

## GIGS

**Gerhana Skacinta  
20th Anniversary Tour  
Live In Singapore**

Malaysian ska band Gerhana Skacinta, who have performed at festivals in Singapore, Malaysia and Indonesia, will be singing their evergreen songs, Mimpi and This Is Ska.

**WHERE:** Esplanade Concert Hall, 1 Esplanade Drive **MRT:** Esplanade/ City Hall **WHEN:** Feb 7, 7.30pm  
**ADMISSION:** \$28 - \$58  
**TEL:** 6348-5555  
**INFO:** www.sistic.com.sg

**Golden Prosperous Year  
Concert**

Celebrate Chinese New Year with local getai singers Wang Lei, Hao Hao, Li Pei Fen, the Bao Bei Sisters, Zhong Jin Ling, Zheng Ying Ying, as well as veteran Malaysian singers Huang Xiao Feng and Zhuang Xue Zhong.

**WHERE:** Resorts World Theatre, Resorts World Sentosa, 8 Sentosa Gateway **MRT:** HarbourFront  
**WHEN:** Feb 10, 1 & 4pm  
**ADMISSION:** \$38 - \$88  
**TEL:** 6348-5555  
**INFO:** www.sistic.com.sg

**For King & Country  
Burn The Ships World Tour**

Grammy Award-winning For King & Country, comprising Australia-born and Nashville-raised brothers Joel and Luke Smallbone, will perform songs from their third studio album, Burn The Ships – including the title track and previous hits such as Fix My Eyes, Shoulders and Priceless.

**WHERE:** Gateway Theatre, 3615 Jalan Bukit Merah **MRT:** Redhill  
**WHEN:** Feb 11, 7.30pm (meet-&-greet session: 6pm) **ADMISSION:** \$28 - \$88; meet-&-greet package: \$50 - \$110; for tickets & more information, go to www.apactix.com

**An Enchanted Evening With  
Nanyang Songbird Yudi Yap**

Take a trip down memory lane and relive the golden years with some of the best-loved songs of the Nanyang region with evergreen singer Yudi Yap. She will perform jazzy renditions of classics such as Rose Rose I Love You, Dayung Sampan, Tian Mi Mi, Liu Lian Piao Xiang and Aiyomama.

**WHERE:** Esplanade Annexe Studio, 1 Esplanade Drive **MRT:** Esplanade/ City Hall **WHEN:** Feb 21 & 22, 8pm  
**ADMISSION:** \$30  
**INFO:** www.esplanade.com

**Josh Groban Bridges Tour**

American singer Josh Groban, who is behind the global hit, You Raise Me Up, will be joined on stage by a full orchestra and choir to deliver an unforgettable performance. Groban has sold more than 30 million albums worldwide, but has never performed in South-east Asia.

**WHERE:** The Star Theatre, 04-01 The Star Vista, 1 Vista Exchange Green **MRT:** Buona Vista **WHEN:** Feb 25, 8pm  
**ADMISSION:** \$108 - \$328  
**TEL:** 6348-5555  
**INFO:** www.sistic.com.sg

## CHARITY

**Speaker Tan Chuan-Jin's  
Photo Exhibition**

Speaker of Parliament Tan Chuan-Jin is raising funds for vulnerable communities here and abroad through his photography project, which showcases images of his travels over the years. Visitors 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 respectively) that are autographed by Mr Tan. Exclusive metal prints (\$10,000 each) will be autographed and personally presented by Mr Tan during a high-tea session by the beneficiaries is The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund.

**WHERE:** Level 2 Concourse, Far East Plaza, 14 Scotts Road **MRT:** Orchard  
**WHEN:** Feb 1 - 28, 11am - 7pm  
**ADMISSION:** Free  
**INFO:** www.spmf.org.sg

## TALKS

**Pig Tales For Chinese New Year**

As the Year of the Pig approaches, learn about the symbolism of pigs 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 pig holds a special position throughout the region. The speaker, Patricia Bjaaland Welch, pursued her love for Chinese history, art and religion in Boston University and became a university lecturer teaching the same subjects. She has also published five books.

**WHERE:** Function Hall, Level 5 The URA Centre, 45 Maxwell Road **MRT:** Tanjong Pagar/Chinatown Place **MRT:** Raffles Place **WHEN:** Mon, 11am  
**ADMISSION:** Free  
**TEL:** 6337-3685 **INFO:** www.fom.sg

## Gigs Picks

**Eddino Abdul Hadi Music Correspondent recommends****#UMAMISOUNDS**

Singapore record label Umami Records will stage the second instalment of its live music series, this time with three acts from its roster.

On the bill are electronica/R&B singer Theodora (above), who released her recent single, Talking Insane, new pop trio brb, and rapper Nicco Homaili, known for his blend of hip-hop and electronica.

**WHERE:** Decline, 37 Lorong 23 Geylang **MRT:** Aljunied  
**WHEN:** Feb 1, 7pm **ADMISSION:** \$25 from bit.ly/2R.JwJgB, \$28 at the door

**SANGRIENTO BLOOD PACT ALBUM +  
COMIC LAUNCH**

Home-grown symphonic metal band Sangriento, an alumni of the Noise Music Mentorship and Baybeats Budding Band programmes, made their name with their theatrical live performances and steampunk-inspired image.

The band will launch Blood Pact, an 11-track concept album with a storyline set in a post-apocalyptic wasteland. The album is accompanied by a graphic novel drawn by drummer Christal, comprising chapters based on the new songs.

**WHERE:** Aliwal Arts Centre, Multi-Purpose Hall, 28 Aliwal Street **MRT:** Bugis/Lavender/Nicoll Highway  
**WHEN:** Tomorrow, 7pm **ADMISSION:** From \$17, go to sangrientobloodpact.peatix.com

**ART AFTER DARK  
X SINGAPORE ART WEEK**

Art After Dark, part of Singapore Art Week, features not just exhibitions, talks and live art performances, but also music by electronic acts and singers.

Performing at the party are producer-DJ Intrigant, singer, songwriter and producer Vandetta (above), rapper and singer MASTA and dub artist MetzDub.

**WHERE:** Gillman Barracks, 9 Lock Road **MRT:** Labrador Park  
**WHEN:** Today, 7pm **ADMISSION:** Free

**SEPARATE CONVERSATIONS  
WITH FAUX PAS**

Alternative rock quartet Faux Pas, who came to prominence through their stints in the Noise Music Mentorship and Baybeats Budding Band programmes, will celebrate the release of their debut EP, Separate Conversations, with two live sets at the Esplanade Outdoor Theatre.

The band are known for their buoyant brand of indie rock. Their performances are part of the Esplanade's All Things New series of shows by rising home-grown acts taking place throughout this month.

**WHERE:** Esplanade Outdoor Theatre, 1 Esplanade Drive **MRT:** Esplanade  
**WHEN:** Tomorrow, 8.15 and 9.30pm  
**ADMISSION:** Free



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FACEBOOK,  
UMAMI RECORDS,  
SANGRIENTO,  
VANDETTA

**1819 And Before:  
Singapore's Pasts**

Since the first archaeological excavation 35 years ago, more than half a million artefacts have been recovered from the Temasek (14th to 16th centuries) and Singapore eras (from 1819). The artefacts prove that Singapore had a sophisticated multicultural society and complex economy before 1350. The seminar will address important questions, which include the provenance of artefacts, ancient ecology and the environment of Singapore as well as the reconstruction of artefacts.

**WHERE:** ISEAS Seminar Room 2, ISEAS-Yusuf Ishak Institute, 30 Heng Mui Keng Terrace **MRT:** Kent Ridge  
**WHEN:** Tue, 10 - 11.30am  
**ADMISSION:** Free, e-mail nsevents@iseas.edu.sg to register  
**INFO:** www.iseas.edu.sg

**Presenting Design Ideas  
To Clients**

Learn what clients expect from graphic designers, the three critical things to know before starting design work and how to structure one's presentation and deliver it with maximum effectiveness. The speaker, Mr Chris Minjoot, has 25 years of experience in branding, marketing and communications.

**WHERE:** MAD School, 03-22 Riverside

Point, 30 Merchant Road  
**MRT:** Fort Canning/Clarke Quay  
**WHEN:** Jan 31, 7 - 9pm  
**ADMISSION:** Free, \$6.04 for beer & pizza, register at tinyurl.com/yaag8qah

## CLASSES

**Old Clothes, New Life –  
Tapestry Weaving Workshop**

Learn how to repurpose that old blouse or pair of pants, basic weaving techniques and how to make tassels and fringes. Participants can take home a weaving loom kit worth \$59.

**WHERE:** Citizen Farm, 60 Jalan Penjara **MRT:** Queenstown  
**WHEN:** Tomorrow, 2 - 5pm; Feb 9, 9.30am - 12.30pm  
**ADMISSION:** \$79 a person **INFO:** E-mail learn@citizenfarm.com.sg or go to citizenfarm.com.sg/shop

**Pineapple Tarts Workshop**

In this workshop by Chinatown Festivals, participants will 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:** Sun, 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

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

This course is conducted by Felix Cheong, who has published 13 books across various genres, from poetry to short stories. The recipient of the Young Artist Award, who has worked in the media industry for more than 20 years, holds a master's degree in creative writing 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 and creating characters; plots, twists and endings; as well as 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

## FESTIVALS

**Splendour Of Spring  
At One Raffles Place**

Meet the God of Fortune, have your fortune told, collect red packets, stand to win gift vouchers and watch a lion dance performance by the

winners of last year's Ngee Ann City National Lion Dance Competition. Geomancer and numerologist Alec Chia will greet shoppers at the God of Fortune (noon to 2pm today and Jan 29 and 31) and talk about the zodiac signs (level 5, noon, same dates)

**WHERE:** One Raffles Place Shopping Mall, 1 Raffles Place **MRT:** Raffles Place  
**WHEN:** Till Feb 4, various times; lion dance: Feb 12 (11.08am)  
**ADMISSION:** Free  
**INFO:** www.onerafflesplace.com.sg

## SPORTS

**Super Rugby –  
Sunwolves Vs Sharks**

This year's Super Rugby season kicks off with Singapore's adopted home team, Hito-Communications Sunwolves, who will face off South Africa's Sharks at the National Stadium. Having won their first match here last year, the Sunwolves hope to take home the trophy again.

**WHERE:** National Stadium, Singapore Sports Hub, 1 Stadium Drive **MRT:** Stadium  
**WHEN:** Feb 16, 6.55 - 8.15pm  
**ADMISSION:** From \$10, for tickets & more information, go to sportshub.com.sg/SuperRugby