

ArtsPicks

Olivia Ho recommends



LITHE

T.H.E. Second Company, the junior wing of Singapore dance troupe T.H.E. (The Human Expression), marks its parent company's 10th anniversary with three works.

Anthea Seah's *One Of These Things Is Not Like The Others* draws on The Burnout Society, South Korean-born German philosopher Byung-Chul Han's book on stress and social exhaustion.

Goh Shou Yi explores the "in-between" of relationships in *A Visceral Experience I Can't Explain*; while Marcus Foo moves on to the second phase of his work, *This Is How We Meet/Part* (above), a set of intimate duets.

**WHERE:** School of the Arts Studio Theatre, 1 Zubir Said Drive **MRT:** Dhoby Ghaut **WHEN:** Today, 8pm, and tomorrow, 3 and 8pm **ADMISSION:** \$28 from Sistic (call 6348-5555 or go to [www.sistic.com.sg](http://www.sistic.com.sg)) **INFO:** [www.the-dancecompany.com](http://www.the-dancecompany.com)



AFFORDABLE ART FAIR

Eighty galleries, both local and international, will exhibit contemporary art that might spare you from breaking the bank.

This year's fair features artists such as China's Luo Dan with the *Balance Series* (left), South Korea's Cha Jae-young with her ribbon installations and Briton Dean "Zeus" Colman with his interactive game-inspired installation *Artopoly*.

**WHERE:** F1 Pit Building, 1 Republic Boulevard **MRT:** Promenade **WHEN:** Today, noon to 9pm (Arty-Licious Evening charity night, 6 to 9pm); tomorrow, 11am to 7pm; Sunday, 11am to 6pm **ADMISSION:** \$18, \$25 for Arty-Licious Evening; \$10 for concessions; free for children under 16 if accompanied by paying adult **INFO:** [affordableartfair.com/fairs/singapore](http://affordableartfair.com/fairs/singapore)



MINIMALISM: SPACE. LIGHT. OBJECT

Mirrored cubes. Mono-coloured rooms. Words on the wall.

The highly reduced forms of the Minimalism movement, which first came to prominence in 1960s New York, radically challenged the concepts of art and continue to resonate today.

This exhibition by National Gallery Singapore and ArtScience Museum is the first survey of Minimalist art in South-east Asia of this scale, with around 150 artworks by more than 80 artists. These span five decades and come not just from the United States, but also Asia, Europe and Australia.

Besides works by well-known figures such as Donald Judd from the United States, Anish Kapoor (Void, above) from Britain and Ai Weiwei from China, there are also new installations by Cambodian artist Sopheap Pich and Chinese artist Liu Jianhua.

**WHERE:** National Gallery Singapore, 1 St Andrew's Road; ArtScience Museum, 6 Bayfront Avenue **MRT:** City Hall/Bayfront **WHEN:** National Gallery Singapore: Today to April 14, 10am to 7pm (Saturdays to Thursdays), and 10am to 9pm (Fridays). ArtScience Museum: 10am to 7pm daily

**ADMISSION:** \$15 to \$34 for Singaporeans and permanent residents, \$25 to \$40 for non-residents, depending on venue and number of exhibitions **INFO:** [www.minimalism.sg](http://www.minimalism.sg)



THE SAINT MARC CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Hear beloved Disney songs in French this evening with the Saint Marc Children's Choir.

Known for singing in the Academy Award-nominated film *Les Choristes* (2004), the choir from Lyon, France will be performing hits such as *Can You Feel The Love Tonight* from *The Lion King* (1994) and *Let It Go* from *Frozen* (2013).

Singaporean oboist Quek Jun Rui, 16, a student at the National University of Singapore Yong Siew Toh Conservatory of Music, will accompany the group.

**WHERE:** Victoria Concert Hall, 9 Empress Place **MRT:** City Hall **WHEN:** Tuesday and Wednesday, 7.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$58 to \$98 from Sistic **INFO:** [www.lichastelaus.com](http://www.lichastelaus.com)

PHOTOS: ASIAN ART PLATFORM, BERNIE NG, NATIONAL GALLERY SINGAPORE, THE SAINT MARC CHILDREN'S CHOIR

ARTS

AUDITIONS

Tryout For RawHaus Dance Programme

Raw Moves Studio is holding an audition for aspiring dancers to join its weekly RawHaus training programme, which offers students networking opportunities with Raw Moves' artistic team, as well as local and international dance educators, artists and choreographers.

**WHERE:** 01-08 Block B, Goodman Arts Centre, 90 Goodman Road **MRT:** Mountbatten **WHEN:** Nov 23, 7.30 - 9.30pm **ADMISSION:** Free **TEL:** 6493-7112 **INFO:** E-mail [rawmoves.manager@gmail.com](mailto:rawmoves.manager@gmail.com) or go to [rawmoves.net/rawhaus](http://rawmoves.net/rawhaus)

BOOKS

Meet-The-Author: Wang Gungwu Of Home Is Not Here

Wang Gungwu is best known for his explorations of Chinese history in the long view and his writings on the Chinese diaspora. But with *Home Is Not Here*, the historian turns to his personal history, talking about his multicultural upbringing and life under British rule.

**WHERE:** Kinokuniya Singapore Main Store, 04-20/21 Ngee Ann City (Takashimaya Shopping Centre), 391 Orchard Road **MRT:** Orchard **WHEN:** Tomorrow, 4pm **ADMISSION:** Free **TEL:** 6737-5021 **INFO:** [kinokuniya.com.sg](http://kinokuniya.com.sg)

Book Launch: Marylyn Tan's Gaze Back

Poet and painter Marylyn Tan launches her first book, *Gaze Back*, with writer-editor Mrigaa Sethi hosting the event. The book is a

volume of trans-genre, mixed-media poetics, exploring symbols in the occult and religion, among other themes.

**WHERE:** The Projector, Level 5 Golden Mile Tower, 6001 Beach Road **MRT:** Nicoll Highway **WHEN:** Nov 23, 6 - 8pm **ADMISSION:** Free **TEL:** 6659-1749 (Ethos Books) **INFO:** [bit.ly/marilyn-tan-gaze-back](http://bit.ly/marilyn-tan-gaze-back)

CONCERTS

SPH Gift Of Music: SCO Community Concert - Sing! SCO

The Singapore Chinese Orchestra (SCO), conducted by Quek Ling Kieng, will perform classical favourites and familiar xinyao songs at this concert sponsored by SPH Gift of Music.

**WHERE:** Grand Lawn, West Coast Park, West Coast Ferry Road **MRT:** Haw Par Villa/Clementi **WHEN:** Tomorrow, 6 - 7pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** [sco.com.sg](http://sco.com.sg)

Samba Botanica 2018

Get your groove on in the heart of Singapore Botanic Gardens with Sambista, a Singapore-based percussion band with an Afro-Brazilian set-up. The group will perform original Afro-Brazilian music and modern pop song mash-ups.

**WHERE:** Shaw Foundation Symphony Stage, Singapore Botanic Gardens, 1 Cluny Road **MRT:** Botanic Gardens **WHEN:** Tomorrow, 6.30 - 7.30pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** E-mail [nparks\\_sbg\\_visitor\\_services@nparks.gov.sg](mailto:nparks_sbg_visitor_services@nparks.gov.sg)

Nan Chiau High School Choir

The Nan Chiau High School Choir, formed in 2001, will perform choral music from Europe, Asia and the Americas. Half the ticket proceeds will go towards supporting the Esplanade's community engagement

programmes, which bring the arts to at-risk youth, the elderly, people with special needs and other underserved communities.

**WHERE:** Esplanade Concert Hall, 1 Esplanade Drive **MRT:** Esplanade/City Hall **WHEN:** Mon, 7.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$13 **INFO:** [www.esplanade.com](http://www.esplanade.com)

Band Fiesta

Organised by the Band Directors' Association (Singapore), this event will see bands such as the Montfort Secondary School Military Band, East Spring Symphonic Band, Eunoia Junior College Symphonic Band and the Bendemeer Alumni Wind Ensemble perform pop favourites such as *Uptown Funk* and *Shape Of You* and classics like *Deep Purple Medley*.

**WHERE:** Shaw Foundation Symphony Stage, Singapore Botanic Gardens, 1 Cluny Road **MRT:** Botanic Gardens **WHEN:** Nov 24, 5 - 7pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** E-mail [nparks\\_sbg\\_visitor\\_services@nparks.gov.sg](mailto:nparks_sbg_visitor_services@nparks.gov.sg)

Er Hu Master George Gao Concert

George Gao began studying the erhu at the age of six. A few years later, he won first prize at the Shanghai Junior Instrumental Soloist Competition and went on to win numerous other awards and launched an international performing career. He has also composed music for many films and documentaries.

**WHERE:** Esplanade Concert Hall, 1 Esplanade Drive **MRT:** Esplanade/City Hall **WHEN:** Nov 25, 7pm **ADMISSION:** \$68 - \$298 **INFO:** [www.esplanade.com](http://www.esplanade.com)

Paya Lebar MGS Choir

The Paya Lebar Methodist Girls' School (Secondary) Choir, also known

as *One Voice*, makes its debut at *Limelight 2018*, a series that gives some of the best school choirs and symphonic bands in Singapore an opportunity to perform at the Esplanade Concert Hall. The choir will present *Songs Of Innocence And Joy*, a whimsical programme of choral works from around the world. Half the ticket proceeds will go towards supporting the Esplanade's community engagement programmes.

**WHERE:** Esplanade Concert Hall, 1 Esplanade Drive **MRT:** Esplanade/City Hall **WHEN:** Nov 26, 7.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$13 **INFO:** [www.esplanade.com](http://www.esplanade.com)

DANCE

Romeo & Juliet By Russian State Ballet Of Siberia

Shakespeare's tale of primal passion and timeless tragedy is brought to life by Prokofiev's soaring score, set in bustling Renaissance Verona and with emotionally charged choreography that befits the world's greatest love story. From the grandeur of the masked ball to the intimacy of the lovers' balcony, this story of bitter family feuds and love is unmissable.

**WHERE:** Sands Theatre, Marina Bay Sands, 10 Bayfront Avenue **MRT:** Bayfront **WHEN:** Nov 23 & 24, 8pm; Nov 25, 1pm **ADMISSION:** \$55 - \$175 **TEL:** 6348-5555 **INFO:** [sistic.com.sg](http://sistic.com.sg)

EXHIBITIONS (GALLERIES)

Dr Iskandar Jalil: Paradox

This solo exhibition by Dr Iskandar Jalil showcases more than 65 ceramic artworks, many of which were specially produced for this event. It features signature vessels that

Singapore's master potter is celebrated for, as well as recent works bearing sculptural qualities and dynamic combinations of ceramic techniques, glazes and decoration. The exhibition is held in conjunction with the 33rd Asean Summit and 45th Anniversary of Japan-Asean Friendship and Cooperation and to commemorate the strong ties between Singapore and Japan.

**WHERE:** Japan Creative Centre, Embassy of Japan in Singapore, 4 Nassim Road **MRT:** Orchard **WHEN:** Today, tomorrow, Tue - Thu, Nov 24, Nov 27 - 30: 10am - 6pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** [goo.gl/RnZjzg](http://goo.gl/RnZjzg)

Caleo - An Art Exhibition For Interdisciplinary Artists

Caleo is an independent art exhibition curated by Jyot Bhalla of 615 Productions. It features nine young local artists' works, ranging from poetry to visual arts, films, theatre and more and hopes to help amateur artists find a footing in their respective industries.

**WHERE:** King's Mansion, 437 Tanjong Katong Road **MRT:** Dakota/Paya Lebar **WHEN:** Tomorrow, 5 - 8pm **ADMISSION:** Free **TEL:** 8425-1302

THEATRE

Adishakti Theatre: Bali

Among the unsung heroes of the Indian epic *Ramayana* is the army of monkeys from the land of Kishkindha that helped Rama win his war against the demon king Ravana. But before these simian soldiers followed him into war, their ruler, the monkey king Bali, commanded them.

**WHERE:** Esplanade Theatre Studio, 1 Esplanade Drive **MRT:** Esplanade/City Hall **WHEN:** Nov 24, 8pm, & Nov 25, 3pm **ADMISSION:** \$30 (\$18 concession for students, full-time national servicemen & senior citizens) **INFO:** [www.esplanade.com](http://www.esplanade.com)