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## Singapore Arts Festival began in 1977 as a national arts festival celebrating local arts activity of Singapore

The Singapore Arts Festival began in 1977 as a national arts festival celebrating local arts activity of Singapore's diverse communities. Over the last three decades, the Festival, organised by the National Arts Council, has played a symbiotic and catalytic role in the development of the artistic and cultural life of Singapore. It has helped to transform the city's landscape, turning it into one of Asia's major cultural capitals of today.

The year 2010 will be a turning point for the arts scene in Singapore in more ways than one. The Singapore Arts Festival has embarked on a new phase of development. Key changes and initiatives are set in motion to grow the 33-year-old Festival into a Creation Festival and a People's Festival.

The Festival will have a greater focus on the creative process and perspectives of art making in Asia. It will provide a platform to showcase performances, collaborations and new works-in-progress by Singaporean and Asian artists while maintaining a global perspective. A year-long education and outreach programme, titled *com.mune*, has been introduced to sustain the Festival's engagement with the public beyond individual shows staged during the Festival period.

#### Revisit/create/imagine/mix

A new platform to showcase seminal works from Singaporean artists and arts companies, to build a consciousness of Singapore's performance heritage and history. Through these opportunities to reach new audiences, old fans can also re-experience classic works, and audiences reconnected with eminent local stagings.

## getween Tradition and contemporary

Part of the Festival's mission is to capture and create content that originates from this part of the world. Hence, the need to engage with our sense of tradition and how it can become relevant in modern times. For example, artists who are trained in a traditional art form such as Thai mask dance, are exploring new work through a contemporary frame that is based completely on classical training. This dialogue is crucial as it reflects a common experience coming out of Asia: the tension between the vernacular and the contemporary.

#### OFEN-STUDIO 共作室

A new platform to focus on individual artists and process work, OPEN-STUDIO will allow artists to engage in the creative process for a year without the pressure of presenting a full-length work on a tight deadline. It will culminate in a series of open workshops and showings during the Festival, and serve to explore the artists' future work and vocabulary. The showings can eventually move on to a full commissioning by the Singapore Arts Festival or other institutions/Festivals. Curated by Dr Robin Loon, Tang Fu Kuen and Kok Heng Leun. OPEN-STUDIO will also provide the opportunity for audiences, producers and presenters to experience young artists' creations.

#### Solo projects

Audiences will have the opportunity to experience works by artists who are not affiliated to any company in the new Festival platform, Solo Projects. Increasingly, artists are working on an individual basis, and creating work that present different perspectives and engage the audience differently. This new platform will provide audiences with an alternative to large-scale performances.

#### dance/film

The Festival will showcase a new genre, dance/film, created through the dialogue between a choreographer and a filmmaker. Dance films explore ideas and expression of movement not possible in a 'live' performance. This platform will also expand the dialogue with a 'live' performance, giving audiences multiple perspectives when approaching dance. dance/film will be curated by Yuni Hadi and daniel k.

#### Platform Campus

Over the last decade, the level of development of arts groups in our educational institutions have grown tremendously. Universities, Polytechnics, Junior Colleges, and Secondary schools now have their own arts festivals and showcase platforms. Standards of the performances have also improved by leaps and bounds. Platform Campus aims to bring their performances to core venues like The Esplanade, Victoria Theatre and Drama Centre.

## After Oark Singapore Internation

The Festival experience extends into the night, as the After Dark series heralds a variety of late night programmes held in clubs, lounges and other spaces to reach out to new Festival audiences.



This year's Festival promises to bring audiences and artists closer together through 34 premier productions from 20 countries and regions. These include new works and collaborations reaching across cultures, borders and genres. We invite you to partake in the creative energy and community bonding of the Festival.

Under the new leadership of General Manager Low Kee Hong, the Festival is embarking on a new phase of development to deepen its connection with artists, audiences and partners. Various new initiatives have been introduced into the programming, such as Between Traditional and Contemporary, OPEN-STUDIO, Solo Projects, dance/film, Re/visit/create/imagine/mix, Platform Campus and After Dark. These platforms will facilitate deeper dialogue and content creation, and provide opportunities for active interaction and provide opportunities.

There will also be new ways to enhance your experience of the Festival through *com.mune*, a new year-long series of education and outreach programmes.

Familiarise yourself with Festival shows, develop your knowledge of contemporary and traditional forms, and learn about the creative process through a series of talks, workshops, masterclasses and competitions.

The growth and development of the Singapore Arts Festival would not have been possible without the unwavering support of our audiences, sponsors, partners and the arts community. On behalf of the National Arts Council, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude and thanks to all of you.

I wish you an engaging experience at the Festival!

Edmund Cheng Chairman National Arts council 2

Between you and me, I'd like to share with you this personal journey with the Singapore Arts Festival. From this year, we embark on a process of new ways of seeing, touching and feeling through a series of new platforms that return to the heart of the matter: art, artists and audiences. Hence, You are very important in this journey. The Singapore Arts Festival will only make sense because You are part of it.

This year, we begin this process with a Festival that is curated with the thematic thread *Between You and Me*. Through an intimate look at how artists collaborate and make work with each other, to the range of interactivity between audiences and performances, to a deeper encouragement of Festival goers in moving beyond passive consumption to a more active participation in the Festival, the programmes speak of this special relationship that you can have with art.

The Festival opens with a magical fire garden installation by Compagnie Carabosse that features more than 7,000 fire pots burning for three hours at the Empress Place Precinct. We invite you to create a dreamscape as you encounter strange yet familiar burning structures, sounds and sights in this spectacular wonderland that also features the recorded voices of 200 Singaporeans as they reflect on the meaning of life.

The program continues in the opening week with a visual and aural treat of over 40 Indian Muslim gypsy musicians stacked up high in 36 red-curtained cubicles on the Esplanade Theatre stage. You of course will be invited to join them during the show in creating hypnotic rhythms that slowly seduce all into a wonderful state of trance.

A range of powerful collaborations take centre stage through the weeks with the likes of Sylvie Guillem/Robert Lepage/Russell Maliphant in the elegant Eonnagata featuring costumes by the late Alexander McQueen, Cloud Gate Dance Theatre of Taiwan with premier Chinese visual artist Cai Guo-Qiang in Wind Shadow, The Academy of St. Martin in the Fields with "the most celebrated American-born violinist of the modern era" Joshua Bell, Singaporean contemporary composer Joyce Beetuan Koh with visual artist Khiew where a series of stringed installations will be "excited" to create a fantastic musical score about string theory in On the String.

A first for the Festival is a series that revisits Singaporean iconic productions that speak of our artistic heritage and place. This inaugural year, we start with two seminal theatre productions: Those Who Can't, Teach by The Necessary Stage, first staged 20 years ago for the opening of The Substation and Stella Kon's Emily of Emerald Hill featuring the enigmatic Margaret Chan at the Victoria Theatre stage, the final production that will close the Victoria Theatre for a three-year transformation.

There are also a number of unusual productions that will explode the usual way we engage with a performance. From Rimini Protokoll comes a site specific journey on a converted truck in which only 44 audience members are allowed each time. Cargo Kuala Lumpur – Singapore is a rigorous exercise in post-dramatics that is at once personal yet amusing as you become tourists in the hidden tributaries of Singapore. Gatz by Elevator Repair Service is a 6-hour verbatim reading of Fitzgerald's The Great Gatsby set in a mundane office but played with such virtuosic energy and pace that you hardly notice the time.

The Festival is also committed to investigating the relationship between tradition and contemporary and as a start, we will premier the work of Thai Khon mask dancer Pichet Klunchun in a compelling production Nijinsky Siam, almost a séance as he invokes the presence of Nijinsky to have a conversation in dance. On the music front, producer, songwriter, orchestral composer, DJ and cultural pioneer Nitin Sawhney will present an Acoustic Evening at the Esplanade Concert Hall and a club set called Sound System at supperclub, both featuring classical Indian musicians.

At the close of the Festival, we celebrate the joyous energy of line dancers at the Marina Bay Precinct. Of late, and perhaps kismet, I have been encountering our senior line dancers, from the community centre field near my former HDB apartment, to the shopping mall atrium near my office. I am truly inspired by the energy and joy they bring to the floor and just between you and me, I think it is time the Festival partakes in some of that. So come join us on 13 June 2010 at the *Mega Line Dance* event for a little two step, cha cha cha and some thigh slappin' country and who knows, we might just make it to the Guinness Book of World Records!

This is only a taste of things to come. I extend this personal invitation to come help us build the Singapore Arts Festival that is truly Your Festival. The journey has only just begun and between you and me, it is going to be one exhilarating ride. I can only be so lucky to be part of this.

Will you come join me?

Low Kee Hong General Manager Singapore Arts Festival

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## INVITATION TO DREAM -AFTRE GARDEN INSTALLATION

The Singapore Arts Festival 2010 is all set to spark your imagination with an opening act that transforms the historic expanse of Esplanade Park and Empress Place Precinct into a glowing wonderland.

Combining street art with creative fire display, internationally renowned French fire alchemist, Compagnie Carabosse recreates the urban landscape of the historic district, embellishing it with towering sculptures of metal, clay pots, fire curtains, blazing garlands and intricate patterns of flame. For three

Compagnie Carabosse (France) 14 – 16 May

Empress Place Precinct (Victoria Theatre & Asian Civilisations Museum Outdoors) and Esplanade Park, 7.30 – 10.30pm
Free

nights, the fire installation will light up the historic expanse of Empress Place Precinct and the Esplanade Park with an enchanting glow, carving out intimate spaces of warmth.

Accompanied by a haunting soundscape featuring renowned Asian musicians Andrew Lum and New Asia, *Invitation to Dream* promises to immerse all visitors in a breathtaking, yet tranquil experience that's simply out of this world.

#### THE EMPRESS PLACE, TRANSFORMED

Within the familiar grounds of Singapore's heritage trail, two captivating 'Méli Mélo' — tall metal rings resembling Ferris Wheels carrying firepots — slowly spin within each other, casting a hypnotic effect on the eyes.

A short walk away is another sensational sight: a 'forest' of glowing sleeveless vests seemingly suspended in mid-air, interspaced with flaming charcoal balls. At the 'atmospheric ground', one is surrounded by firepots and strategically placed radios broadcasting over 200 multilingual responses to the question, 'What is life?'

#### THE ENCHANTING ESPLANADE PARK

Relaxing swings, hanging garlands of firepots and huge 'fairy fireballs' – metallic spherical frames studded with firepots – beckon visitors at the Esplanade

Park. A starry ceiling of fiery bulbs lines pathways, with surreal sounds from overhead radios for soothing company. Tall fire stovepipes stand guard in one alley, gently billowing fire and smoke from their tops like a forest of glowing gothic candles. The pyrotechnic wizardry of Carabosse will light up a side of the Esplanade Park that has never been seen. Catch a glimpse of her hidden façade, and be spellbound.

Road Closure: Connaught Drive and Empress Place 14 – 16 May 6 – 11.30pm

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Re/Visit/create/imagine/mix

The Necessary Stage (Singapore)
19 - 21 May, Drama Centre Theatre
3pm & 8pm
100mins (with intermission)
\$30, \$15 (3pm shows, for school bookings only)
\$50, \$40, \$30, \$20 (8pm shows)

Those Who Can't, Teach is a classic of The Necessary Stage, first staged in 1990 as part of the Opening of The Substation.

20 years later, the original creative team of director Alvin Tan and playwright Haresh Sharma, will revisit, revive and revamp the play into a contemporary classic.

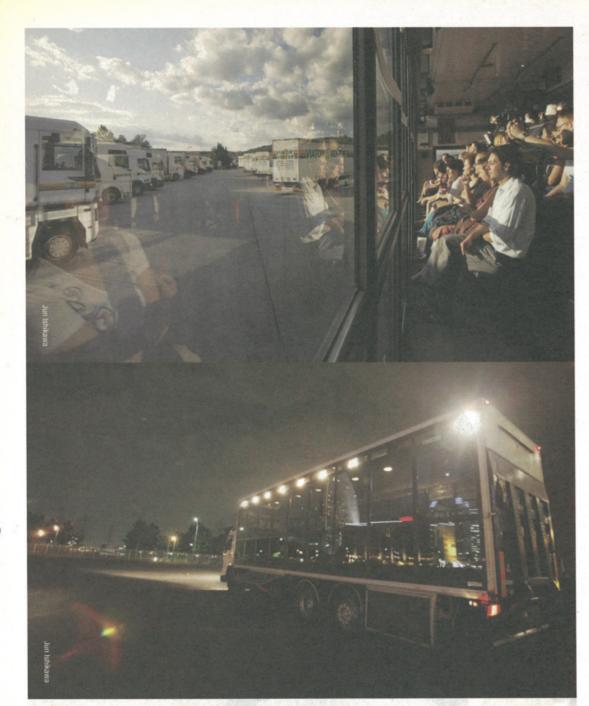
Set in the backdrop of a secondary school, the play looks at the madcap lives of teachers and students, with often hilarious results.

As the teachers struggle daily to 'nurture and groom', the students prefer to hang out and *chillax*. In the meantime, they all have to deal with the dreaded 'parents'.

With upskirting and facebooking, teaching and politicking, school has never been the same. Join the colourful cast of characters as they struggle to prove that Those Who CAN, Teach.

Featuring an ensemble cast including Neo Swee Lin, Rodney Oliveiro, Siti Khalijah, lan Tan and Najib Soiman. With original music by Philip Tan and set design by Vincent Lim.

Post-show dialogue after every matinee, and on 19 May evening.





the audience come up against the Scaffolding of their comfortable quality of life to an intimate degree that no book, magazine report or even film documentary can offer in the Irish Times,

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Kuala Lumpur
Singapore

No late admission and breaks allowed

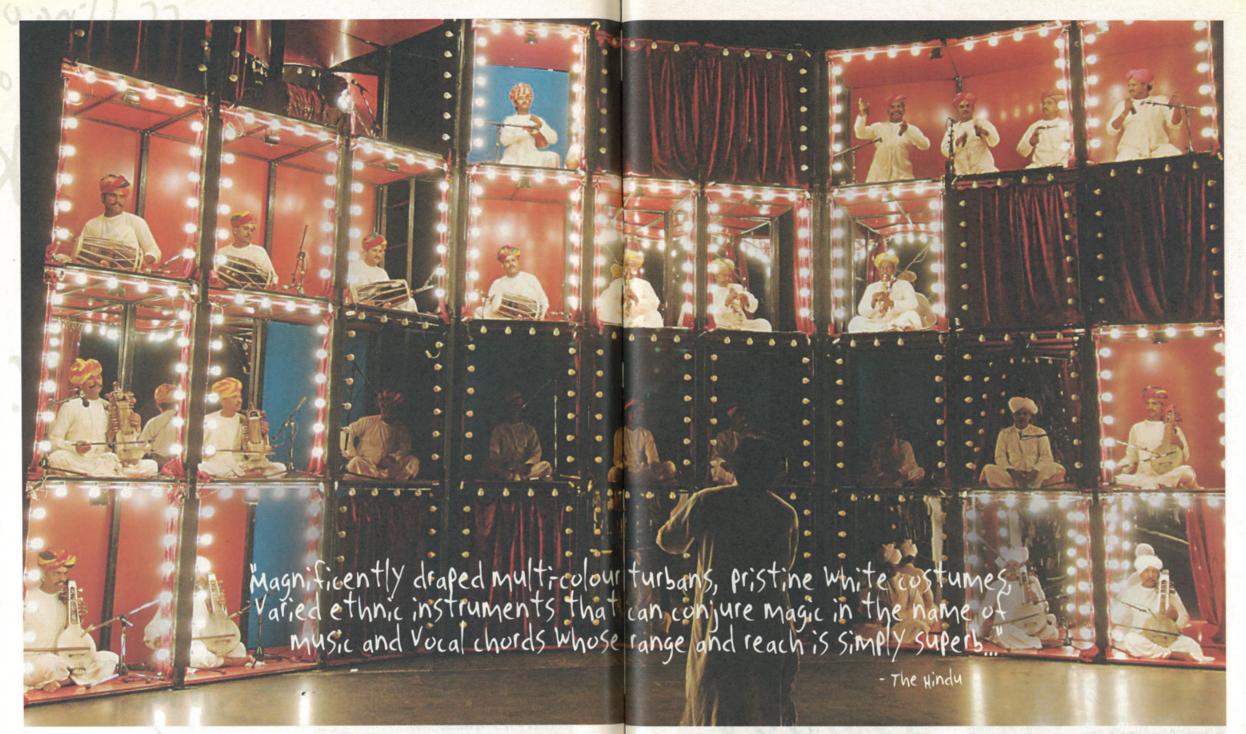
Cargo Kuala Lumpur - Singapore is a site-specific performance by the Swiss-German theatre collective Rimini Protokoll. As makers of a theatre that observes and analyses contemporary society, they prefer working with 'real people' instead of actors to investigate little-known and much ignored aspects of their work and lives.

In a specially converted truck, the audience is placed where freight used to once sit. In the cabin are two Malaysian truck drivers taking the audience on a simulated journey from Kuala Lumpur to Singapore.

As the truck starts to drive through lesser known streets of Singapore, their stories and music will synchronise with gas stations, truck parking areas, shipping companies and motorways in a trip that feels like a 3D-road movie experience.

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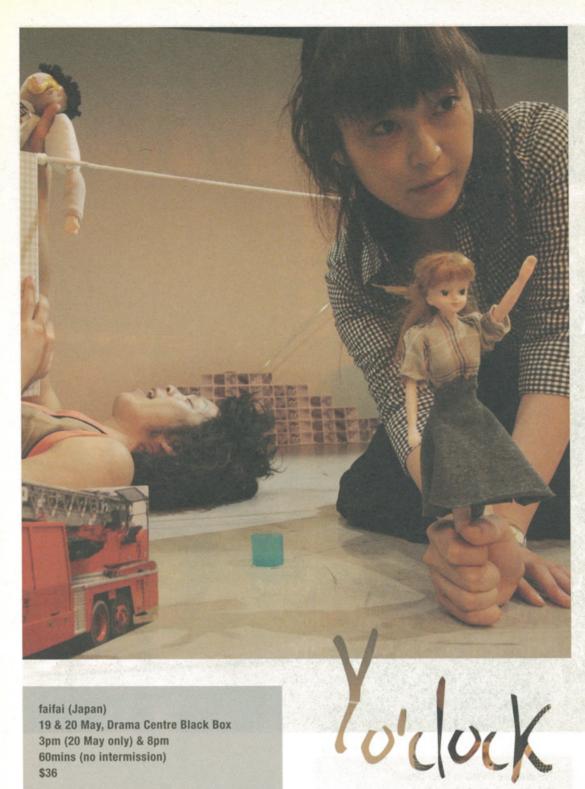
Directed by Roysten Abel (India) 19 – 21 May, Esplanade Theatre 8pm, 70mins (no intermission) \$80, \$60, \$45, \$35, \$20

The Manganiyar Seduction is a compelling feast for the eyes, ears and the spirit. In this colourful, uplifting and sensory show, acclaimed Indian theatre director Roysten Abel brings together the Manganiyar musicians from the deserts of Rajasthan and frames their music theatrically in a truly magical setting. The intellect is put to rest for more than an hour, thereby allowing the soul a total experience of intoxication with over 40 musicians who are revealed one by one from the 36 red-curtained cubicles arranged in four horizontal rows one on top of the other. Be seduced as they weave

together their deeply rooted and complex history in a rousing array of choreography, song and rhythm, building to a breathtaking and memorable climax.

The Manganiyar Seduction was first created for the Osian Film Festival in 2006 at New Delhi and has since had successful tours in Europe and Australia. This is the group's first showing in Asia outside India.

Post-show dialogue after every performance.



Did you enjoy playacting with toy robots or dolls when you were young? Y o'clock explores the curious phenomenon of playacting and its direct relationship to the societal issues affecting modern families.

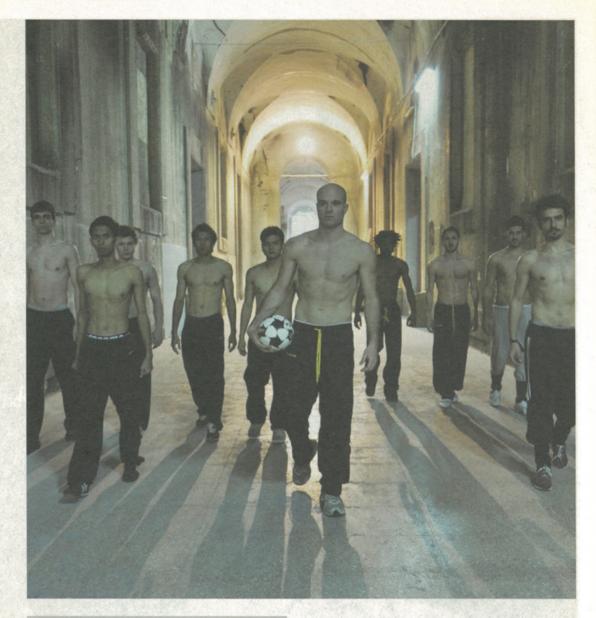
Presented by faifai, a sprightly contemporary theatre collective from Japan with a refreshing perspective on storytelling and theatre-making, Y o'clock is set in an after-school daycare centre, and was widely acclaimed when it premiered in 2007. The performers comprise members from vastly different backgrounds – including cosplayers, designers, cooks and figure creators, who attempt to replicate the world seen through the eyes of children.

Sensitively crafted to address the rampant problems of alienation, estrangement and isolation in today's society, *Y o'clock* will reintroduce you to the world long forgotten by adults, but lovingly embraced by children every day. A world where the strong never preys on the weak; where children make up their own rules without the need to conform to adults' expectations.

Performed in Japanese with English surtitles.

Audiences are welcome to play and interact with the tional show's whimsical set after the performance.

Post-show dialogue after every performance.



By Haris Pašović.
Co-produced by Singapore Arts Festival,
East West Theater Company Sarajevo and
Napoli Teatro Festival Italia.
In partnership with Les Ballets C de la B,
Belgium and in association with Flota
Institute, Slovenia (Singapore/Bosnia &
Herzegovina/Italy/Belgium)
20 & 21 May, Victoria Theatre
8pm, 90mins (no intermission)
\$50, \$40, \$30, \$20

There is a ball. There is a green pitch, or a part of the street, or a beach, or a park. There are the running legs. Fierce minds. Fast-beating hearts. Dreams. Memories. Histories. Fights. Celebrations. There are the disappointments. Failures. Tears. Anger. Cursing.

There are the loyalties. Friendships. There are the betrayals. Sorrow. There is forgiveness and there is re-union. Our football, our lives.

The show explores through dance, theatre, video, music and technology the art of football, the Beautiful Game. The strict rules meet chaos; geometry meets

FOOTBALL!

the wildly free movements in this simple game. What many humans describe as divine is — at the same time — the most accessible practice in the world.

An international cast and Singaporean creative team make a high-pitched artistic team of this vigorous, profound and entertaining production. A surprise guest on stage makes it even more exciting.

Performed in English, Italian and Bosnian with English surtitles.





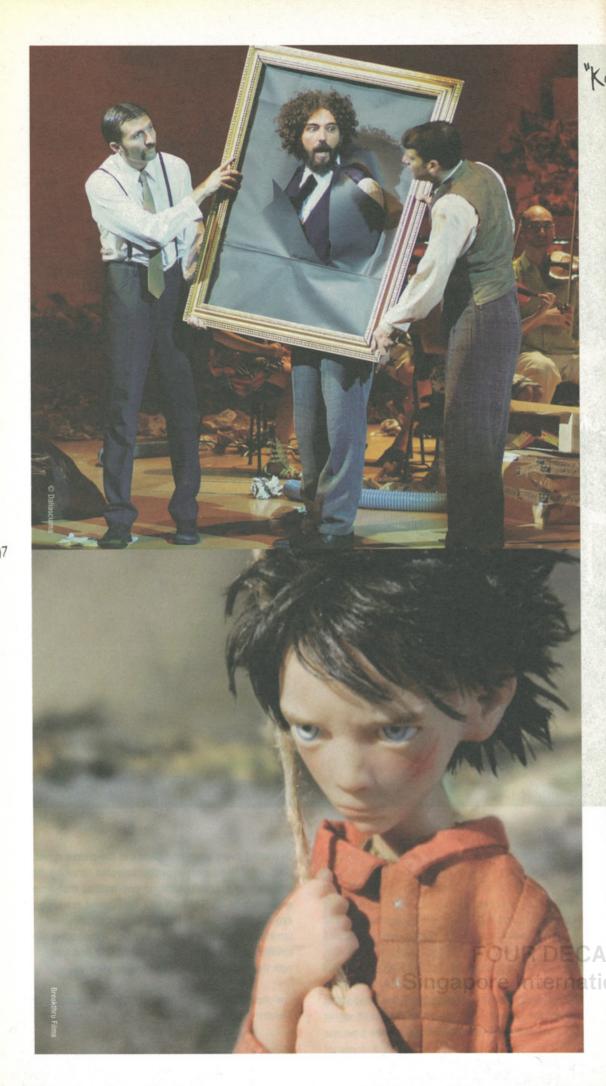
**Elevator Repair Service (USA)** 21 - 23 May, Esplanade Theatre Studio (with dinner break & 2 intermissions dinner not provided)

Unlike traditional adaptations of The Great Gatsby, F. Scott Fitzgerald's classic novel, Gatz is staged around a verbatim reading of the entire book - wordfor-word. A theatrical tour de force, Gatz is a 6-hour

long performance with a cast of 13. Set in a crummy office, the story begins when an employee, Nick (Scott Shepherd) starts reading the book aloud at his desk... and can't stop. His colleagues hardly seem to notice at first. Then, with a bewildering chain of odd coincidences and visual puns, they are drawn FOUR DECADES Exinto the world of Fitzgerald's novel. One by one, they join Shepherd, acting out the drama and Singapore International Fesspeaking dialogue straight from the book. Shepherd's amazing feat of narrating helms the 6-hour long show, tracing the novel's progression at first with comic awkwardness and finally with virtuosic ease.

Savouring every word and phrase of the classic novel, Gatz creates its own hypnotic universe, drawing its audience in gradually until no one notices that time is passing at all. Through this daring and rewarding experiment, Elevator Repair Service has given a familiar story a whole new dimension - balancing the novel's heavy themes of obsession, lust and tragedy with theatricality, humour and joie de vivre.

Pre-show talk on 23 May at 12pm in Esplanade Theatre Studio.



"kam chatka touched many people with their humanity and warmth.

"kam chatka touched many people with their own stories of how So many people have told me their own stories of how they cried or laughed or felt rested.

Thave so much respect for kamchatka!"

Sian Thomas

(artistic director of the festival), Hat Fair

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Festival Orchestra (Spain/Singapore)
21 & 22 May, Esplanade Concert Hall
7.30pm, 120mins (no intermission)
\$80, \$60, \$45, \$35, \$20

This double-bill concert will entertain kids, teens and entire families with a smorgasbord of classical music, theatrical animation and acts of skill and strength. Featuring the combined talents of acclaimed Kamchàtka Theatre Company and the Singapore Festival Orchestra, *The Carnival of The Animals* and *Peter & The Wolf* will enthrall families with a delightful evening of wholesome entertainment.

The Esplanade Concert Hall will be magically transformed into the wild! Accompanying the Kamchatka Theatre Company's marvellous mix of juggling and acrobatics will be the Singapore Festival Orchestra's rendition of Camille Saint-Saens' renowned musical suite, *The Carnival of The Animals*. Led by Director Adrian Schvarzstein, the Kamchatka Theatre Company is a young multi-disciplinary collective from Spain whose work has been acclaimed at numerous festivals.

The Singapore Festival Orchestra continues to provide live music accompaniment to the amazing animated film version of Sergei Prokofiev's *Peter & The Wolf*, directed by Suzie Templeton and produced by Breakthru Films, which won an Oscar in 2008 for the category of Best Short Film (Animated).

Delightful from start to finish, *The Carnival of The Animals* and *Peter & The Wolf* will entertain children and adults alike with its universal themes of innocence, courage and humour. This concert is conducted by Virginia Martinez and directed by Adrian Schvarzstein.

Supported by: Embassy of the Kingdom of Spain

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Cloud Gate Dance Theatre of Taiwan (Taiwan) 云门舞集
25 & 26 May, Esplanade Theatre
8pm, 80mins (no intermission)
\$120, \$100, \$70, \$40, \$20

A stunning dance performance staged by one of Asia's top contemporary dance companies Cloud Gate Dance Theatre of Taiwan, *Wind Shadow* is a groundbreaking collaboration between revered choreographer Lin Hwai-Min and internationally renowned Chinese visual artist Cai Guo-Qiang.

An experimental fusion of installation art and dance, Wind Shadow carries you to a world of changing shadows where dancers take turns playing humans as well as their shadows. Wind Shadow is meticulously conceived to replicate natural wind movements such as launching kites and fluttering angelic wings. Displaying total submission to the theme, performers dance with an ephemeral lightness, seemingly controlled by the wind and fluidly blending with the 'shadows'.

Cai's stunning gunpowder drawings and artworks of explosions are projected via video through fluttering flags, forming a contrasting backdrop for the dancers as they turn into wandering 'shadows'. Against a haunting soundtrack, the landscape changes abruptly into an apocalyptic showdown with sulphur-lit smoke, fire, black 'snowflakes' and even a black rainbow. In a scene evocative of a nuclear holocaust, a 'Black Hole' forms on stage, engulfing the dancers in a tunnel of darkness.

Post-show dialogue after every performance.



Peter Brook/Théâtre des Bouffes du Nord, Paris 26 - 28 May, Drama Centre Theatre 8pm, 90mins (no intermission) \$70, \$60, \$40, \$30

Directed by Peter Brook, this new play, which comes to Singapore as part of an international tour, explores an extraordinary conflict in West Africa under French occupation. It shows how a dispute over whether a certain prayer should be recited 11 or 12 times leads inexorably to hatred and massacres. The question of violence and the true place of tolerance make this epic story more relevant than ever today.

11 and 12 is based on Brook's play Tierno Bokar which was adapted by Marie-Hélène Estienne and critically acclaimed during its run in Warwick (UK) in 2005 where it was performed in French. This new production will be performed in English by an international cast.

Peter Brook's illustrious works span the field of theatre, film and opera, having directed over 70 productions in London, Paris and New York. In 1971, he founded the International Centre for Theatre Research in Paris with Micheline Rozan and in 1974, opened its permanent base in the Bouffes du Nord Theatre. There, under the new name of the International Centre for Theatre Creations he directed around 30 plays, including The Mahabharata, Conference of the Birds, The Cherry Orchard, The Tempest, The Man Who, Le Costume, Happy Days, The Tragedy of Hamlet, Le Grand Inquisiteur and Love is my sin. His opera accomplishments include Faust and Eugene Onegin at the Metropolitan Opera House, New York; La Tragédie de Carmen and Impressions of Pelleas at the Bouffes du Nord, Paris; and Don Giovanni for the Aix en Provence Festival. The prolific director also has several films to his credit: Lord of the Flies, Marat/Sade, King Lear, Moderato Cantabile and Meetings with Remarkable Men.

Post-show dialogue on 27 May only.

Adapted from the work of Amadou Hampaté Bâ by Marie-Hélène Estienne

Directed by: Peter Brook Music by: Toshi Tsuchitori Lighting design: Philippe Vialatte Costumes: Hélène Patarot

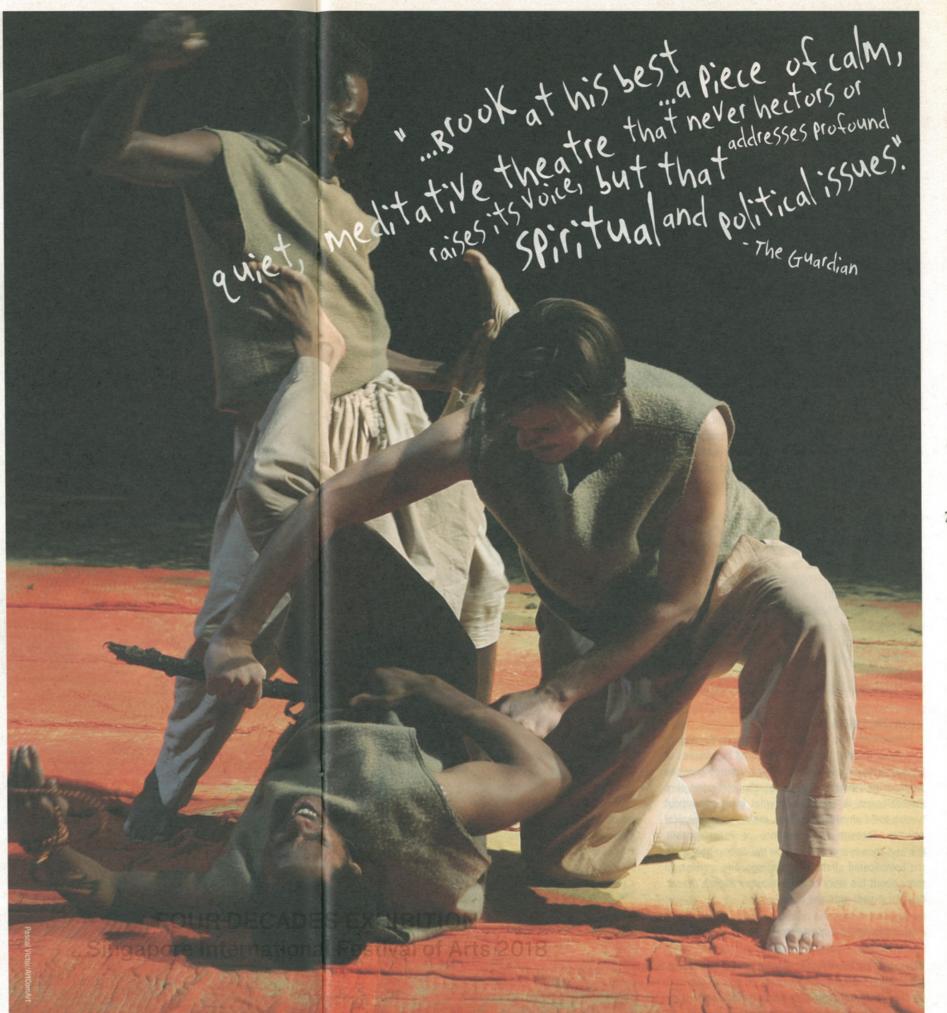
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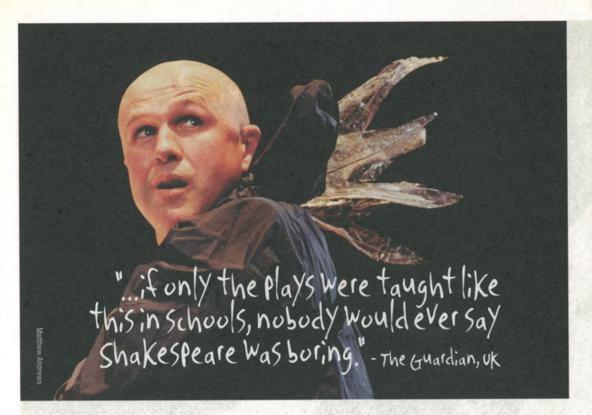
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Company Manager: Arthur Franc

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Ever since Tim Crouch, renowned playwright, performer and storyteller, decided to retell Shakespeare's plays through the eyes of minor yet highly opinionated characters, he has enraptured audiences of children as well as adults.

## I, PEASEBLOSSOM I, MALVOLTO

Tim Crouch (UK) 25 - 27 May, NAFA Studio Theatre Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (Campus 3) 10am & 2pm 50mins (no intermission)

#### I. PEASEBLOSSOM

I, Peaseblossom is the story of A Midsummer Night's Dream as re-lived through the fevered nightmares of Shakespeare's most neglected fairy. Uttering only one word in the whole of Shakespeare's celebrated play, Peaseblossom is able to see what goes on without having to be physically present, thanks to his magical abilities. Through the innocence of Peaseblossom, the audience is invited to share his discoveries about the complicated affairs of grown-ups, and understand more about the story of A Midsummer Night's Dream. Best for 6-year-olds and above.

Post-show dialogue after every performance.

## Tim (rouch

Tim Crouch (UK) 25 - 29 May, NAFA Studio Theatre Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (Campus 3) 3pm (on 29 May) & 8pm 60mins (no intermission) \$25

#### I, MALVOLIO

I, Malvolio is the story of Twelfth Night told through the eyes of Shakespeare's most pent-up steward. Replete with yellow stockings, it is a charged, hilarious and often unsettling rant from a man who was "notoriously wronged". A story of lost dignity, prudery, practical jokes and bullying, Malvolio draws his audience into the madness of Shakespeare's play and makes it his own. Best for 12-year-olds and above.

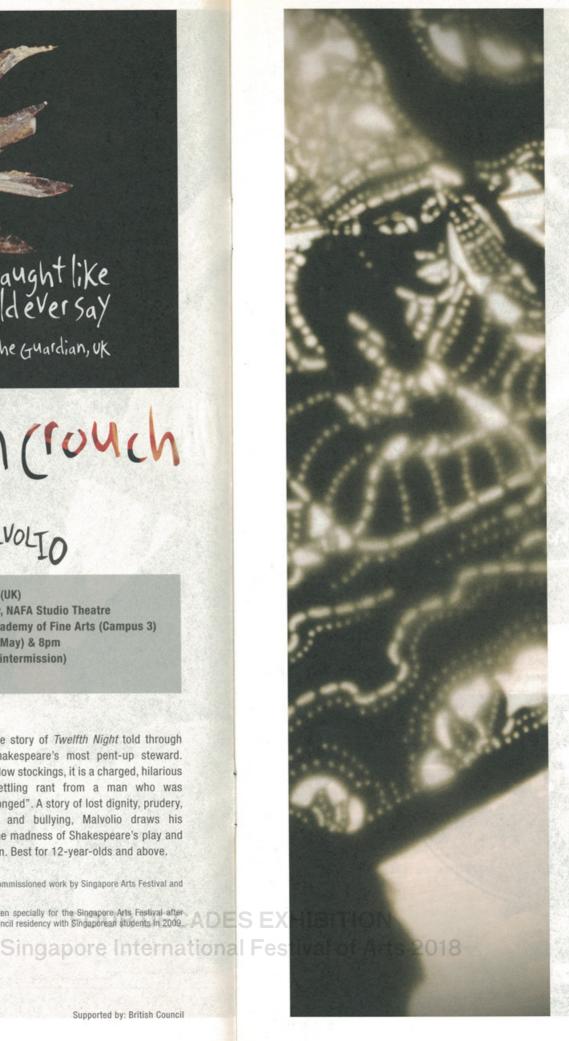
I, Malvolio is a co-commissioned work by Singapore Arts Festival and

I, Malvolio was written specially for the Singapore Arts Festival after Tim led a British Council residency with Singaporean students in 2009.

#### Workshop by Tim Crouch: Playwrighting for Young People

A hands-on workshop for teachers on how to playwrite for young people. 28 May, 2 - 5pm, Esplanade Room (MICA Building, 140 Hill Street), \$15 Register with nac\_artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sg.

Supported by: British Council





Pichet Klunchun Dance Company (Thailand) 26 & 27 May, Victoria Theatre 8pm, 60mins (no intermission) \$50, \$40, \$30, \$20

Vaslav Nijinsky, the dance maverick of the legendary Ballet Russes, performed Danse Siamoise in the Paris Opera. Exactly 100 years later, Pichet Klunchun, the celebrated Thai dancer, will incarnate Danse Siamoise.

Through careful research, Pichet will reconstruct the poses and movement from archival photographs of Nijinsky. His version will feature the original score of Danse Orientale by composer Christian Sinding, first conducted by Stravinsky.

It will also reprise the 1900 sound recording of the first Thai classical company which toured Europe and deeply impressed many artists, including Diaghlev who founded the Ballet Russes.

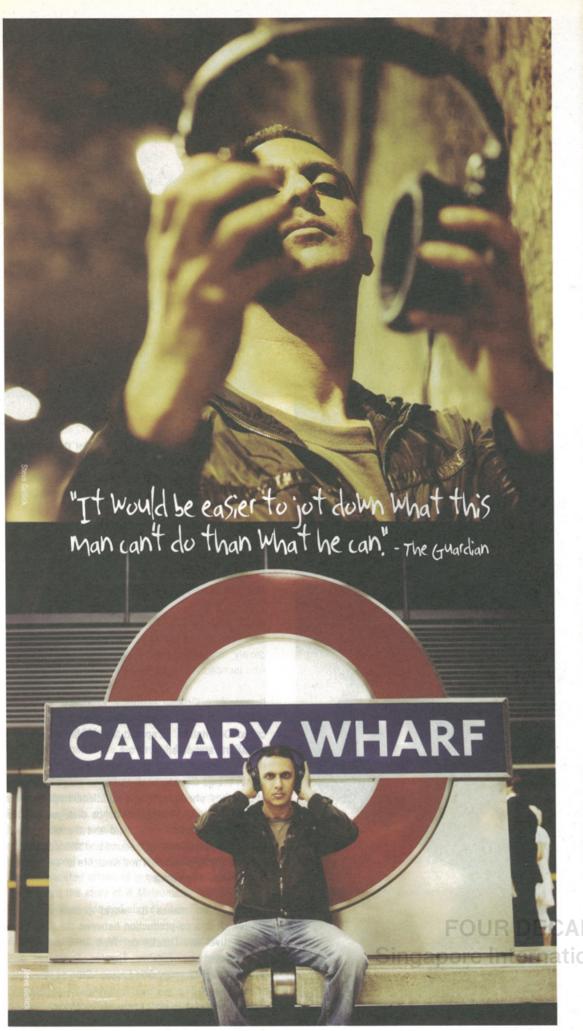
It was thus through historical encounter with Thai classical art forms that stimulated the art movement called 'Orientalism' to spread fashionably across film, visual arts and other art forms.

Pichet brings Nijinsky back to life on stage by means of paintings, photographs and traditional huge puppets called 'nang yai'. A sensitive dance dialogue unfolds between both artists, one dead and the other alive. Between shadow and light, sound and silence, and the magical gap between East and West, life is re-imagined and its vitality celebrated.

Nijinsky Siam makes its world premiere at the Festival. It is a co-production between the Singapore Arts Festival and Theater der Welt 2010 and is also co-presented by Zürcher Theater Spektakel and Noorderzon Performing Arts Festival Groningen.

Post-show dialogue after every performance.





## Acoustic Evening getween Tradition and contemporary Sounce

Nitin Sawhney (UK) 28 May, Esplanade Concert Hall 7.30pm, 80mins (no intermission) \$80, \$60, \$45, \$35, \$20

Get set for an elegant evening of soulful sounds with music virtuoso Nitin Sawhney, who makes his festival debut with a delectable Acoustic Evening programme. A world-class producer, songwriter, DJ, multi-instrumentalist, orchestral composer, flamenco guitarist and classical/jazz pianist and cultural pioneer, Sawhney's music has graced the diverse realms of music, film, videogames, dance, and theatre. The multi-talented Sawhney has received no less than 17 major national awards and has collaborated with a multitude of artists over the years, including Sting, Natacha Atlas, Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan, Jeff Beck and Julian Lloyd Webber. His appointment as a judge for the prestigious BAFTA, BIFA and The Ivor Novello Awards pays testament to his firm standing as one of the leading figures in music, theatre and film.

In addition to his eight critically acclaimed studio albums (including the latest London Undersound featuring Paul McCartney, Anoushka Shankar, Natty, Imogen Heap amongst many others), his recent work include orchestral scores for Mira Nair's The Namesake as well as the hit Playstation 3 game Heavenly Sword.

Post-show dialogue after performance.

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After park

Nitin Sawhney (UK) 29 May, supperclub 10.30pm, 90mins \$35 (includes 2 drinks) Club rules apply Entry for 18 years old & above

Nitin Sawhney, top composer for film, dance and theatre, will play infectious sounds from Asian Breakbeat and drum 'n' bass to dubstep and soundscapes imbued with his inimitable style.

Accompanied by the raw talents of band members Ashwin Srinivasan, Aref Durvesh and Tina Grace, Sawhney infuses the mix with a musical fusion inspired by flamenco, Indian classical music, Brazilian Samba

Having spun at clubs the world over, Sawhney has not only worked with some of the world's leading orchestras, he has won countless awards for his albums. Armed with his repertoire of musical gadgets and virtuoso band members, Sawhney will keep the floor jivin' with his infectious and hardcore energy.

Clubbers, rejoice!



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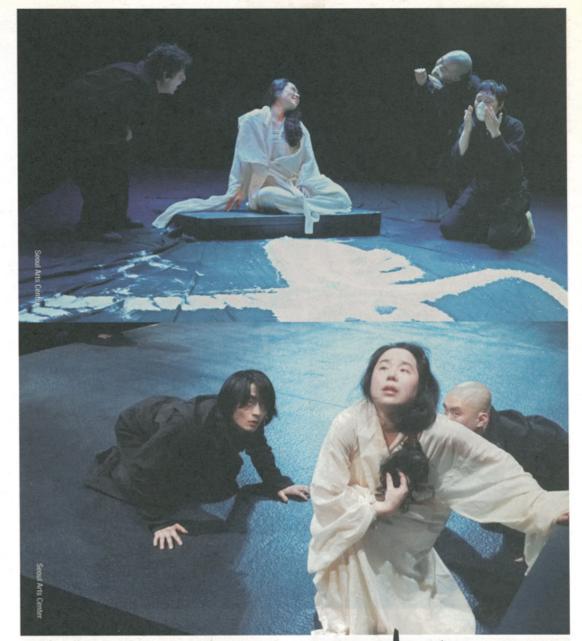
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T.H.E Dance Company (Singapore) Choreographed and directed by Kuik Swee Boon 29 May, Victoria Theatre 3pm (Open Rehearsal) & 8pm 70mins (no intermission) \$12 (for 3pm Open Rehearsal) \$50, \$40, \$30, \$20 (for 8pm show)

A new interpretation of Old Sounds 2008, T.H.E Dance Company's first full-length work commissioned by the National Heritage Board, O Sounds is a seamless union of multimedia and modern dance, drawing fresh inspiration from things of old.

An eclectic amalgamation of city sounds, local dialects, folk-songs, chants, rundown buildings and modern dance, O Sounds interprets the loss of traditions and the impact of never-ending environmental changes through multimedia magic, integrating videography with live, fluid dance. With music by Darren Ng, choreographer Kuik Swee Boon seamlessly fuses two distinct art forms elegantly, meshing movement with multimedia.

Set against a soundscape that features vernacular speech and folk songs, O Sounds will offer fresh new developments as well as a makeover of the multimedia and dance of the original.



Theatre Moollee (Korea) 29 & 30 May, Esplanade Theatre 8pm, 80mins (no intermission) \$50, \$36 Show contains mature themes

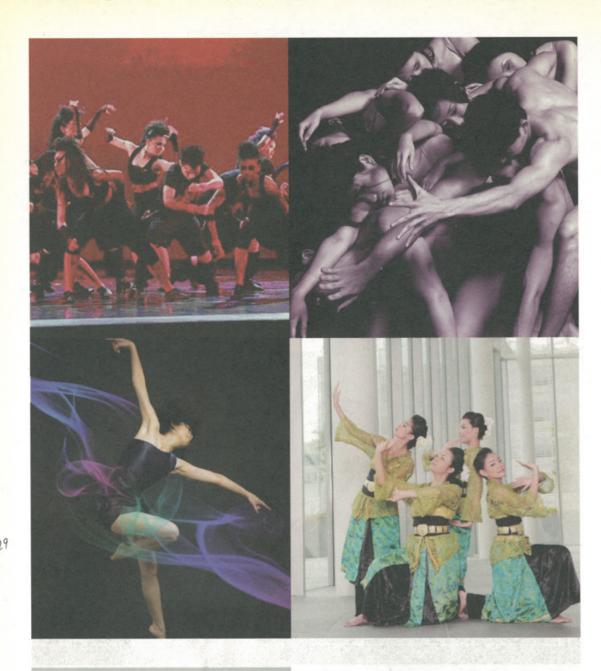
Lady Macbeth is a thorough rewriting of Shakespeare's written tragedy, Macbeth, as seen through the eyes of Korean playwright and director Tae-sook Han. Han's adaptation of Macbeth won the plaudits of the critics for successfully fusing the western perspectives in Shakespeare's Macbeth with traditional shamanistic views, which are present even today in modern Korea.

By combining movement, text, object manipulation and live Korean percussion music, Han creatively Singapore International Festerimagines the torment of a woman who has driven her husband to murder. Han's Lady Macbeth is a powerful piece of theatre that injects distinctly Korean stylistics without discounting the essence of Shakespeare's play, which is the tragic manifestation of corruption in Man.

Experience this powerful performance up close and personal, as audiences are seated onstage at the Esplanade Theatre – a first in the history of the arts centre. Founded in 1997 by Han, Theatre Moollee is a leading experimental theatre company dedicated to exploring the boundary between universal truth and Korean ethics.

Performed in Korean with English surtitles.

Post-show dialogue after every performance.



ITE College East,
National University of Singapore,
Republic Polytechnic,
Singapore Management University
3 & 4 June, Victoria Theatre
8pm (approximately 75mins)
\$12,\$8

A new Singapore Arts Festival initiative, Platform Campus seeks to showcase the best of campus talents in the local educational institutions. Platform Campus will provide Festival audience a peek into what's brewing in the backyard of these institutions, thereby also allowing practitioners to spot potential bright sparks in the Singapore performing arts scene.

In line with the Festival's *Between You and Me* thematic thread, *Platform Campus 2010* will feature student dancers from NUS Dance Ensemble (a member of NUS Centre For the Arts), SMU InDanCity, Republic Polytechnic Tarian and Fresh Elements, ITE College East Street Jazz Club performing new works from their

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resident choreographers such as Zaini Tahir, Celeste Theunissen, Fathurrahman Bin Said and Dan Kwoh. Selected dancers from these institutions will also perform a piece choreographed by T.H.E Dance Company's Lee Mun Wai, an emerging choreographer mentored by T.H.E's artistic director, Kuik Swee Boon.

Platform Campus 2010 also seeks to lay the foundation ADES Exports for more conversations to take place across institutions as the Festival plays the role of a facilitator, bringing tional Fest student arts enthusiasts and practitioners together to converse, exchange and create.



Joyce Beetuan Koh (Singapore)
4 & 5 June, Esplanade Theatre Studio
3pm (5 June only) & 8pm
50mins (no intermission)
\$36, \$28 (for 3pm show)

On the String is a performance about String Theory, a speculative theory of space, matter, energy and time, based on tiny one-dimensional vibrating entities. What if we could hear the sounds of elementary particles? Or the sonic texture created by various vibration patterns of a string curving space? Or the harmonic colour sparked by string interaction?

Conceived and directed by composer, Joyce Beetuan Koh, this multi-disciplinary performance is an artistic, performable and interactive environment (computational model-system), using strings of acoustic instruments of pipa and harpsichord, and a variety of strings (made of steel, titanium, copper) which form an oversized string sculpture, combined with dynamic intervention by musicians to metaphorically musicalise certain aspects of String Theory.

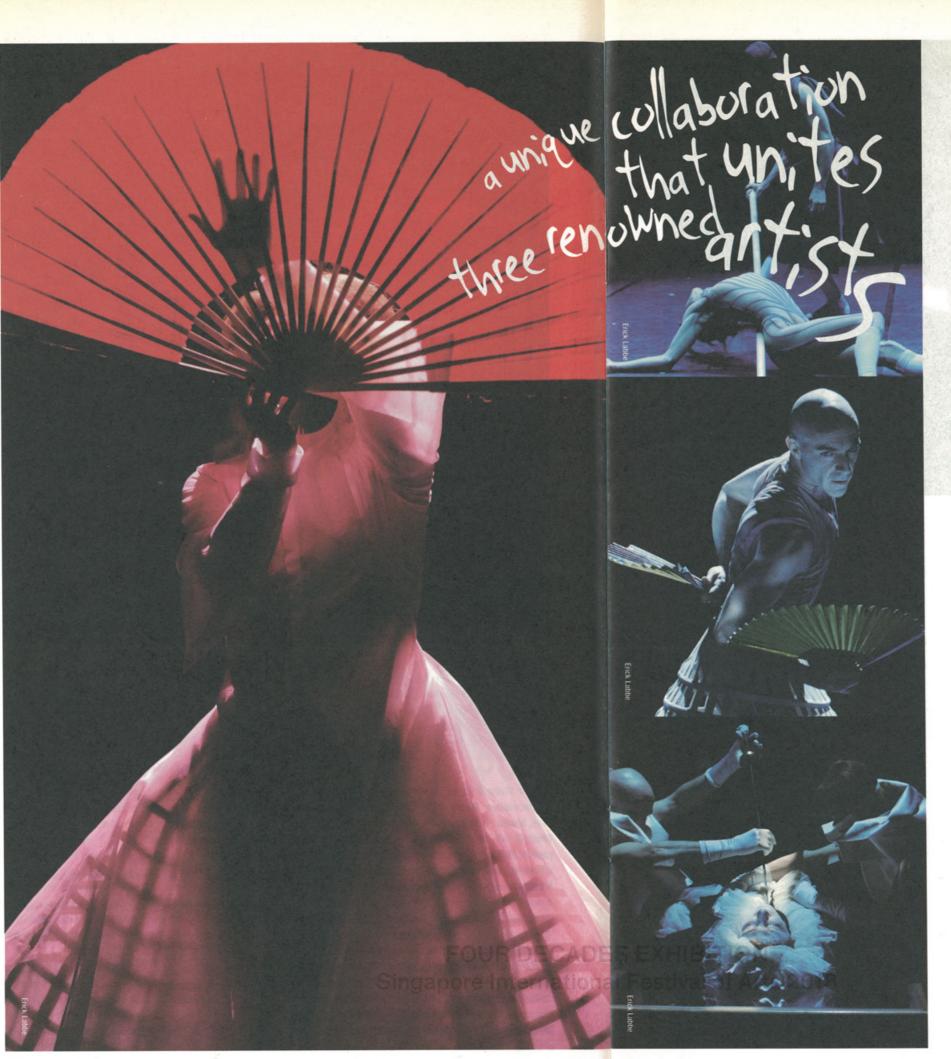
This theatre of music will provoke conversations between science and arts, fascinate minds who are curious about the integration of music and visual arts, movements and theatre.

Post-show dialogue after every performance.

Concept, Direction and Composition: Joyce Beetuan Koh (Singapore)
Sound Art and Interaction Design: PerMagnus Lindborg (Sweden)
Sound Art and Virtual Instrument Design: Dirk Stromberg (United States)
Sculpture-Installation: Khiew Huey Chian (Singapore)
Light Design: Lim Woan Wen (Singapore)

Musicians: pipa — Samuel Wong (Singapore), harpsichord — Shane Thio (Singapore), and 20 string players





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Sylvie Guillem/Robert Lepage/ Russell Maliphant (France/Canada/UK) 4 & 5 June, Esplanade Theatre 8pm, 90mins (no intermission) \$120, \$100, \$70, \$40, \$20

Conceived and performed by the combined talents of internationally acclaimed dancer Sylvie Guillem, theatrical wizard Robert Lepage and award-winning choreographer Russell Maliphant, Eonnagata is a unique collaboration that unites three renowned artists on a shared path to dance theatre excellence.

Eonnagata is set during the time of King Louis XV and tells the story of the flamboyant Chevalier d'Éon, Charles de Beaumont - diplomat, writer, swordsman and perhaps the first spy to use transvestitism in the furtherance of his/her duties.

Drawing parallels to the ancient Kabuki technique of Onnagata - in which male actors portray female roles in an extremely stylised fashion - Eonnagata delves into the complex world of androgyny through a unique hybrid of dance, theatre and sword dancing. Lepage's touching portrayal of d'Éon, coupled with Maliphant and Guillem's endearing performance, create an intriguing mix of dance and theatre that's pure genius.

Rounding off this amazing creative collaboration are late legendary fashion designer Alexander McQueen and lighting pioneer Michael Hulls, whose extraordinary techniques add an amazing dimension to the performance.

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in association with Ex Machina & Sylvie Guillem presents Eonnagata, conceived and performed by Sylvie Guillem, Robert Lepage, Russell Maliphant, International Tour supported by Rolex.

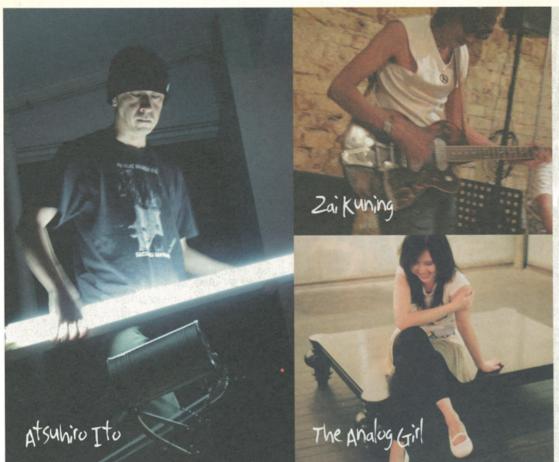
Post-show dialogue after 4 June performance.

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#### After Dark

Atsuhiro Ito ft. Zai Kuning & The Analog Girl (Japan/Singapore)
5 June, supperclub
\$25 (includes 2 drinks)
10.30pm, 120mins (with intermission)
Club rules apply
Entry for 18 years old & above

A meeting of musical minds with a stunning visual twist, this gig features Japanese contemporary artist Atsuhiro Ito, sound artist Zai Kuning and laptop rock pioneer The Analog Girl in an intense, electrifying conversation.

The stars of this unusual club gig manipulate musicality and digital technology to achieve a hypnotic soundscape and visual canvas, and look set to push the boundaries of live performance to a whole new level. This performance forefronts the performers' mastery of new technologies which are increasingly prevalent and ubiquitous among the urban generation.

Atsuhiro Ito first embarked on a career as a visual artist in the late 1980s, before developing sound performances in art exhibitions. His music device, the OPTRON, is an original invention made from fluorescent tubes. Over the years, Ito has continued to refine this instrument and to approach sound and music from a contemporary art-based perspective.

## Atsulairo Ito ft Zai Kuning & The Analog Girl

Zai Kuning has always remained a free-spirited and unpredictable maverick in the arts scene. Dancer, sculptor, painter, musician, filmmaker, photographer, performance artist, theatre director... none of these terms can aptly describe Zai. For the past six years, Zai has been exploring sound and music for theatre and film through acoustic and electronic sound. His musical style is split into two extreme forms. Acoustically, it is heavily based on Malay traditional music and rituals; electronically his sounds are heavily influenced by punk, chaos and deconstruction.

Singapore-based electro-rock chanteuse The Analog

Girl was named by TIME magazine as one of five Music

Acts To Watch in 2008. In this show, she performs a
dance of light and sound, art and pop. With the use of
intriguing machines like the Tenori-On and Percussa

Audio Cubes, come see her orchestrate electronic
music with an organic sensibility as she uses tangible
objects and touchscreen facilities to perform and
manipulate sound.





Arco Renz I Kobalt Works (Germany/Belgium) 5 & 6 June, Drama Centre Theatre 8pm, 60mins (no intermission) \$50, \$40, \$30, \$20

A collaboration by innovative Brussels-based German choreographer Arco Renz and Taiwanese performer Wen-Chi Su, *heroïne* is an abstract sensual dance exploration of space, time and energy; a reflection on perception and appearance, meditation and interference, stillness and movement.

Tracing a female body's struggle through an abstract universe confined by a complicated spatial network of structures, *heroïne* follows the seemingly virtual woman in time and space. Her act of striving to break free is a reflection of every human being's fundamental need for freedom and unlimited movement.

In heroïne, Arco confronts Wen-Chi's experience as a Chinese in Europe with her cherished artistic and cultural background; abstract dance becomes a tool to explore a fundamental difference between the Eastern and Western concepts of the performing arts: vertical time and space versus horizontal time and space. In the complex universe of heroïne, time evolves differently: it is no longer a linear succession of events but a single event suspended in perpetuity...forever.

Post-show dialogue after every performance.

#### Workshop by Arco Renz

Introduction to training methods, movement vocabulary and composition concepts in relation to the performance heroine.

12 June, 2 - 4pm, Victoria Theatre (The Terrace), \$30 Recommended for professional or semi-professionals in dance and theatre.

Register with nac\_artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sg



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Stretch your imagination with some of the most exciting names in the arts including Lee Yanor, Shelly Love and local artists daniel k, Victric Thng and Sherman Ong.

dance/film is curated by Yuni Hadi, daniel k and guest curator Raymond Chow (Hong Kong). Ratings to be confirmed.

Screening, - Fantasy 5 June, Ham, The Cathay Eneplex Hall 5, \$10

#### Films by Richard James Allen:

Step into another world where fantasy comes alive through choreographed dance, film and music. Expressing the undertones of gaming realities, Allen approaches his work with contemporary aesthetics that complements the digital multi-platforms of today.

Thursday's Fictions (51mins/Australia/2006)
This adult fairytale is a story about the transformative power of beauty, set in a magic realist world where each character is named for a day of the week.

Thursday's Fictions has the raw intensity, epic dimensions and fantastical imagery of legend or myth.

#### Short film screenings by Richard James Allen:

Down Time Jazz (2003/11:38mins/Australia) Director: Karen Pearlman

Producer: Richard James Allen

Screening 2 - Dance: Asia 5 June, IPM, The Cathay Eneplex Hall 5, \$10

A selection of dance short films that showcases some of the best talents in this genre from Singapore and Hong Kong.

A – Z (Singapore)
Director: Victric Thng

When the end of winter is almost spring (Singapore)
Director: Sherman Ong (Singapore)

Rainy Days and Mondays... (2008/29mins/Hong Kong)

Director: Maurice Lai Choreographer: Noel Pong

A Cup of Tea (2004/10mins/Hong Kong)

Director: Maurice Lai Choreographer: Yuri Ng

dancescape@margin@beijing (2004/10mins/Hong Kong)
Director/Choreographer: Winnie Fu, Franku Lung

Choreographer: Li Hanzhong, Ma Bo

Cogito, Ero Sum (2008/12mins/Hong Kong)
Director: Happy Wan, Sofave Chan

Choreographer: Tze Yu Ling

A Dance Film on Xing Liang (2008/9mins/Hong Kong)

Director: Terry Chan

Choreographer: Xing Liang, Helen Lai

A Play of Control (2008/8mins/Hong Kong) Director/Choreographer: Hui Mo Yiu

Shing Mun Redoubt (2008/8mins/Hong Kong)

Director: Joost van der Vleuten Choreographer: Ng Sze-wan

Screening 3 - Experimental 5 June, 3.20 pm, The Cathay Cineplex Hall 5, \$10

#### Films by Shelly Love:

Lush and visually stunning, Shelly Love's understanding of movement and space, combined with an unstoppable imagination makes her an artist ahead of her time. Through her work, she creates another world that brings you on a new adventure with each film.

The Forgotten Circus (2008/22mins) — International As a man takes his last breath he imagines himself as the Ringmaster of The Forgotten Circus. Eternally adrift, his circus performs once again to no audience, doomed to tumble and clown forever.

#### Short film screenings by Shelly Love:

Clingfilm (2006/6mins)
POD (2004/7mins)
Delia and George (2004/6mins)
Scratch (2004/6mins)
Little White Bird (2002/5mins)

Screening + - With Grace & Intent 6 June, 11am, The Cathay Cineplex Hall 5, \$10

#### Films by Lee Yanor:

Lee Yanor's work has been synonymous with dance for over a decade. Her works are seamless, ethereal and created with grace and intent.

Coffee with Pina Bausch (Germany/2006/52mins)

Coffee with Pina is a film between a documentary and video/art, an intimate dialogue with Pina Bausch recorded over 12 years. Filmed in Paris 2002 when Bausch and Yanor first met, and in Wuppertal, Germany 2005. Lee Yanor recorded German contemporary dance master Pina Bausch's work Water, the rehearsals and the conversation with her in a café.

#### Short film screenings by Lee Yanor:

Lenny's Dream (2000/9mins) Small Songs (2009/5mins)

Screenings - Without gorders 6 June, 1240 pm, The Cathay Cineplex Hall 5, \$10

#### Films by Alex Reuben:

Alex Reuben uses the camera lens as a microscope to examine society through dance and movement. His sensitivity, acute observations and skilled presentation open our hearts and minds to those around us that often remain unnoticed.

Routes (2007/48 mins/USA) Director: Alex Reuben Choreographer, R&D: Artist Links Residency, Brazil Dec 2008 – March 2009

An Arts Council England and British Council Artists Programme, with support from Visiting Arts.

Routes is a road movie through the social dance communities of the American Deep South. Inspired by Harry Smith's *Anthology of American Folk Music* (and evocative of Maya Deren's seminal *Meshes Of The*  Afternoon), Alex Reuben's film offers an idiosyncratic documentation of lesser-known forms of American culture, and the extraordinary dancing Americans of the Deep South.

#### Short film screenings by Alex Reuben:

Line Dance (2004/5mins) (Nominated for Best British Short Film 2004) A Prayer from the Living (2003/14mins)

Post-show dialogue after every screening.

Que Pasa (2001/1min)

#### masterclass by Alex Reuben

5 June, 10am – 1pm Objectifs Centre for Photography & Filmmaking, 56A Arab Street, Tel: +65 6293 9782 \$25 (refreshments will be provided) Limited seats

#### To register, email info@objectifs.com.sg

Alex Reuben was a DJ who extended his love for the arts to dance, film and painting. His works took on a life of its own and he was later commissioned for several projects by the Arts Council England, Sadlers Wells Theatre London, Channel 4 Television and received nominations for Best British Short Film with screenings at the ICA and the Cinematheque, Paris. He has since participated in numerous film and arts festivals.

Recommended for art enthusiasts, filmmakers, dancers, video artists, educators and students.

#### FOLUM

6 June, 11am – 1pm Objectifs Centre for Photography & Filmmaking, 56A Arab Street, Singapore 199753 Free

#### Forum Speakers

Jason Wee, daniel k, Lim How Ngean

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5 June, Victoria Theatre 8pm, 75mins (no intermission)

Revolution begins due to popular demand. Street Revolution JAM! comes about with a BANG! Showcasing all forms of the finest in urban street culture, Street Revolution JAM! encompasses the elite sporting talent with the best in new music, the hottest DJs, breakdance battles and rap great masters all surrounded by cutting-edge graffiti art straight from the streets.

Poetic lyrics are a window to Hip Hop world a snapshot of a life of getting lifted and contemplating the great mysteries of life, but at the same time keeping it grounded enough to hold it down in the real world and provide for creative seed. This JAM's gonna sound DOPE!

Don't miss it!

#### Singapore Street Festival

Young and need a platform to showcase your creativity and talent? Head down to the Singapore Street Festival and show 'em what you've got!

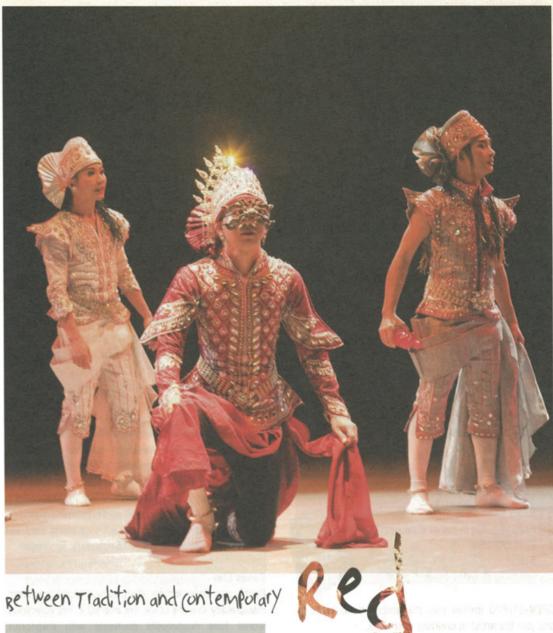
Founded by Annie Pek, a local veteran show producer, the Singapore Street Festival is a social and community platform for local youths to showcase their talents,

skills and abilities in the performing arts, visual art forms, lifestyle trends, entrepreneurship, technology, health and environment.

Targeted at youths aged 14 to 39 years old, the Singapore Street Festival provides an avenue for young talents to bond with peers who share the same passion and connect with popular culture.

One of the Singapore Street Festival's most passionate focus is its unwavering allegiance to a melee of beliefs: internationalism, multiculturalism, peace, freedom and love. Besides grooming youths to create, nurture and express their talents, the Singapore Street Festival also gives them a world of opportunities to collaborate and network with the right mentors and professionals. Since its inception in 2002, the Singapore Street Festival has witnessed encouraging participation from people of all nationalities, ethnicity and professions.

Focusing on the 'street' context is pivotal in maintaining It is a style that speaks across the generations from daughters to mothers, sons to fathers, amateurs to professionals.



Makhampom Theatre Group (Thailand) 8 & 9 June, Esplanade Theatre Studio 8pm, 90mins (no intermission) \$36

Red Demon is a modern Thai folk dance-drama directed by award-winning performing arts practitioner Pradit Prasartthong. Adapted from Japanese playwright Hideki Noda's script Akaoni, Red Demon is a contemporary Likay interpretation.

In Pradit's rendition, the rhythm and language tone have been modified to accommodate the comedic style of Likay, which is a traditional Thai dance drama performed at village festivals.

Set on an island in southern Thailand, the play tells the story of a village where three good friends, Kmuki, the vitality, energy and authenticity of the Festival - Common a strangelooking vagrant ostracised by the villagers. Their unique friendship eventually incurs the village's hostility, and the four friends depart by boat for an intriguing journey that results in the disappearance of the Red Demon.

Through rich symbolism, wonderful songs and playful humour, Red Demon explores themes of exploitation, xenophobia and humanity as it hurtles towards an explosive ending. A collaborative effort between Makhampom Foundation, Bangkok Theatre Network, Tokyo Metropolitan Art Space and the Jim Thompson Art Center, Red Demon is the first performance to be presented as an entirely new theme through Likay.

Performed in Thai with English surtitles.

Post-show dialogue after every performance.

#### Likay 101 Workshop

Learn more about Likay at this workshop 6 June, Drama Centre Function Room 3, 4 - 5.30pm Register with nac\_artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sg

10 & 11 June. **NAFA Studio Theatre** Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (Campus 3) 8pm, 60mins \$10

OPEN-STUDIO invites you, the audience, to come in and join the artist in creating new work.

The Singapore Arts Festival presents an exciting new platform that focuses on individual artists and process work. In every edition of OPEN-STUDIO, artists from Singapore and the region ranging from directors, writers, choreographers and musicians will be invited to participate in a year-long process: to embark on a creative journey without the pressure of presenting a finished work. This journey will see the artists presenting workshops and showings and to the public: laying bare the creative process as it happens. The audience will be invited to dialogue with the artists and provide feedback and thoughts on the process. The process ends with a final showing at the Festival's main programme itself.

OPEN-STUDIO 2010 will feature the creative process of a director and writer pairing and will be curated by Dr Robin Loon, Kok Heng Leun and Tang Fu Kuen.

Be part of the creative process - come into the OPEN-STUDIO.

Post-show dialogue after every performance.

#### Artists' Biography

#### Oliver Chona

As Resident Director/Artist of The Finger Players, Oliver has shown his visual flair, directorial ingenuity and talent as a playwright in productions such as I'm Just A Piano Teacher (2006), Pinocchio's Complex (2008) and Cat, Lost and Found (2009). His efforts won him numerous nominations at the Straits Times Life! Theatre Awards including Best Production of the year and Best Director.

#### Irfan Kasban

CLASSIFIED: Projek Congkak, Irfan's first theatre piece, won Most Outstanding Script and the coveted Pesta Peti Putih Challenge Trophy in 2006. He then wrote and directed Genap 40, which received rave reviews in 2007. M1 Fringe Festival 2009 then commissioned the 21-year-old to stage his debut full-length English play, We Live in a Box.

#### Elvira Holmberg

Currently a full-time freelance director and trainer, she directed The Importance of Being Earnest for Innova Junior College and Love, Food and Babies by Verena Tay for Catholic Junior College in 2009. She is currently an Artist-in-School at St Joseph's Convent, under the National Arts Council scheme and is the Artist in Residence for 2010 at CHIJ Secondary, Toa Payoh.

Casey has been acting, directing and creating interdisciplinary theatre since the mid 90's. His directorial works fuse multimedia elements with stagecraft, intersecting text, music, space with the actors' bodies. Some of his directorial credits include:

Private Parts (2004), Pan Island Expressway (1999), Beauty World (1998), and Lao Jiu (1997).

#### Bryan Tan

A playwright and director, Bryan was awarded the First Prize (Open Category) in the Hewlett-Packard/ Action Theatre 10-Minute Play Contest for Lizard In The Loo in 1996. He also received a Merit Prize in TheatreWorks' 24-Hour Playwriting Competition 1998 for Snakeskin. His entry for TheatreWorks' 24-Hour Playwriting Competition 2009, DykeBorn received a Special Mention.

#### Cheow Boon Seng

Boon Seng acted for The Theatre Practice and Drama Box before graduating from Fudan University Shanghai with a Bachelor's degree in Chinese Language and Literature. Boon Seng has participated in the Blanca from the Singapore Arts Space Playwright Series and presented his debut play Bondage in 2009. Among his many talents, Boon Seng is also a full-time teacher who writes social commentaries for a Sunday Chinese newspaper.



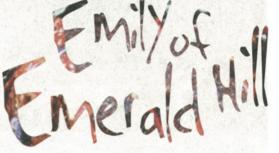
#### Re/Visit/create/imagine/mix

Margaret Chan (Singapore) 11 - 13 June (13 June show added by popular demand!) Victoria Theatre 8pm, 95mins (with intermission) \$50, \$40, \$30, \$20

Stella Kon's monodrama, Emily of Emerald Hill, which chronicles the life and tribulations of a Singaporean Peranakan matriarch, is a landmark play in the dramatic literature of the nation.

It was performed for the first time in Singapore by Margaret Chan at the Singapore Drama Festival in 1985. The production represented the nation at the Commonwealth Arts Festival in Edinburgh in 1986, and then made Singapore English language theatre history when it became the first Singapore show to be invited to the world-famous Edinburgh Festival Fringe that same year. In Edinburgh, Emily performed at the top theatre venues of the city - the Assembly Rooms and the Traverse Theatre. Emily continues to be performed regularly in Singapore, Malaysia and internationally. The play is a Ministry of Education approved literature text for secondary schools.

Festival 2010 at the Victoria Theatre. Her reprisal of this iconic performance that had her voted by the Straits Times as 'Singapore's Newsmaker of 1985' is viewed as a comment on the vigour of Singapore theatre.



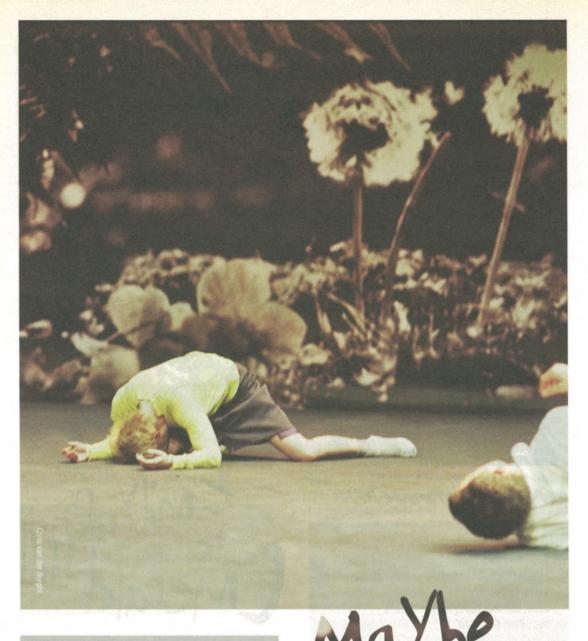
The 2010 production helmed by producer-director Jeremiah Choy and co-directed by Margaret will stage Margaret's Emily against the backdrop of this watershed era in Singapore history. The sense of that moment in time as the wane of the British Empire gave over to the birth of a new nation will be created with the help of a multi-media presentation by designerdirector Casey Lim. At the close of the play, Emily fades away, but her grandson emerges strong and resolute, and appreciative of the old woman's role in the bringing up of the family.

Post-show dialogue after every performance.

School talks and activities available for booking. Limited places!

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Meg Stuart/Philipp Gehmacher (Germany/Belgium/Austria) 11 & 12 June, Drama Centre Theatre 8pm, 80mins (no intermission) \$50, \$40, \$30, \$20

Two of Europe's most engaging and eloquent choreographers come together to create a profound and touching duet that beautifully balances between theatre, dance, music and visual art. Fueled by hauntingly evocative post-blues songs performed live by acclaimed Belgian singer-songwriter Niko Hafkenscheid, *Maybe Forever* unfolds on a large-scale visual installation by artist Janina Audick as it powerfully captures the whirling passions, fears and anxieties of love as it evaporates like a daydream.

Since launching her Brussels-based company Damaged Goods 15 years ago, New Orleans native Meg Stuart has been commissioned by Mikhail Baryshnikov and has won some of the world's most prestigious prizes, including the Mobil Pegasus Award, the German theatre prize Der Faust, a special prize for *Maybe Forever* at the Bitef

Festival in Belgrade, the Flemish Culture Prize and a Bessie Award. Austrian dance theatre innovator Philipp Gehmacher and his company Mumbling Fish have been featured at Europe's leading festivals. He received the Bonnie Bird New Choreography Award, the prestigious Jerwood Choreography Award and the advancement award of the Austrian Federal Ministry for Education, Arts and Culture.

Maybe Forever illustrates the tragedy of the missed meeting and the impossible present. Time and again the present has to make way for a melancholic mourning project: the desire for what is not present here and now. Time is translated into what has passed and what to not present here and now. Time is translated into what has passed and what to not present here and now. Time is translated into what has passed and what to not present here and now. Time is translated into what has passed and what to not present here and now.







Beijing Paper Tiger Theater Studio (China) 北京纸老虎戏剧工作室 12 & 13 June, Esplanade Theatre Studio 8pm, 70mins (no intermission) \$36 Contains brief scenes of violence

Cool, a performance piece that includes installations, bodywork and strong visual elements, is considered to be "a representative of the contemporary cruel theater". Its aesthetics of crudity and paradox happens to meet the contemporary urban landscape of the rapidly developing China and its power behind the parvenu.

Named after Mao Zedong's famous statement regarding Imperialism, "all the reactionaries are merely paper tigers!", Beijing Paper Tiger Theater Studio is going to put the cruel political games and violence onto the stage with their unique language.

It's time to witness their ability to make you shiver without seeing bloodshed.

Performed in Mandarin with English surtitles.

Post-show dialogue on 12 and 13 June.

#### Workshop by Beijing Tiger Theater Studio: Physical Theatre

13 June, 2 – 5pm, Victoria Theatre (The Terrace), \$15 Limited to 25 participants
Register with nac\_artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sg







"As you travel around the globe, the Academy's name has an aura possessed by no other gritish orchestra". - The Times

## ACADEMY OF ST. MARTIN ACADEMY OF ST. MARTIN IN THE FIELDS and TOCHUM

Academy of St. Martin in the Fields and Joshua Bell (UK) 12 & 13 June, Esplanade Concert Hall 7.30pm \$150, \$120, \$80, \$50, \$20

12 June, 90mins (with intermission)

Beethoven Mendelssohn Beethoven

Coriolan Overture, Op 62 Violin Concerto in E minor, Op 64 Symphony No 7 in A, Op 92 13 June, 100mins (with intermission)

Mozart Beethoven Beethoven Overture to *The Marriage of Figaro* Violin Concerto in D, Op 61 Symphony No 4 in B flat, Op 60

The Academy is one of the world's leading chamber orchestras famed for its superlative performances and impeccable musicianship. Perhaps it is fitting that they should make an exception for Grammy Award-winning violinist cum director Joshua Bell. Not only has Bell performed with all major orchestras and conductors, he has also been soloist on soundtracks for Oscar winning films, and recorded with artists such as Josh Groban, Sting, Pamela Frank and Steven Isserlis. His immense prowess on the violin and amply varied collaborations, coupled with his restless curiosity and multi-faceted musical interests have earned Bell the rare title of 'classical music superstar'.

Get ready for a gripping performance at the Esplanade as Bell – who wields the precious Gibson ex-Huberman Stradivarius of 1713 – and the celebrated musicians of the Academy forge a unique artistic relationship that will enthrall, delight and surprise you.

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GLOBAL PERFORMING ARTS EXCHANGE





The Mobile Sewing Company (The Netherlands) 27 – 30 May, VivoCity (East Boulevard, Level 1) 6.30 – 9.30pm

Searching for a truly unique piece of garment that no one else in the world has? You'll find it at *In The Mood*.

Karin Arts and Mariken Biegman are lady tailors/ entertainers who create original pieces of art using the clothes of members of the audience. To get participants 'in the mood', they are requested to take off their clothes and let these two handy ladies transform their outfits into original pieces of art – on the spot.

In The Mood is probably the only show in the world that's literally powered by the audience: while their clothes are being stitched, participants will be asked singapore international Fes to power the antique sewing machines by riding two gorgeous classical Dutch Bikes!

After delighting thousands around the world with their unique take on spontaneous performance art,



In The Mood will leave Singaporeans with some unique mementos they will treasure for life.

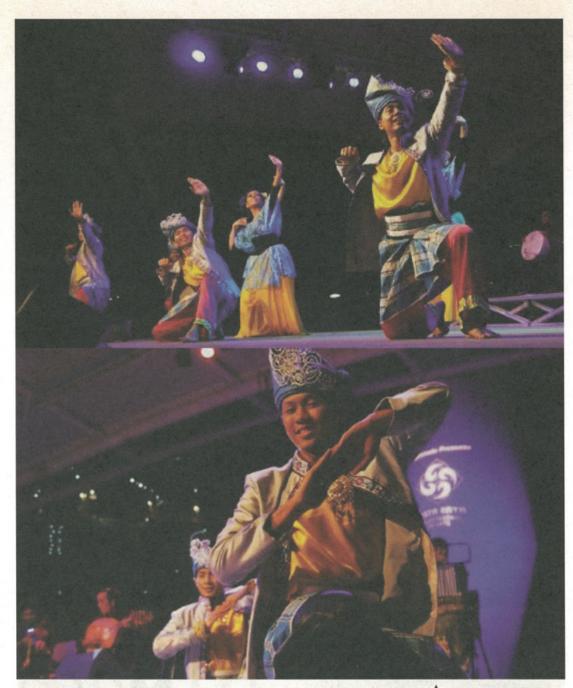
Who says you can't keep fit and go green in the name of fashion?

#### Workshop by The Mobile Sewing Company

31 May, 7 – 9.30pm, Kallang Community Club, \$30 (PAssion Cardmember) / \$35 (Non-member) Limited to 10 – 20 participants Register at www.one.pa.gov.sg by 1 May

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Era Dance Theatre Limited, Yayasan Warisan Johor and Langkan Budaya Taratak (Singapore/Malaysia/Indonesia) 28 - 30 May, Malay Heritage Centre From 7.15pm (Fri) & From 10am (Sat & Sun)

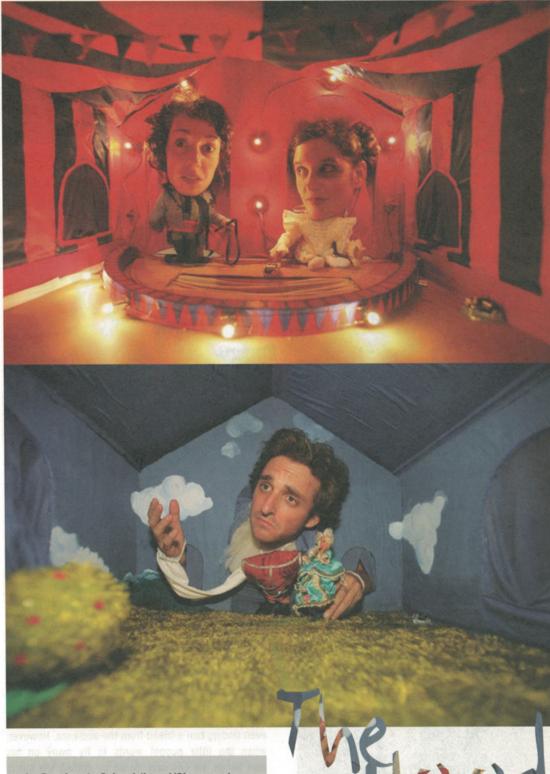
Experience beautiful melodies, enjoy exuberant dancing and listen to meaningful vocals that make for a true Zapin experience. As one of the five basic Malay dances, Zapin promotes the revitalisation of cultural heritage such as the unique form of traditional silat and will feature artisans of traditional crafts like the marwas (drums) and selodang (oud) in the 10-station Zapin Trail Experience.

This event will also explore the similarities and differences between Malay cultures in Singapore, Malaysia and Indonesia. Zapin D' Muara will feature



solo and duo dance items as well as collaborative pieces by Era Dance Theatre Limited, Yayasan Warisan Johor and Langkan Budaya Tarata Indonesia. Local groups Teater Tari Era, Sriwana, Azpirasi and Perkumpulan Seni will also be sharing their Zapin works.

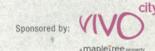
Enjoy the performances, participate in the workshops and seminars, experience classic P. Ramlee movies 1002 - Steam. Not only is the audience part of the scene but Kanchan Tirana and Semerah Padi under the stars, join the mass participation events, relax at the picnic and celebrate the best of Zapin all weekend long! For more information, visit www.singaporeartsfest.com



La Passionata Svironi (Israel/Singapore) 4 - 6 June, VivoCity (Sky Park, Level 3) 6.30 - 7.30pm, 8.30 - 9.30pm

Winner of the Bat-Yam Street Festival, Israel 09, La Passionata Svironi has created a new genre of miniature and interactive theatre. Small groups of audiences are invited to put their heads inside seven miniature houses created by Svironi Michal and her they also put in the music for it. Playing along with Singaporean performers, audience members interact with the comedians and puppets for an experience that goes well beyond any pre-written text.

This is truly out-of-the-box thinking from an amazingly creative group. The group plans to develop a repertoire of stories through cooperation with creators and comedians around the world.







Compagnie Une de Plus (France) 4 - 6 June, Merlion Park 5pm & 7pm, 30mins

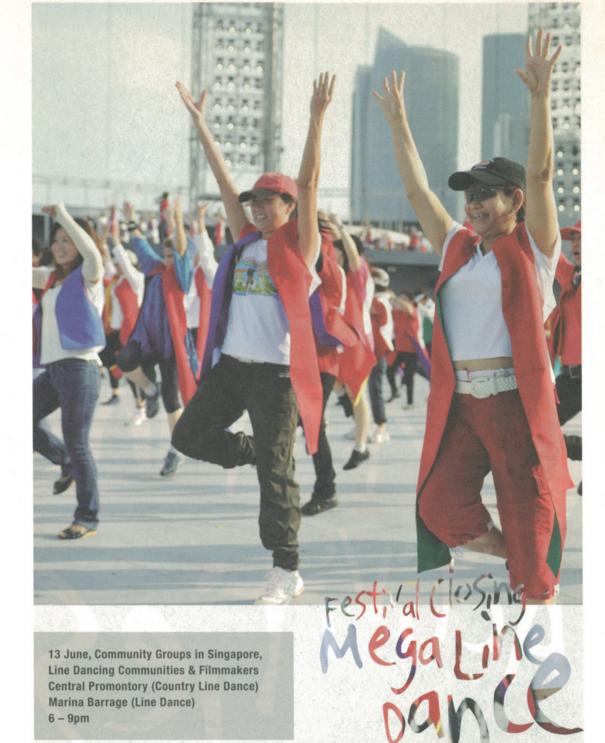
An outdoor show that incorporates puppetry, dance, mime, stilts and masks, Trois is a poetic and touching tale illustrating the circle of life.

Two actors dress like puppets - one a newborn who can't even stand up straight, the other a giant on stilts. The 'parent' takes the 'child' under his wing and teaches him to walk and be independent, even finding him a friend from the audience. However, when the little puppet wants to fly away on his own wings, he can only do so by cutting the string that ties him to his 'parent'. It is only when he kills him that he can freely live.

Trois is the brainchild of Compagnie Une de Plus, a company specialising in street theatre and puppetry that's founded by Eric Hervé. Since 2003, Compagnie Une de Plus has toured all over Europe, delighting young and old with their unique brand of innovative and fun puppetry. FOUR DECAD

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Line dancing has always been a popular activity in Singapore, and the 11,967 dancers who were part of the Guinness World Record set in Singapore for 'World's Largest Country Line Dance' in 2003 pays testament to that claim.

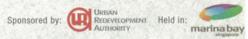
The numerous line dancing organisations, which organise their dances weekly outside shopping malls and community centres all around Singapore, are a sure sign that the art of line dancing is blossoming in tandem with Singapore's burgeoning arts culture.

It is therefore apt that the closing event of the Singapore Arts Festival will be a massive line dance project that will enable Singaporeans from all walks to engage in art making and express themselves!

This event will bring together all the line dance community groups in Singapore and pair them with dance/film makers. The resulting dance/film project will be showcased in dance/film series of Singapore Arts Festival 2011.

So put on your dancing shoes! Join us and be part of the Singapore Arts Festival.

Register with nac\_artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sg or call +65 6837 9541 by 15 May to secure your goodie bag!









Part of the Marina Bay Invitations 2010



For the first time ever, the Singapore Arts Festival will organise a series of outreach activities called com.mune, where everyone can learn more about the Festival and arts in an intimate way. Take a look at all the exciting activities and start scheduling your calendar! For full details, visit www.singaporeartsfest.com



Join us for a series of chats and previews of the upcoming Festival programmes. Come and hear the artists' journey in art making. Co-organised with the National Library Board.

Date	Topic	Venue
Sat 27 Feb	What's New in this year's Singapore Arts Festival & Volunteering for the Arts? Get a sneak preview of some of the Festival's highlights with Mr. Low Kee Hong, General Manager, Singapore Arts Festival and some past Festival volunteers.	Jurong Regional Library
Sat 27 Mar	Artists' Reflections — Revisiting Local Creations  A panel of local artists will share their creation process. Guest speakers include Haresh Sharma, Resident Playwright, The Necessary Stage and Jeremiah Choy, Director/Producer of Emily of Emerald Hill.	Ang Mo Kio Public Library
Sat 24 Apr	Contemporary Performances with a Purpose?  The panel will share about the practice of issues/themes driven performance.  Guest speakers include Joyce Beetuan Koh, Composer/Musician/Educator and her collaborators.	Marine Parade Public Library
Sat 15 May	International Collaborations  A panel of both international and local artists will share their experiences working internationally. Guest speakers include Haris Pašović, Director, East West Theatre Company, Jörg Karrenbauer, Director of Cargo Kuala Lumpur – Singapore and Ho Tzu Nyen, Visual Artist/Filmmaker/Theatre Director.	Queenstown Public Library
Sat 29 May	Introduction to dance/film What is dance/film? Hear the panel share about the challenges of choreography and filming the moving image. Guest speakers include Yuni Hadi and daniel k, Guest Curators, Singapore Arts Festival, dance/film Series.	library@esplanade
Sat 12 Jun	The Festival So Far Have Your Say!  Come meet the Singapore Arts Festival team and share with us your Festival experience. Moderated by Ms. Audrey Wong, Nominated Member of Parliament.	Tampines Regional Library
Sat 26 Jun	Singapore Arts Festival 2011 – A Preview  Come hear Mr. Low Kee Hong, General Manager of the Singapore Arts Festival share highlights of the 2011 Festival.	Central Public Library

#### From Screen To Stage - Costume Exhibition



Feast your eyes on the sensational creations of costume extraordinaire Moe Kasim from 11 May to 13 June at: VivoCity, South Avenue, Level 1 (11am – 10pm) and library@esplanade (10am – 9pm)



#### Victoria Theatre & victoria concert Hall Tours



Come hear funny or scary tales about these two old buildings from staff and celebrities first-hand! Book your tour at nac\_artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sg

	Date	Time
Special night tours for the Singapore Arts Festival Opening	<b>Daily</b> 14 – 16 May	3pm, 5pm 7pm & 9pm
School or Corporate bookings only	Wed to Fri 19 May – 11 June	2pm & 4pm
Public bookings only	Sat 22 May – 12 June	2pm & 4pm

#### 53 Festival Goes Green!

#### a) Celebrate Earth Day

Co-organised with South East Community Development Council, National Environment Agency (NEA) and ITE College East.

16 April, 2 - 5pm, ITE College East Function Room

Register with nac\_artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sq by 1 April

#### b) The Mobile Sewing Company Workshop

31 May, Kallang Community Club \$30 (PAssion Cardmember) / \$35 (Non-member)

Go behind the scenes with the two creative ladies of the Mobile Sewing Company and learn how to transform clothes into art!

Limited to 20 participants. Participants must bring their own clothes.

Register at www.one.pa.gov.sg by 1 May

#### Learning Workshops

a) Photography 101 Talk/Line Dancing 101 In collaboration with People's Association's Lifeskills and Lifestyle Division.

Register at www.one.pa.gov.sg

#### b) Arts Writing

In partnership with ACJC Centre of Excellence

Register with nac\_artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sq by 1 April

#### c) Likay 101

Discover and learn more about Likay, a traditional folk dance from Thailand that incorporates singing

Register with nac\_artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sq by 15 May

#### Festival Insights!

A series of three-minute interviews with selected Singapore Arts Festival artists will be available at www.singaporeartsfest.com from May 2010.

#### Festival Mobile Library

Want to find books or films related to the performance you are about to or have just watched? Borrow them at Festival mobile libraries at selected performance venues such as Esplanade. Drama Centre and Victoria Theatre.

#### Festival Resource Kits

A series of free resource kits for teachers, parents and students to download and reference before or after Festival performances. Available for download at www.singaporeartsfest.com from May 2010.

#### competitions and Lucky praws!

#### a) Memories of Victoria Theatre & Victoria Concert Hall Photo Competition

Submit photographs sharing the memories of Victoria Theatre & Victoria Concert Hall.

Download entry form at www.singaporeartsfest.com. Over \$10,000 worth of prizes to be won!

Closing date: 23 April

#### b) Tweet And Win!

Watch any Singapore Arts Festival show and write a 140-character Twitter review! Three prizes will be awarded every week for each category. Over \$3,500 worth of prizes to be won!

Register with nac\_artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sg

c) Festival Lucky Draw Gabore International Borrow any four books at selected libraries from 14 May to 13 June and enter a Lucky Draw to win limited edition memorabilia from the Singapore Arts Festival

#### Great for Primary School and Relow Kids Advisory panel

Searching for 10-year-olds to have a say in the Singapore Arts Festival's Kids Festival panel!

Register with nac\_artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sg by 31 March

## Spin an Asian Tale-a Short Story-Telling competition

Share tales from the East in a short storytelling competition for under 12-year-olds. Over \$4,000 worth of prizes to be won!

Register with nac artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sq by 1 April

## Great for Secondary School and Beyond The Great Gatsby video challenge

Adapt The Great Gatsby from print to screen and win fantastic prizes! Over \$4,500 worth of prizes to be won!

Register with nac artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sg

#### dance/film symposium

Co-organised by Objectifs and Hwa Chong Institution. 5 June, 9.30am - 12.30pm, Hwa Chong Institution, Lecture Theatre 3.

Discover what it takes to choreograph dances successfully for the screen.

Register with dfs2010@hci.edu.sg by 1 May

#### Youth Arts (amp ( 8-10 tune)

Using the Festival's productions as inspiration, students will learn playwriting, physical theatre and more!

Register with nac\_artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sg by 7 May

#### Learning Workshops a) Zapin - 101

- · Zapin Asyik Dance and Choreography
- · Traditional Silat as a Performing Art
- · Degup Sastera Pantun dan puisi
- . Introduction to Malay Performing Arts

Register with irda@eradancetheatre.com

#### b) Digital Filmmaking and Photography

- . Digital Filmmaking: Creative Lab
- . Digital Filmmaking: The Short Video Project
- · Digital Photography: Introduction to Digital Photography

Register with info@objectifs.com.sg

### Great for Teachers and artists

## creative skills share -Have Fun With costumes!

Exclusively for teachers! Learn the basics of design, colour, texture, shape, material and flow of costume design with Moe Kasim.

Register with nac artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sq by 1 April

#### Shakespeare: understand and Frijoy!

Learn how to make the work of Shakespeare more approachable and enjoyable for teenagers.

Conducted by Joe Winston, Associate Professor of Drama and Theatre Education, University of Warwick, UK.

#### Theatre for Social Change

An interactive workshop for artists and educators to learn how to implement games and theatre techniques to address important south issued.

conducted by Christopi Marin (Assistant Professor) New York University

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#### Great for corporations Festival Day out gond Through the Arts!

The Festival is looking for enlightened companies with a sense of social responsibility to be generous and buy tickets for the underprivileged and spend a day with them.

Register with nac artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sq by 1 May

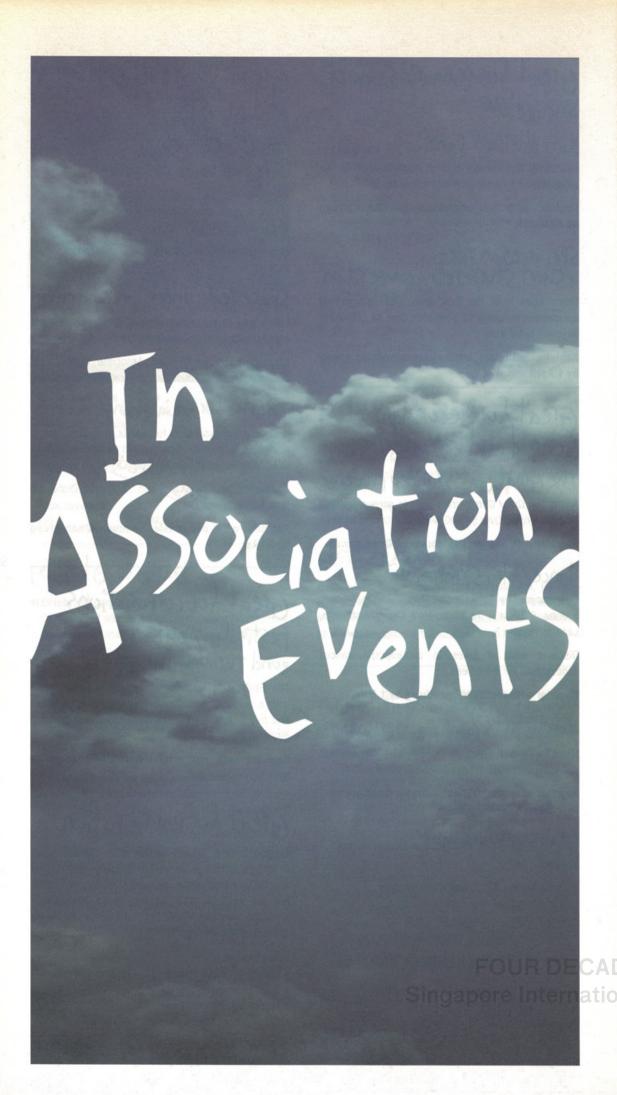
### Great for participation

Do you have a passion for the arts? Do you speak a-foreign language or enjoy mingling with artists and other interesting people? Equally important, are you available from 14 May to 13 June 2010? If you are, then join us as a Festival Ambassador for the Singapore Arts Festival 2010.

#### Roles available

- · Volunteer Crew/Performers
- · Front of House
- · Marketing
- . Education and Outreach

Register with nac\_artsfestcommune@nac.gov.sg by 1 April for the April training



### In association with conversasians



Produced by Esplanade - Theatres on the Bay, ConversAsians spotlights Asian artists and engages with them in a new and meaningful way. This unique event provides opportunities to get to know them as artists and individuals, and gain an appreciation of their fascinating creative journeys. You can expect illuminating insights and stimulating dialogues from an extensive programme of talks, discussions, interviews hosted by thought leaders, workshops and stagings of works-in-progress, performance excerpts and full-length productions.

Visit www.conversasians.com.sg for more details.

#### In conversation with

Join us at these sessions where we spotlight the artists. Get to know them as artists and individuals, listen to their personal perspectives on art and life, and gain an appreciation of their fascinating creative journeys.

26 May: Lin Hwai-Min (Taiwan) 28 May: Danny Yung (Hong Kong) 29 May: Nitin Sawhney (UK)

Esplanade Concert Hall, 10.30am (90mins)

\$10 each session

Package: \$25 for all 3 sessions

#### music composition masterclass by Nitin Sawhney (UK)

26 May, Esplanade Rehearsal Studio, 9am (90mins), \$20

Nitin Sawhney will demonstrate different techniques, perspectives and diverse possibilities of musical composition and performance.

Participants should have prior experience in music composition and performance.

#### gody & movement masterclass by Aditi Mangaldas (India)

27 May, Esplanade Rehearsal Studio, 10am (150mins), \$20

Dancer and choreographer Aditi Mangaldas will share with participants her techniques and methods of working with the body.

Recommended for dance practitioners, dance students or those with dance/movement experience.

#### making History -A Visual Arts Symposium

27 May, 10.30am (90 mins), Esplanade Bay Room, Free

Join Alwin Reamillo (Philippines), Green Zeng (Singapore), Khanh Bui (Vietnam), Mella Jaarsma (Indonesia), Nge Lay (Burma), Tang Da Wu (Singapore) and Vasan Sitthiket (Thailand) in this symposium examining issues surrounding Southeast Asian contemporary art today.

#### An Introduction to Nankuan and Liyuan Music by Han Tang Yuefu Ensemble (Tailvan)

27 May, Esplanade Rehearsal Studio, 4.30pm (90mins),

Chen Mei-O, artistic director of the Han Tang Yuefu

Ensemble, together with a musician and a dancer will give a demonstration and talk for participants who are keen to know more about Nankuan music and Livuan dance traditions.

No experience in playing Chinese music instrument

#### Introduction to cambodian classical Dance by Amrita performing Arts ((ambodia)

28 May, Esplanade Rehearsal Studio, 2pm (90mins), \$20

This class will be led by senior master Sam Sathya, along with dancers of Amrita Performing Arts, including one of the great monkey dancers in Cambodia, Phon Sopheap. An overview and demonstration of court dance and the male version of the classical dance, Lakhaon Kaol, will be followed by a practical session covering basic gestures and movements of the male, female and monkey roles.

Recommended for dance practitioners and dance students though prior dance experience is not necessary.

#### contemporary pance masterclass by tecko Siompo (Indonesia)

28 May, Esplanade Rehearsal Studio, 4.30pm (90mins),

Jecko Siompo will share with participants his techniques and methods of working with the body.

Recommended for dance practitioners, dance students or those with dance/movement experience.

#### Training principles of cloud Gate pance Theatre of Tailan

29 May, Esplanade Rehearsal Studio, 9am (90mins), \$20

Conducted by Cloud Gate Dance Theatre of Taiwan's Associate Artistic Director, Lee Ching-Chun, this workshop takes participants through explorations in contemporary dance and some of the company's training techniques including breathing, Tai Chi Tao Yin (an ancient form of Chi Kung), meditation and martial arts.

Requirements: At least 1-2 years of body training (dance, theatre or movement)

Interity Rock Explosion

The Axis of Awesome debuted Infinity Rock Explosion! at the 2009 Edinburgh Fringe Festival and sold out every single show. Now, Australia's most awesome musical comedy trio are bringing Infinity Rock Explosion! to Singapore! Check out the YouTube video of their awesome 4 Chords Song and watch them LIVE this May at Flipside!



by Group Pocha (Korea) 1 - 3 June, Esplanade Recital Studio, 7,30pm 80mins (no intermission) Trie Chaser

If you enjoy Korean acrobatic and stunt theatre shows. you will love the comic timing and interactive elements in The Chaser! From sleek dance moves, street magic. juggling acts to good ol' slapstick humour. The Chaser will be an absolute treat for all in the family.



by Joel Salom (Australia) 4 & 5 June, Esplanade Recital Studio, 7.30pm 6 June, 3pm 60mins (no intermission)

High-tech, dazzling and hilarious, Gadgets combines circus feats and beats with Joel's musical sidekicks, Marko Simec and Jim Dunlop in creating a bizarre mix of pop and jazz fused with gypsy swing, sparking moments of hilarious improvisation and audience participation. You'll also meet Erik the Dog - a sharp, irreverent. smooth-talking, remote-controlled tin terrier with an attitude!



by Les Enfants Terribles Theatre Company (UK) **Esplanade Recital Studio** 11 & 12 June, 7.30pm 13 June, 3pm 80mins (no intermission)

The Terrible Infants

Based upon a series of twisted tales, The Terrible Infants blends puppetry, live music, storytelling and physicality into a highly sensory Roald Dahl-meets-Tim Burton theatrical feast suitable for big kids and small grown-ups. Meet Tumb, the boy who eats his mum, Thingummyboy, with a face even his mother forgets and of course little Tilly and her terrible tail. Featuring recorded narration from Dame Judi Dench, enjoy an evening of deliciously wicked stories of naughty children and dreadful deeds!

#### Flipside savings packages:

20% savings for all 4 Flipside productions. 10% savings for 2 to 3 Flipside productions. Visit www.esplanade.com/flipside for more details.

## In association with Kreta Ayer people's Theatre



CANTONESE OPERA

Guangxi Nanning Cantonese Opera Troupe (China) 8 - 13 June, Kreta Ayer People's Theatre, 7.30pm \$50, \$40, \$30, \$20, \$15

Sale of tickets commences at Kreta Ayer People's Theatre Box Office from 29 May, 12 - 8pm Tel: +65 6222 3972

Making its debut in Singapore will be the Nanning Cantonese Opera Troupe 南宁粤剧团 (NCOT) from Guangxi in China. The 60-member Troupe will treat opera fans to a showcase of traditional Cantonese opera not performed in Singapore in recent decades. A reputable opera troupe in China, NCOT has won several national, regional and municipal awards for its performances, and accolades from the audience. Its award-winning works include Emperor Qianlong Nominates a Scholar, Mid-Autumn Festival, Zijin Hammer. Kaitai New Voice and The Governor Hosts a Party. The Troupe has continued its winning streak with recent original titles such as A Lucky Hit (2007) and Mulian Saves His Mother (2009).

The Troupe's lead actress, Liang Sumei(梁素梅), had won the Plum Blossom Award in the 19th Chinese Drama Award for her role in Zijin Hammer, Apart from Huang Juncheng (黄俊成) who is the lead actor, the Troupe has over the years also groomed an experienced team of top-notch script writers. composers, directors, musicians and performers. The performance of the NCOT, which will present a different show every night, is not to be missed.

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#### International Museum Day 2010

I love Museum - Kid's Edition Venue: Various museums Date: 14 - 23 May 2010



Indulge in a delightful heritage holiday! Explore the diversity of museums while bonding with your little ones. Kids will be thrilled by a kaleidoscopic array of activities - including storytelling sessions, craft of which are free! Also look out for Children's Season 2010 - made bigger, better, and bolder for you. Plus, enjoy free entry to participating museums on 23 May. For details, visit www.museums.com.sg from 26 April onwards.

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Savour a selection of healthy made-to-order sandwiches, workshops, games and other interactive events - many at 10 mal - e delicious salad combinations and other delectable homemade soups and hot dishes at Makarios! Check out the signature menu at www.makarios.com.sg now!



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- TCC Suntec City Mall
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Not applicable for lowest category tickets

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Not applicable for lowest category tickets

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· Available through the Festival Ticketing Office

Call +65 6837 9541

(Mon - Fri, 9am - 6pm)

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20% discount for any value purchase

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- . Discount is not applicable for lowest category tickets for NSFs · Random checks on concession tickets will be conducted at the
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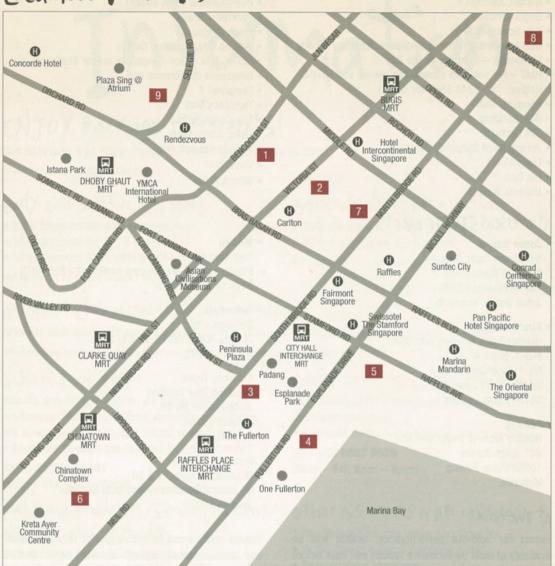
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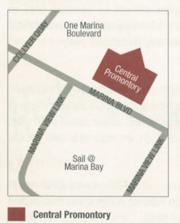
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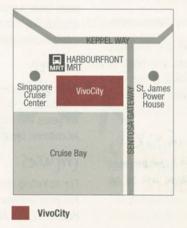
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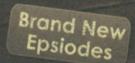


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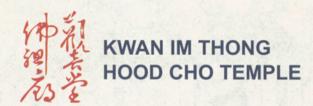
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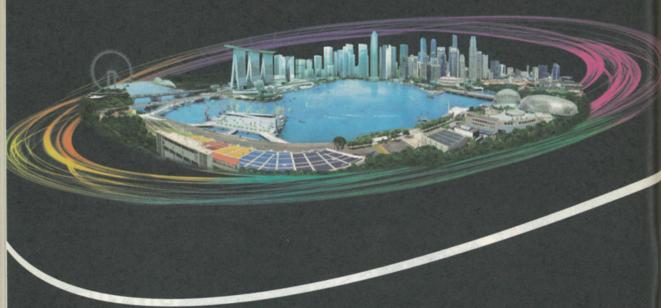
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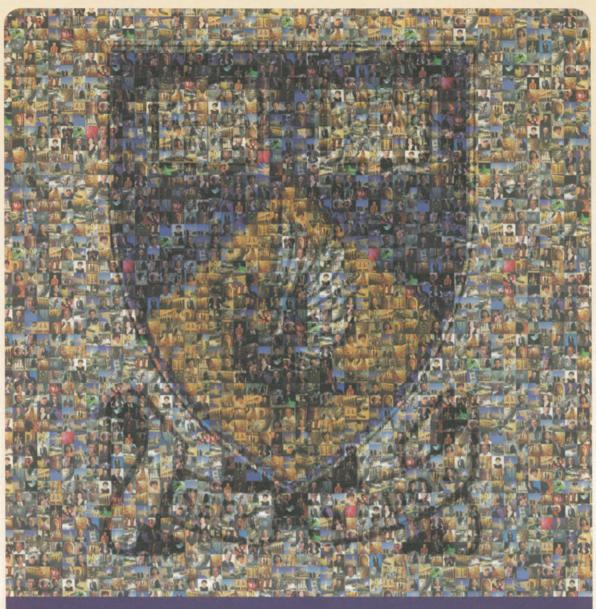


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