



Wanna join a Peranakan Party this weekend?

Description

We were invited by the Asian Civilisation Museum to the media preview of *Armenian Street Party 2025: Peranakan Stars* at the Peranakan Museum yesterday, located at 39 Armenian Street. The event runs from 14th to 16th March 2025.

ARMENIAN STREET PARTY PERANAKAN STARS

14-16 Mar, 5-10pm

Get ready for a weekend of star power at the Armenian Street Party as Peranakan culture takes centre stage in a showcase of art, fashion, exciting performances, culinary delights, and more.

- **Free admission to special exhibition:** Wear your favourite sarong kebaya or batik outfit for free entry to *Batik Nyonyas: Three Generations of Art and Entrepreneurship* on 14-16 Mar (limited to first 250 visitors per day).
- **Emerald Hill Takeover:** Meet the stars of the screen as cast members from Mediacorp make special appearances.
- **Enduring Blessings by Ashley Yeo:** Explore an art installation inspired by Peranakan art and auspicious motifs found on textiles and furniture.
- **Star Makeover with Raymond Wong:** Treat yourself to a makeover and step into the spotlight as a Peranakan star!

Armenian Street Programmes | Free admission

PARTY LIKE A PERANAKAN STAR!

14-16 MAR, VARIOUS TIMINGS
Sing and dance along to an exciting line-up of performances inspired by Peranakan culture – including a special performance by Dick Lee!

Fri, 14 Mar

6pm	Itch & Hiiddy
8pm	The Rasa Sayang Singapura show with Melissa Sidek and friends
9pm	Reggae Remedy

Sat, 15 Mar

6.30pm	Peacock Dance by Rhythms Aesthetic Society
7pm	In the Mood for Kebaya with The Peranakan Association Singapore & Friends
8pm	Dick Lee
9pm	Peranakan Sayang

Sun, 16 Mar

6.30pm	Gunong Sayang Association
7pm & 8pm	Rudy Djoe & Mansoor Joget Combe

MASAK MASAK: COOKING WITH CULINARY STARS LIMITED SEATING

Kachang Panjang Char Titek
with Krisada and
Baba Richard Tan
14 Mar, 5.30-6.30pm

Nasi Ulam
with Chef Damian D'Silva
15 Mar, 5.30-6.30pm

*Nyonya Chap Chye &
Satay Ayam Goreng*
with Chef Philip Chia
16 Mar, 5.30-6.30pm

PERANAKAN PASAR
14-16 MAR, 5-10PM
CASHLESS PAYMENT
Savour Peranakan flavours
at our food street and shop
a selection of
Peranakan-inspired goods.

Participating vendors and community partners:
Birds of Paradise | Candienut | Global Mat Soul Kitchen | Indian Inks | Mary's Kafe |
Mama Mel's | Moon Juice Kombucha | Sherry's Singapore Fine Food | Think Batik |
Arab Network @ Singapore | Peranakan Indian (Chilly Melaka) Association Singapore |
The Peranakan Association Singapore | UNIOLO

Full programme details:



We had the opportunity to participate in a *Star Makeover with Raymond Wong* where we can dress ourselves up in Peranakan attire for the evening. There was a long queue of participants waiting in line to get their make up done by these make-up professionals. I guess I will omit the make-up stage and pick my Peranakan outfit instead.

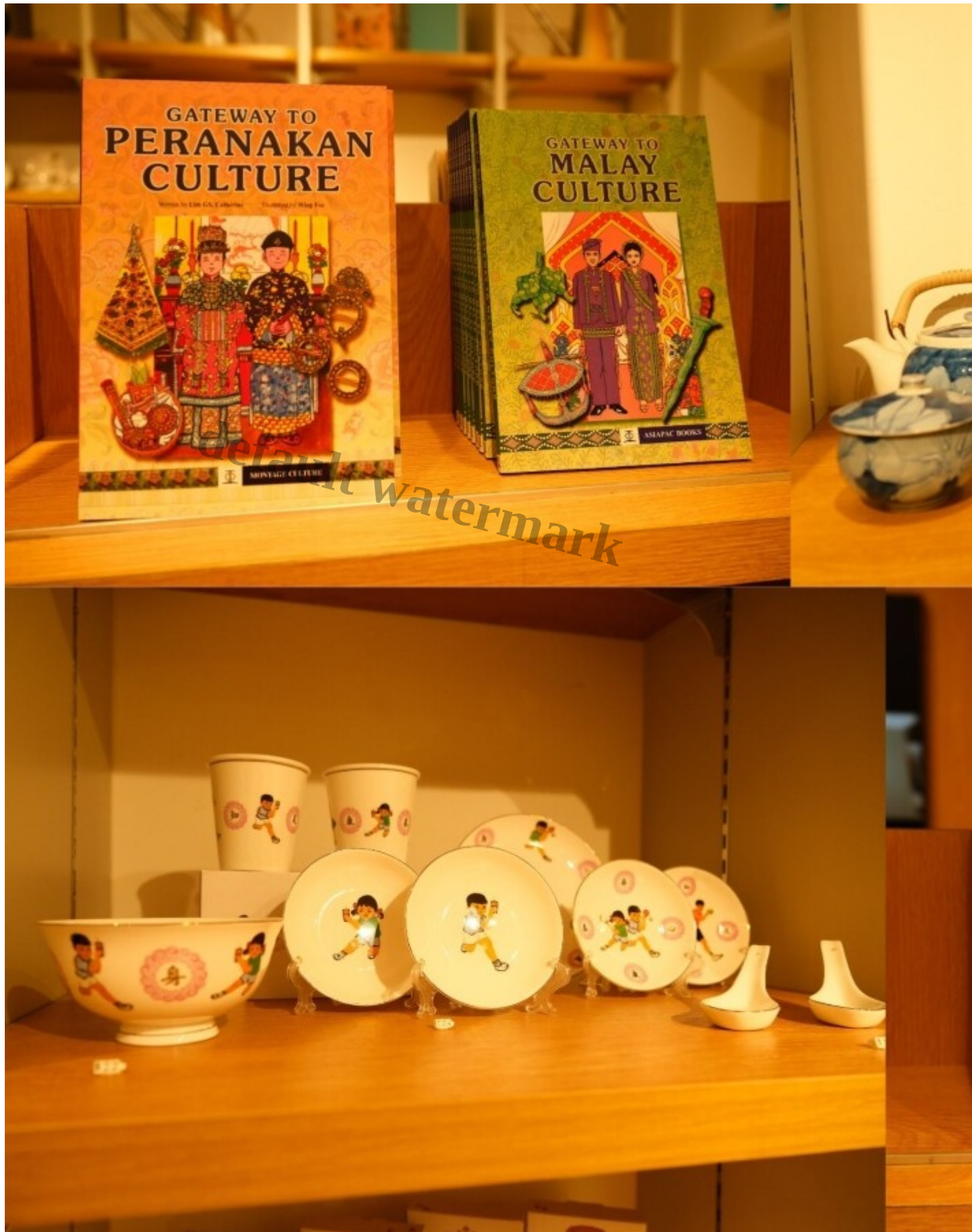
default watermark





Can I put this on the cover of Vogue Men's magazine?

Check out the batik shirt I picked. I used to own a similar piece with purple floral designs. I think it looks more modern and youthful compared to the conventional brownish base batik shirts.



Some of the eye-catching Peranakan merchandise while waiting for my tour



Raymond is sharing the intricacy and timeline to design a kebaya

Raymond Wong is a leading kebaya maker and Steward of Intangible Cultural Heritage. Since 2005, Raymond has honed his passion for kebaya-making and Peranakan beadwork and has built a

reputation for his craftsmanship. In 2016, the Singapore government commissioned him to create a Peranakan sulam shawl specially for Mrs Michelle Obama during PM Lee Hsien Loong's state visit to the US. Raymond strongly believes in making Peranakan culture relevant to our youth. ([The Peranakan Association Singapore](#))

As we explored the Peranakan Museum, there was simply so much beauty and art in every display. I do not have the words fitting for these treasures so I shall let the photos do the talking.

default watermark



She looks like someone important for sure





Next, the Ixora Room was packed with activities and Peranakan decorations of all kinds. It was bustling with so much energy I could barely focus on our tour leader. There were handicraft workshops, and props display from the drama serial, “The Little Nonya”. And little Ang Ku Kueys that do not look too filling.



Takes a steady pair of hands when it comes to details



Can my good friend, Wilber find his Cinderella with these?



This little dynamite is determined to paste it right



Hanging out with your kakis is the best thing ever



Enduring Blessings by Ashley Yeo

One of the artworks on display is the *Enduring Blessings* designed by Ashley Yeo, who has an MA in Fine Arts from the University of Arts London, Chelsea College of Arts. She has exhibited in Singapore, Japan, South Korea, the UK, and the US. In 2018, she was the first Singaporean artist shortlisted for the LOEWE Craft Prize in London.

default watermark



Ashley Yeo is sharing her inspiration behind Enduring Blessings.



Come, let me bring you to explore the bazaar



Feeling all artistic, I could not help but capture this rare mural on the side of this shophouse. In Singapore, you DO NOT do this unless you have special approval from the relevant authorities to do so. And probably a very very tall ladder.



You know when someone is having fun, they do not care less who is looking, just like these 2 DJs. As they groove to the music, the Peranakan party also comes alive. I wanted to dance too, but my camera would lose focus so I had to do the dancing in my head.

default watermark



UNIQLO's Twine Together Zero Waste activity aims to create awareness of recycling using batik fabric scraps that we can use to craft beautiful handmade gifts. These are super easy and fun, suitable for all ages. Let your creative juices flow!



This cute couple, all dressed for the Peranakan party, having a fun date with Milo. I was trying to sneak a photo but the nice lady spotted me and she candidly posed for me. This handsome dude has the same taste as me. Nice catch bro, Cantik!

Check out our short 360 video clip which we took!

Special thanks to the Asian Civilisation Museum for having us. Bring your loved ones down this weekend for a tour!

Date Created

15/03/2025

Author

willietan

default watermark