

GIGS

Sangeetha Sings Sinatra

Hear local singer and actress Rebekah Sangeetha Dorai's interpretations of Frank Sinatra classics, such as Come Fly With Me, Fly Me To The Moon, I've Got You Under My Skin and My Way.  
**WHERE:** Esplanade Recital Studio, 1 Esplanade Drive **MRT:** Esplanade/ City Hall **WHEN:** Today, 7.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$35 (students: \$15) **INFO:** www.esplanade.com

Rene Ann Wong: Solo Esplanade Debut

Pop-rock singer-songwriter Rene Ann Wong makes her Esplanade solo debut, in which she will perform her single, Lonely, which was released in April last year, as well as new material to be released this year. The 22-year-old has been performing since she was 14 and won first place in Noise Singapore's The Great Singapore Replay Open Call in 2017.  
**WHERE:** Esplanade Forecourt Garden (near Jubilee Bridge), 1 Esplanade Drive **MRT:** Esplanade/ City Hall **WHEN:** Jan 25, 8.15pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** www.esplanade.com

Daniel Sid: From Busker To Bigger Stage

Up-and-coming artist Daniel Sid, 23, has taken his music from the streets to bigger stages here and will soon go international. He will make his debut at the Esplanade and launch his first EP soon.  
**WHERE:** Esplanade Forecourt Garden (near Jubilee Bridge), 1 Esplanade Drive **MRT:** Esplanade/ City Hall **WHEN:** Jan 26, 6.30 & 7.45pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** www.esplanade.com

Banana Suicide Forest

Progressive metal quintet Banana Suicide Forest were formed in 2016 by current music and audio technology students at Singapore Polytechnic. The band – comprising vocalist Josias Lim, guitarists Dominic Yuan and Michelle Quek, bassist Kwa Jia Xuan, and drummer Gavin Loo – combine technical and melodic chordal-driven guitar riffs with syncopated basslines and drum parts.  
**WHERE:** Esplanade Concourse, 1 Esplanade Drive **MRT:** Esplanade/ City Hall **WHEN:** Jan 29, 7pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** www.esplanade.com

Rock In 60 Minutes

The Singapore Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Jacomo Bairos and accompanied by electric guitarists Nick Omiccioli and Paul Cesarczyk, will perform explosive, rock-infused, electric and genre-bending music from the likes of Frank Zappa, Radiohead and Daft Punk.  
**WHERE:** Esplanade Concert Hall, 1 Esplanade Drive **MRT:** Esplanade/ City Hall **WHEN:** Jan 31, 7.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$18 - \$48 **TEL:** 6348-5555 **INFO:** www.sistic.com.sg

CHARITY

Speaker Tan Chuan-Jin's Photo Exhibition

Speaker of Parliament Tan Chuan-Jin is working with 13 charities, Hope Initiative Alliance, Far East Organisation and Arts@work to raise funds for vulnerable communities here and overseas. Mr Tan's latest personal photography project, named Our Place In The World, showcases images of his travels over the years. There will be an exhibition of the photos next month and well-wishers can buy prints of the images in various forms, from postcards (\$50 for 15 postcards in a folder) to a Special Photo Book Set and Premium Photo Book Set (\$1,000 and \$5,000 each respectively, autographed by Mr Tan). Exclusive Metal Prints (\$10,000 each) will be autographed and personally presented by Mr Tan during a high-tea session. The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund is among the charities involved.  
**WHERE:** Level 2 Concourse, Far East Plaza, 14 Scotts Road **MRT:** Orchard **WHEN:** Feb 1 - 3, 7 - 28: 11am - 7pm; Feb 4: 11am - 3pm **ADMISSION:** Free **INFO:** www.spmf.org.sg

TALKS

Mindfulness With Flowers

Through the use of flowers, one can cultivate greater awareness of one's surroundings. In this workshop, learn

how to appreciate the beauty of flowers through smell, sight, touch.  
**WHERE:** Lululemon, 79 Duxton Road **MRT:** Tanjong Pagar **WHEN:** Tomorrow & Jan 26, 2 - 3.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$50 (includes materials), register at www.thegreenroom.com.sg/ workshop

DigiMuse Presents: Artist Talks

Local and international artists will share their experiences using new technologies to advance their creative practices and perspectives on curating tech-art. The speakers are Hiroaki Umeda, Justine Emard, Yang Derong, Galina Mihaleva, Randy Chan and The Little Arts Academy artists.  
**WHERE:** Basement & Level 1, National Museum of Singapore, 93 Stamford Road **MRT:** Bras Basah/ Dhoby Ghaut **WHEN:** Tomorrow (3, 4 & 5pm), Jan 25 (5 & 6pm) & Jan 26 (5pm) **ADMISSION:** Free, for more information & to register, go to digimuse2019.peatix.com

Volunteering For YMCA Overseas Missions

YMCA of Singapore, which regularly organises overseas volunteering trips to neighbouring countries under the International Service Programmes, is holding a session in which facilitators will share their volunteering

experience. Participants can also find out how they can be involved in upcoming trips.  
**WHERE:** Room 205, Level 2, YMCA of Singapore, 1 Orchard Road **MRT:** Dhoby Ghaut **WHEN:** Thu, 7pm **ADMISSION:** Free, sign up at tinyurl.com/ISP-InfoSession **TEL:** 6586-2338 **INFO:** E-mail chenyin@ymca.org.sg

Pig Tales For Chinese New Year

With the Year of the Pig approaching, learn about the forms and symbolisms pigs have taken in Asian and South-east Asian art and history – from the pig-headed house god of ancient Tibet to one of China's most beloved literary figures in the classic, Journey To The West. The speaker, Patricia Bjaaland Welch, pursued her love of Chinese history, art and religion at Boston University and became a university lecturer teaching the same subjects. She has also published five books, including Chinese Art: A Guide To Motifs And Visual Imagery.  
**WHERE:** Ngee Ann Auditorium, Asian Civilisations Museum, 1 Empress Place **MRT:** Raffles Place **WHEN:** Jan 28, 11am **ADMISSION:** Free **TEL:** 6337-3685 **INFO:** www.fom.sg

Gigs Picks

Boon Chan Media Correspondent recommends



GLEN WEE'S SOUNDS IN THE CITY ALBUM LAUNCH

Sounds In The City is the debut solo album of Singapore-born, Melbourne-based singer-songwriter Glen Wee.  
He says: "I like to think of the album as a little log book... of all my trials in this wonderful, continuous journey called life."  
A second show at 1pm has been added after the 3pm gig sold out.  
**WHERE:** 3 Kim Chuan Lane, 03-01 **MRT:** Tai Seng **WHEN:** Tomorrow, 1 and 3pm (sold out) **ADMISSION:** \$25 from soundsinthecity2.peatix.com

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BELINDA CARLISLE RUNAWAY HORSES 30TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR SINGAPORE

Runaway Horses, the third solo album from American singer Belinda Carlisle, was released in 1989. It came on the heels of the best-selling Heaven On Earth (1987) and spawned a clutch of pop hits, including Leave A Light On For Me and the title track.  
**WHERE:** The Star Theatre, 04-01 The Star Performing Arts Centre, 1 Vista Exchange Green **MRT:** Buona Vista **WHEN:** April 6, 8pm **ADMISSION:** \$108 to \$188 with limited VIP packages at \$428 from Sistic (call 6348-5555 or go to www.sistic.com.sg)



CAI QIN SINGAPORE CONCERT

Veteran Taiwanese singer Tsai Chin is back to serenade fans in her signature rich voice, with classic hits such as The Spirit Of Your Eyes.  
She will also take on songs by other singers, such as the late Zhou Xuan's Shanghai Nights and the late Teresa

Teng's The Moon Represents My Heart.  
**WHERE:** The Star Theatre, 04-01 The Star Performing Arts Centre, 1 Vista Exchange Green **MRT:** Buona Vista **WHEN:** Tomorrow, 8pm **ADMISSION:** \$88 to \$228 from Sistic



THE X'SSEMBLY COMPILATION ALBUM LAUNCH

The XS Collective, who includes hip-hop musicians such as (above from left) Young, Mean and Azrael, is one of the longest-running rap coalitions in the local hip-hop scene. Its first release, School For X'Scape

Artists, was in 2007. Its third compilation album, The X'Ssembly, features tracks such as Lion City Axe Gang.  
**WHERE:** Canvas Club, B1-01 The Riverwalk, 20 Upper Circular Road **MRT:** Clarke Quay **WHEN:** Today, 9pm **ADMISSION:** \$15 at the door

CLASSES

Personalised Make-up Workshop

Learn how to be your own make-up artist and use the best shades for your skin tone in this workshop. Topics include the types and benefits of make-up, as well as face shapes and contours.  
**WHERE:** 38 Jalan Pemimpin **MRT:** Marymount **WHEN:** Tomorrow, 2 - 4pm **ADMISSION:** Free, register at eventbrite.sg

Pineapple Tart Workshop

Chinatown Festivals is holding a pineapple-tart workshop in which participants can learn to make one of the most popular Chinese New Year treats.  
**WHERE:** Kreta Ayer Community Club, 28 Kreta Ayer Road **MRT:** Outram Park **WHEN:** Jan 27, 10am - 1pm **ADMISSION:** \$5 (for up to five people); tickets on sale at Kreta Ayer CC (tel: 6222-3597) & Kim Seng CC (tel: 6272-3878) **INFO:** tinyurl.com/pinetarts2019

Wonders Of The Voice – Voices Training Course

Learn to project, pronounce, inflect, emote, modulate, breathe right for vocal resonance, switch your accent or neutralise it to sound more

international. Bring characters alive with only your voice. Practise script analysis and try various voicecover and voice-acting lines.  
**WHERE:** Changi Simei Community Building, 10 Simei Street 2 **MRT:** Simei **WHEN:** Jan 27, 10am - 5.30pm **ADMISSION:** \$240 - \$250 (Skills Future claimable), sign up by Jan 20 at www.onepa.sg/class/details/c026691126 **INFO:** wondersofthevoice.com

ST English Masterclass (The Executive Edition Special: Creative Writing)

This course is conducted by Felix Cheong, who has published 13 books across different genres, from poetry to short stories. The recipient of the Young Artist award has worked in the media industry for more than 20 years and teaches journalism at the University of Newcastle and Murdoch University. He will cover topics such as the basics of narrative writing, generating story ideas; creating characters, plots, twists and endings; turning life experience into stories; and the publishing process.  
**WHERE:** SPH News Centre, 1000 Toa Payoh North **MRT:** Braddell **WHEN:** Jan 30, Feb 21; 10am - 6pm (lunch provided) **ADMISSION:** \$499 a person, sign up at stskills.sg **TEL:** 6319-5076 **INFO:** E-mail stmasterclass@sph.com.sg