VivoCity Promenade.

WHERE: VivoCity Promenade, 1 Harbourfront Walk MRT: HarbourFront **WHEN:** Tue - Oct 12, various times **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** goo.gl/bqwZwJ

Neon Jungle @ Gardens By The Bay

Supertree Grove at Gardens by the Bay transforms into a neon jungle, with the largest collection of neon-light installations in the form of endangered animals. Programmes include a neon night market offering handmade goods and eco-friendly products, to a moonlight cinema and a glow-in-the-dark party.

WHERE: Supertree Grove, Gardens by the Bay, 18 Marina Gardens Drive MRT: Bayfront **WHEN:** Oct 19 - 21, 4.30 - 11pm; Oct 22 - 28, 6 - 11pm **ADMISSION:** Free (Gardens by the Bay admission fees may apply) **INFO:** gardensbythebay.com.sg/neonjungle

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