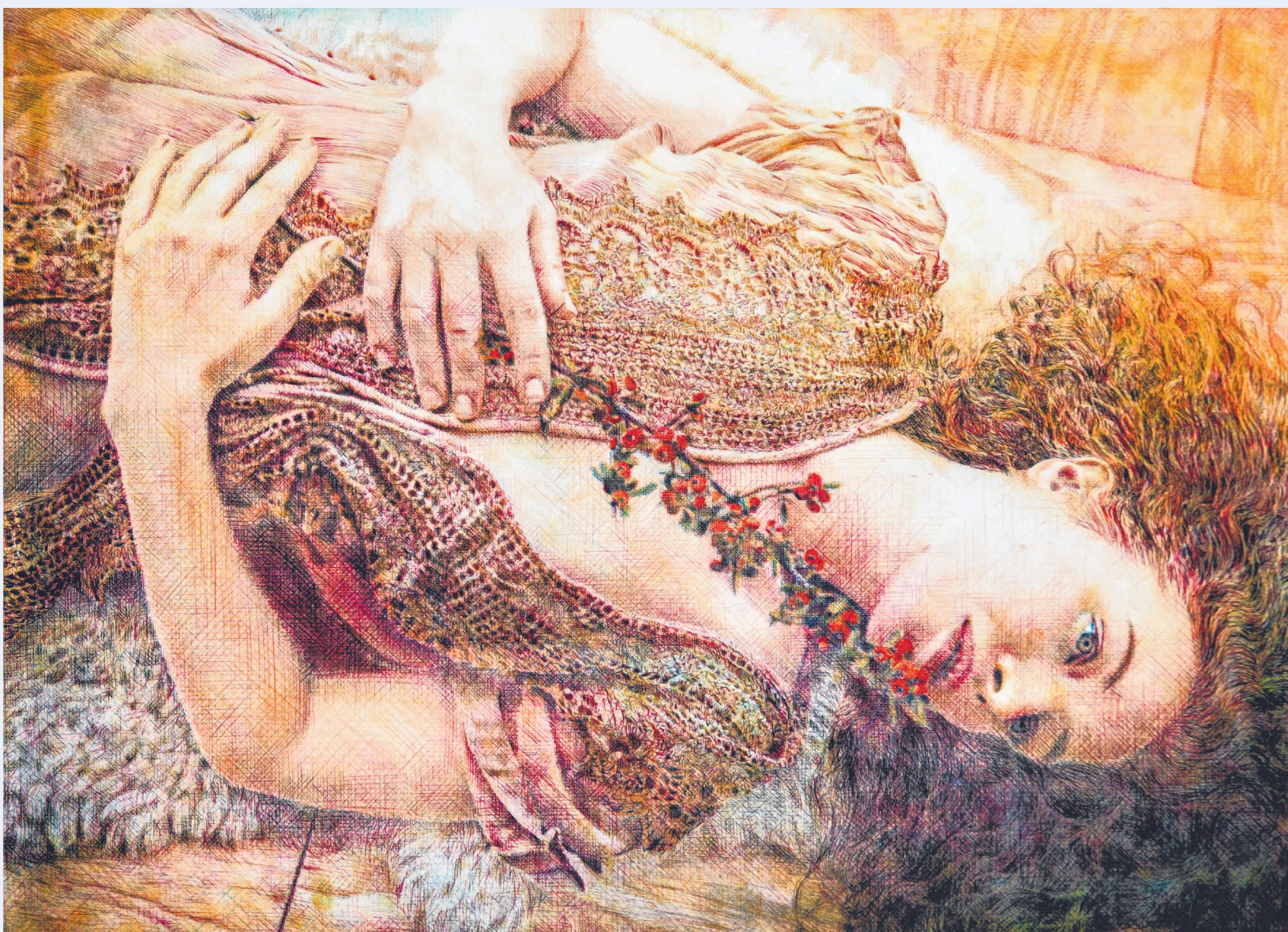


## Ong Sor Fern Senior Culture Correspondent recommends



## PRINTMAKERS' ASSEMBLY

The latest online show by STPI - Creative Workshop & Gallery is a nice survey of works by 25 artists from 16 cities. The 65 prints showcase the diversity and richness of print practice around the world.

Thai artist Kraissak Chirachaisakul's dreamy pre-Raphaelite Sleeping Beauty (left, US\$1,405 or S\$1,963) is astonishingly detailed, executed with multi-plate drypoint etching on paper.

Equally atmospheric is the Samudra series from Malaysia-based artist Ilse Noor, inspired by the oceans as well as shapes from Hindu-Buddhist relics. Her two works at the show are priced at \$4,700 and \$5,500.

There are plenty of more affordable works. Singapore-based Joseph Chiang has a series of vivid black and white graphic prints of shophouse windows in linocut and paper relief, priced at just \$280 each.

WHERE: str.sg/JdRM

WHEN: Till June 21 ADMISSION: Free

INFO: E-catalogue at str.sg/JdRA



## ISOLATION

Over the circuit breaker period, contemporary arts centre The Substation has been sharing works commissioned from 18 artists for its Isolation series. The last works went up earlier this week and the whole series can be accessed via The Substation's Facebook page playlist (str.sg/JdFZ) or its Instagram channel (str.sg/JdF4).

The works cut across different disciplines and there are collaborations between artists as well. Watch out for dancer Sandhya Suresh's video (above), a simple recital of traditional Odissi training steps unfolding in tightly controlled measures against a green wall and a contemporary electronic music track.

T.H.E. Dance Company's Anthea Seah's video piece cleverly uses effects and editing to make the most

of showcasing a single dancer in a confined space. The segments layering images of Seah with her shadows are particularly effective.

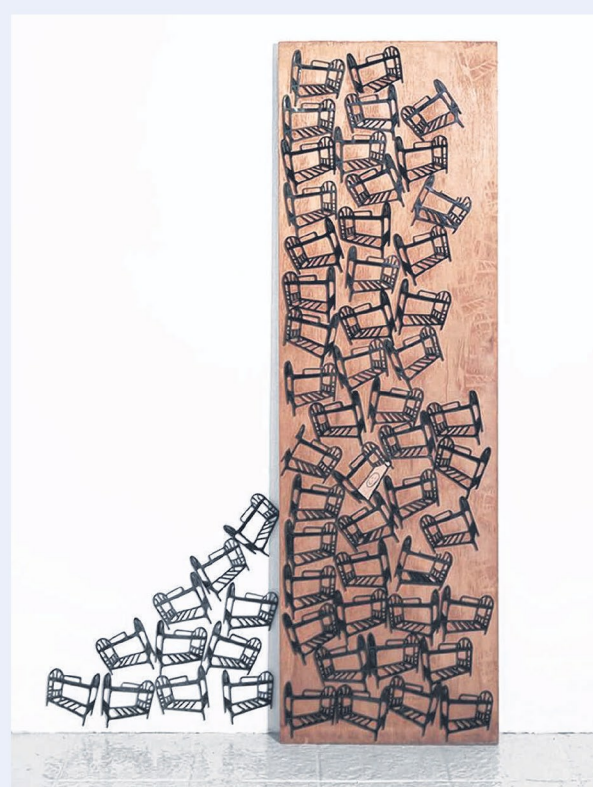
Another piece which layers images and sound to moving effect is artist Wendy Toh's short film, which captures her grandmother's daily routine. It is a loving document as well as a thoughtful exploration of time, and how one's perception of it expands and contracts at different periods of one's life.

Watch out for artist Ila's Awash, juxtaposing meditative statements about the circuit breaker with a sensual video of hand-washing, and poet Cyril Wong's recital of three poems reflecting on media, isolation and creation.

WHERE: Facebook at str.sg/JdFZ, Instagram at str.sg/JdF4

ADMISSION: Free

INFO: str.sg/JdFo



## MOVING IN PLACE

Buy a work of art and support migrant workers. Art gallery Coda Culture's online charity sale is offering 16 works donated by artists, each priced at \$750, the average monthly salary of a migrant worker.

Proceeds will go to Transient Workers Count Too (TWC2). TWC2 is raising funds to help workers in dormitories pay for SIM cards so they can stay in touch with their families. Funds will also be directed to newly warded workers to facilitate contact tracing and buy chargers for patients warded without their belongings.

The works range from mixed-media pieces to photographic prints to performance art. Multidisciplinary artist Loo Zihan's Temporary Measures: A Procession Of Physical Proximity is an intriguing one-on-one work involving a 9.5km walk which takes about three hours.

INFO: str.sg/JdRj

It's A Balancing Act, Very Balanced Approach, Delicate, Tough, Never Ending by Veronyka Lau is one of the works on sale.

PHOTOS: CODA CULTURE, STPI - CREATIVE WORKSHOP & GALLERY, THE FINGER PLAYERS, THE SUBSTATION



## THE LITTLE PLAYERS CRAFT KIT

Parents on the lookout for kids' activities that do not entail staring at a digital screen can check out The Finger Players' puppet-making kit.

Each craft kit is priced at \$19 and is targeted at children aged seven and up. The kit comes with materials for children to customise their own finger puppets (above). They can exercise a little creativity and practise fine motor skills at the same time.

For this project, The Finger Players is partnering AMKFSC Community Services, which operates four family service centres, and children's bookshop Woods In The Books. You can buy two kits and share one with AMKFSC's beneficiaries.

Another option is to buy a kit together with a curated Sunbeams Surprise package. There are three packages available from Woods In The Books, which range from \$55 to \$80.

PRICE: \$19 a kit INFO: str.sg/JdhR

## ARTS

## BOOKS

## Singapore Literature Book Club: Trafalgar Sunrise By Danielle Lim

In this Zoom event, Danielle Lim will discuss her 2018 book, Trafalgar Sunrise, possibly the first work of fiction that intimately explores the periods of leprosy and severe acute respiratory syndrome in Singapore. Lim's first book, The Sound Of SCH: A Mental Breakdown, A Life Journey, was a co-winner of the Singapore Literature Prize 2016 (Non-fiction). Published in 2014, the memoir has been translated into Chinese and released in Taiwan.

WHERE: Register at nlb.gov.sg/golibrary2

WHEN: June 11, 8pm

## CONCERTS

## The Feng Ya Song Symphony By Singapore Chinese Orchestra

Watch the full digital concert of the Singapore premiere of Feng Ya Song Symphony by Chinese composer Zhao Jiping, along with masterpieces such as Tang Jianping's Hou Tu and Enjott Schneider's Earth And Fire performed by sheng soloist Wu Wei. The concert was recorded live at the Singapore Chinese Orchestra's concert hall in August last year.

WATCH IT AT: youtube.com

INFO: a-list.sg

## The Spirit Of Serenity: Concert Livestream

This is a recording of a concert by the Singapore Symphony Orchestra, which was livestreamed in March this year from the Victoria Concert Hall. The orchestra performed a repertoire for strings: Britten's Simple Symphony, Op. 4; Part's Cantus in memory of Benjamin Britten; and Tchaikovsky's Serenade for Strings.

WATCH IT AT: youtube.com

INFO: a-list.sg

## Ronan O'Hora Piano Recital

This recital was recorded live at the Victoria Concert Hall in May last year, which marked pianist Ronan O'Hora's Singapore International Piano Festival debut. The British pianist has played with orchestras such as the London Philharmonic, Philharmonia Orchestra and the BBC Symphony.

WATCH IT AT: facebook.com/events/219940056110070

WHEN: Tomorrow, 7.30pm

INFO: facebook.com/pg/singaporeSymphony/events

## Ding Yi Encore!: Selamat Hari Raya

The Hari Raya special, recorded at Stamford Arts Centre Black Box in

October last year, is part of a unique cross-cultural collaboration called DY-Logue, featuring Ding Yi Music Company's pipa musician Chua Yew Kok and gambus musician Azrin Abdullah. DY-Logue is a new series by the company showcasing musical dialogue between two musicians of different music backgrounds.

WATCH IT AT: facebook.com/dingyimusic

## EXHIBITIONS (MUSEUMS)

## The Mythical Origins Of Singapura

While legend has it that pre-colonial Singapore was founded by Palembang prince Sang Nila Utama, further archaeological findings have also linked the island to the Majapahit Empire in Java. In this video, connect the dots and retrace history to unravel the mythical origins of Singapura.

WATCH IT AT: youtube.com

INFO: roots.sg

## Heritage Conservation Centre Behind The Scenes

In this video, learn how our national collection is stored and cared for, and watch how a conservator and conservation scientist approach the treatment of a painting.

WATCH IT AT: youtube.com

INFO: roots.sg

## The Singapore Story Through 60 Objects

To commemorate 60 years of self-rule, this graphic spread presents 60 objects from Singapore's various national collections which, when taken together, provide a sweeping overview of the nation's story from the late first millennium, through the colonial period to the present.

INFO: roots.sg

## THEATRE

## Lost Cinema 20/20

The Studios Online presents Brian Gothong Tan's Lost Cinema 20/20, which was supposed to premiere on stage at the Esplanade in April this year. The performance, which explores dreams, films and the subconscious, premieres on Esplanade's Offstage tomorrow.

WHERE: Watch it at esplanade.com/offstage/arts/the-studios-lost-cinema-2020

WHEN: Tomorrow, 3pm - June 12

INFO: esplanade.com/offstage/arts/the-studios-online

## DANCE

## Dance Drama: The Greatest Good

This dance drama about filial piety was performed in 2018 by the

Singapore Chinese Dance Theatre and featured dance choreography with Chinese folk tales.

WATCH IT AT: youtube.com

INFO: www.a-list.sg

## OPEN CALL

## Catharsis Poetry Open Call

Participate by writing a poem centred on the theme of catharsis. The contest is open to all in Singapore. The writers of the best submissions will perform their works in August. Selected entries may also be chosen for publication.

WHEN: Submission deadline is June 28

INFO: opencallcatharsis2020.peatix.com

## OTHER ARTS EVENTS

## Boom (Rehearsed Reading)

Weaving Hokkien with English, past with present, the living with the dead, fantasy with reality, Boom is a comic yet poignant tale about collective sales and exhumations. Written by award-winning playwright Jean Tay, the livestreamed rehearsed reading will be performed by Chua Enlai, Casey Lim, Andrew Mark Ong, Rei Poh, Nora Samosir and Amanda Tee. Thong Pei Qin will direct.

WATCH IT AT: facebook.com/singaporerepertorytheatre

WHEN: Today, 8pm

INFO: srt.com.sg/show/boom