

GIGS

Polka Wars

Since debuting in 2011, Polka Wars have enjoyed a meteoric rise in the Indonesian independent music scene. The band got their big break when they won the Converse Rubber Tracks competition in 2014, which gave them a chance to record three songs at Rubber Tracks' flagship studio in New York.

WHERE: Esplanade Outdoor Theatre, 1 Esplanade Drive **MRT:** Esplanade/ City Hall **WHEN:** Nov 3, 7 & 9.30pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** www.esplanade.com

Kenny G Live In Singapore

Grammy Award-winning saxophonist Kenny G returns for a one-night performance. In a career that spans almost three decades and 23 albums, he has integrated elements of R&B, pop and Latin into jazz.

WHERE: The Star Theatre, 04-01 The Star Performing Arts Centre, 1 Vista Exchange Green **MRT:** Buona Vista **WHEN:** Nov 8, 8pm **ADMISSION:** \$78 - \$328 **TEL:** 6348-5555 **INFO:** www.sistic.com.sg

An Evening With Howard Jones

As a respected pioneer of the New Wave movement, singer-songwriter Howard Jones has sold more than eight million albums across the globe and is one of a select group of British artists who have comprehensively "broken" America. His multi-platinum albums have yielded 15 top 40 hits.

WHERE: Main Theatre, Gateway Theatre, 3615 Jalan Bukit Merah **MRT:** Redhill **WHEN:** Nov 23, 8.15pm **ADMISSION:** \$98 - \$268, tickets from apactix.com

CHARITY

Art Exhibition In Aid Of ST School Pocket Money Fund

Non-profit Life Art Society, founded 45 years ago by master painter Tan Khim Ser, is holding an exhibition titled Fall In Love With Art. Proceeds from the sale of the works will go to The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund. Over 50 artists have contributed paintings, 18 of which are works from ST subscribers who took part in Chinese brush painting classes taught by Tan in June.

WHERE: 01-19/20 Wisma Atria, 435 Orchard Road **MRT:** Orchard **WHEN:** Till Sun, 11am - 9pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** www.spmf.org.sg

Banyan Tree's Deed For Breast Cancer Awareness

Banyan Tree has designed a multi-functional fabric wrap called the Lotus Wrap, in collaboration with local botanical artist Lucinda Law, in celebration of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. For every purchase of the wrap, which is woven from plastic bottles, 15 per cent of the proceeds will go to the Breast Cancer Foundation. A thousand of the wraps have also been donated to the foundation to be used in its wellness kits.

WHEN: Till Wed **PRICE:** US\$8 (\$S11) **INFO:** Go to essentials.banyantree.com

Sunburst: The Business Times-CapitaLand Fund-raising Concert

Students from the School of the Arts (Sota) and members of the Muscular Dystrophy Association (Singapore) are putting on a concert to raise funds. Performers include wheelchair dance couple Andy and Julie, pianist Azariah Tan and rapper-beatboxer Wheelsmith (Daniel Bawthan).

WHERE: Sota Concert Hall, 1 Zubir Said Drive **MRT:** Bencoolen/Dhoby Ghaut **WHEN:** Nov 8, 7.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$20 (\$44 for four tickets), concession: \$10, from apactix.com

Singapore Specials Run By Action For Singapore Dogs

The annual event by Action for Singapore Dogs (ASD) aims to raise awareness about the plight of stray and abandoned dogs. Proceeds will go to helping the many canines that ASD has rescued and are residing at its shelter and foster homes.

WHERE: Activity Lawn, Bishan-Ang Mo Kio Park, Ang Mo Kio Avenue 1 **MRT:** Ang Mo Kio/Bishan **WHEN:** Nov 11, 4pm **ADMISSION:** \$55 - \$65, register at bit.ly/asdssr18 by tomorrow **INFO:** E-mail info@asdsingapore.com

TALKS

China's Crisis Of Success

Dr William H. Overholt, senior research fellow at Harvard Kennedy School, will show that the China model, which emulates the experiences of other Asian miracle economies, is superior to all other known development strategies in improving human

GigsPicks

Anjali Raguraman recommends

SHANKAR MAHADEVAN - LIVE IN CONCERT (BAITHAK TO BOLLYWOOD)

Celebrated Indian playback singer Shankar Mahadevan (right), who is also one-third of composing trio Shankar-Ehsaan-Loy, returns to Singapore.

His three-hour show will take audiences on a journey from folk and semi-classical music to pop and Bollywood music.

This is the first time his sons Siddharth and Shivam will join him.

WHERE: Halls 601 to 604, Level 6 Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre, 1 Raffles Boulevard **MRT:** Esplanade/Promenade **WHEN:** Today, 7.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$45 to \$255 from Sistic (call 6348-5555 or go to www.sistic.com.sg)



ANUAR ZAIN 'CINTA TAKKAN BERAKHIR' LIVE IN SINGAPORE

Malay music industry veteran Anuar Zain (above) returns to Singapore following his last show here in 2015.

The Malaysian singer was named Best Artiste (Male) at regional Malay music awards show Anugerah Planet Muzik last year.

Expect him to belt out songs off his latest album, Anuar Zain V (2016), as well as hits such as Lelaki Ini and Sedetik Lebih.

WHERE: The Star Theatre, 04-01 The Star Performing Arts Centre, 1 Vista Exchange Green **MRT:** Buona Vista **WHEN:** Today, 8.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$98 to \$228 from Sistic



BIG SHAQ PRESENTED BY COLLECTIVE MINDS X ZOUK

British comedian-turned-rapper Michael Dapaah (above) turned into an overnight Internet sensation following his appearance on BBC 1Xtra's Charlie Sloth: Fire In The Booth, where he debuted Man's Not Hot under his alter ego, Big Shaq. Hear the chart-topping single live at



PHOTOS: ANUAR ZAIN NETWORK/HYPE RECORDS, DAVID LEWIS PRODUCTIONS, DE IDEAZ, ZOUK SINGAPORE

Phuture, where he will be supported by Zouk resident DJ Nash D.

WHERE: Zouk (Phuture), The Cannery, 3C River Valley Road **MRT:** Clarke Quay **WHEN:** Nov 2, doors open at 10pm **ADMISSION:** \$40 for early-bird and \$50 for advance tickets from https://bit.ly/2CCUTAY; \$60 at the door. Includes entry to all three club outlets



Grammy Award-winning saxophonist Kenny G performs at The Star Theatre on Nov 8. PHOTO: CHAPMAN BAEHLER

welfare, but is workable only in a handful of countries.

WHERE: EAI Conference Room, 06-01 Tower Block, National University of Singapore Bukit Timah Campus, 469A Bukit Timah Road **MRT:** Botanic Gardens **WHEN:** Tue, 3.30 - 5pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** research.nus.edu.sg/eai

CLASSES

Portrait-sketching Workshops

Pencil Academy and Bond Creative are holding a roadshow to promote their portrait-sketching workshops, where visitors can sign up on the spot. The first session (Dec 2, 3 - 6pm) is a trial workshop (\$120 nett a person). A package of eight workshops will cost \$840 (usual price: \$960).

WHERE: The Local People Holland Village Art Market, Holland Village Q82 open-air carpark **MRT:** Holland Village **WHEN:** Roadshow: Nov 2, 5 - 11pm; workshops: Sun, 3 - 6pm (from Dec 2) **ADMISSION:** Free for roadshow; classes from \$120 nett a person **TEL:** 9674-6327 **INFO:** E-mail hello@pencil.academy

Power Of Mentoring Workshop

Conducted by Mr Glenn Lim, chairman of the National Mentoring Alliance, this workshop is intended to help participants coach and mentor

others to shorten their learning curve and stretch their potential.

WHERE: SR 5.09, Block B, SIM@Clementi, 461 Clementi Road **MRT:** Clementi **WHEN:** Nov 3, 1 - 5pm

ADMISSION/INFO: \$10 a person (\$20 for three people), register at bit.ly/powermentoring **TEL:** WhatsApp Kok Wah (9488-5163) or Shirley (9366-2688)



CROSSFADE FEATURING FEDDE LE GRAND

Best known for classic tunes like Let Me Think About It and Put Your Hands Up 4 Detroit, Dutch DJ producer Fedde Le Grand (left), who placed at No. 22 on DJ Mag's Top 100 DJs ranking this year, will stop by Ce La Vi tonight as part of the club's house music series of gigs.

WHERE: Ce La Vi SkyBar, Marina Bay Sands Tower 3, 1 Bayfront Avenue **WHEN:** Today, 10pm till late **ADMISSION:** \$28 for pre-sale tickets from https://bit.ly/2yZ39aT and \$38 at the door. Entry includes one premium pour. For table reservations, call 6508-2188 or e-mail reservation-sg@celavi.com

FESTIVALS

Passion@KampongGlam

Weekends start on Fridays in the historical precinct of Kampong Glam, with cooking demonstrations by chefs Mel Dean and Oktay Sahin, who will host a different guest chef every Friday. On Saturdays, musicians from Sultangate Musicman, Ethnique Music Connections and Dikir Barat will perform, while Sundays feature fun activities for families.

WHERE: In front of Singapore Visitor Centre, 54 Bussorah Street **MRT:** Bugis **WHEN:** Till March 17; Fri - Sun, 4 - 6pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** E-mail info@passionATKampongglam.com.sg

Stay Woke Youth Fest

This festival for youth includes activities such as educational exhibits on mental health and screenings of short films. There is also a youth dialogue titled Mental Resilience In A Changing World that explores mental-health challenges faced by today's youth. The festival is organised by Campus PSY, the Agency for Integrated Care and other partners as part of the Mental Health Awareness Singapore Learning Series this year.

WHERE: University Town, National University of Singapore, 2 College Avenue West **MRT:** Kent Ridge/Dover **WHEN:** Wed, 10am - 5pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** facebook.com/MentalHealthAwarenessSG

Public Forum: Ask me! I'm A Speech Therapist!

Speech therapy is a multi-faceted discipline that focuses on the diagnosis and management of swallowing and communication disorders in children and adults. At this public forum, SingHealth's speech therapists will talk about the causes, symptoms and management of conditions relating to speech, voice, social communication and swallowing.

WHERE: Tampines Regional Library, Level 2 Our Tampines Hub, 11 Tampines Walk **MRT:** Tampines **WHEN:** Nov 3, 11am - 3pm **ADMISSION/INFO:** Free, register at lead.me/askmeST

Communications Course: How To Manage Bad News In A Digital Age

In the digital age, information can go viral quickly. Learn how to manage the fallout when a public complaint arises or when an event does not go as planned. Conducted by Mr Ng Wei Joo, a specialist in corporate and crisis communication, this course covers how to take steps to avoid a crisis, managing information online and offline, tackling a crisis as it happens and how to write a crisis report for management.

WHERE: Level 8 Tower Block, SPH News Centre, 1000 Toa Payoh North **MRT:** Braddell **WHEN:** Nov 16, 10am - 6pm **ADMISSION:** \$648 a person, sign up at stskills.sg **TEL:** 6319-5076 **INFO:** E-mail STmasterclass@sph.com.sg