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### Architecture

20 Under 45: The Next Generation  
Singapore: Urban Redevelopment Authority, 2010  
220p. ; 21cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789810838607  
\$ 35.00

The “20 Under 45: The Next Generation” is an initiative of the Architecture & Urban Design Excellence (AUDE) programme of the URA.

It presents the works of the selected young Singapore architects under the age of 45. The architects are selected, based on their dossier of works, by a panel of assessors drawn from the architectural profession, the professional board, the real estate industry and institutions of higher learning.

More than a collection of excellent buildings, the selection of the architects is based on their overall achievement in architectural design, ideas and leadership. The works also collectively highlight the state of architectural culture and discourse in Singapore.

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### Art

Singapore Contemporary Artists Series: Vincent Leow  
Singapore: Singapore Art Museum, 2010  
80p. ; 25cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789814260411  
\$ 40.00

Singapore Contemporary Artists Series: Vincent Leow documents and charts the artist's career that spans over two decades. Through close analysis of significant periods of the artist's life as well as personal responses from artists, curators and art historians on his keywords, readers will understand the motivation behind Vincent's thought-provoking installations, paintings, sculptures, mixed media art and art performances.

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## **Economics/ Development Studies**

Sovereign Wealth Funds: States Buying The World / Lixia Loh  
Singapore: Talisman Publishing Pte Ltd., 2010

xiv. 218p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810860110

\$ 35.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=123038>

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Raffles Conversations 2009 Edition: A Collection from The Business Times

Singapore: The Business Time & Straits Times Press, 2010

515p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814266499 (HB)

\$ 29.50

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=123039>

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Road to Recovery: Singapore's Journey through the Global Crisis / Sanchita Basu Das

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing, 2010

xxi. 227p. ; 22cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814311052

1. Global Financial Crisis, 2008-2009
2. Financial crises – Singapore
3. Singapore – Economic conditions
4. Singapore – Economic policy
5. Monetary policy – Singapore

\$ 29.90

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122566>

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Energy Issues in the Asia-Pacific Region / Amy Lugg & Mark Hong (Edited)

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing, 2010

xviii. 329p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814279284

1. Energy policy – Asia
2. Power resources – Asia
3. Energy consumption – Asia
4. Energy policy – Pacific Area
5. Power resources – Pacific Area
6. Energy consumption – Pacific Area

\$ 49.90

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122568>

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A New Geography of Knowledge in the Electronic Industry? Asia's Role in Global Innovation Networks / Dieter Ernst

Honolulu: East-West Center, 2009

x. 64p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9781932728828

Policy Studies 54

\$ 15.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=123041>

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The Global Economic Crisis and Its Implications for Asian Economic Cooperation / Michael G. Plummer

Honolulu: East-West Center, 2009

ix. 55p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9781932728842

Policy Studies 55

\$ 15.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=123042>

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The Twelfth Singapore Economic Roundtable December 2009 / Manu Bhaskaran & Lee Yoong Yoong (Edited)

Singapore: Straits Times Press Reference for National University of Singapore, 2010

100p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814266628

1. Singapore – Economic policy – Congresses
2. Singapore – Economic conditions – Congresses
3. Climatic changes – Economic aspects – Singapore – Congresses

\$ 29.90

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122892>

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The Top Toast: Ya Kun and the Singapore Breakfast Tradition / William Koh

Singapore: Cengage Learning Asia Pte. Ltd., 2010

xii. 214p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814281652

\$ 25.00

The Top Toast looks at how Adrin Loi took his father's business from a street corner coffee stall, and turned it into a household name in Singapore. From a single outlet at Far East Square in 1998, Ya Kun Kaya Toast now has 32 branches located throughout Singapore, and also expanded to regional territories such as Taiwan, Japan, Korea, Indonesia and Vietnam.

This book gives the reader an insight into Adrin Loi's leadership motivation and drive, and his passion to grow Ya Kun International. IT also looks at the important of human resource management in growing a company, and having the right organizational structure and culture to support business growth.

Finally, the book examines the strategic choices that confront a small business. Unlike an MNC that can compete in any market by selling the same product, Ya Kun has to choose its products carefully, select its battlefield with wisdom and grow strategically.

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## **Environment**

Growing Carnivorous Plants in the Tropics / Cindy Chiang Lih Pyng

Singapore: Celestial, 2010

xii. 115p. ; 21cm.

Includes bibliographical references and index

ISBN-13: 9789814022514

1. Carnivorous plants – Tropics

\$ 15.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=123045>

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Plants and Flowers of Singapore / Ivan Polunin  
Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2009  
160p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814276481

1. Plants – Singapore
2. Plants – Singapore – Identification
3. Flowers – Singapore
4. Flowers – Singapore – Identification

\$ 22.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=123046>

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## History

Pirates, Ports, and Coasts in Asia: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives / John Kleinen & Manon Osseweijer (Edited)

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing, 2010

xii. 299p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814279079

1. Pirates – Asia

IIAS/ISEAS Series on Maritime Issues and Piracy in Asia

\$ 49.90

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*Pirates, Ports and Coasts in Asia* aims to fill in some of the historical gaps in the coverage of maritime piracy and armed robbery in Asia. The authors highlight a variety of activities ranging from raiding, destroying and pillaging coastal villages and capturing inhabitants to attacking and taking over vessels, robbing and then trading the cargo and its people. Generally speaking, what connects these activities is the fact that they are carried out at sea, often in the coastal inshore waters, by vessels attacking other vessels or raiding coastal settlements. Acts of maritime piracy cannot be regarded as being located outside the relevant framework of the coastal zone. Coastal zones have therefore become highly desirable places, a circumstance which has transformed them into places subject to great social and ecological pressures. Piracy being the most dramatic of marginal(ized) maritime livelihood, this book brings the relationship between pirates, ports, and coastal hinterlands into focus.

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Diversity Singapore: A Cartoon History of Immigration / Morgan Chua & Justin Zhuang ; Edited by Cherian George

Singapore: Mix Media, 2010

47p. ; 18cm. by 26cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810860868

\$ 10.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=123047>

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Tan Kah Kee and Lee Kong Chian in the Making of Modern Singapore and Malaysia / Leo Suryadinata (Edited)

Singapore: Chinese Heritage Centre, 2010

xx. 279p. ; 21cm.

Includes bibliographical references

ISBN-13: 9789810853501

1. Chen, Jiageng, 1874-1961 – Congresses
2. Li, Guangqian, 1893-1967 – Congresses
3. Chinese – Singapore – History – Congresses
4. Chinese – Malaysia – History – Congresses
5. Businessmen – Singapore – Biography – Congresses
6. Businessmen – Malaysia – Biography – Congresses

\$ 18.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=123048>

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Celebrating 100 Years: The Singapore Ceylon Tamil's Association Founded 1910 / Indra Rani Lavan Iswaran

Singapore: Singapore Ceylon Tamil's Association

192p. ; 21 x 30cm.

\$ 22.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=123049>

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Pioneers Once More: The Singapore Public Service 1959-2009 / Chua Mui Hoong (with additional interviews by Ken Kwek)

Singapore: Straits Times Press & public service Division, 2010

256p. ; 25cm.

Includes bibliographical references and index

ISBN-13: 9789814266581

1. Civil service – Singapore – History
2. Public administration – Singapore – History
3. Singapore – Officials and employees

\$ 35.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=123050>

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I Remember: To my Grandpa/Grandma from all of us / National Library Board

Singapore: Stallion Press (Singapore) Pte. Ltd., 2009

185p. ; 22cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810823023

1. Grandchildren – Singapore – Correspondence
2. Grandparent and child – Singapore

\$ 12.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=123051>

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Heritage Places of Singapore / Wan Meng Hao & Jacqueline Lau

Singapore: Marshall Cavendish International (Asia) Pte. Ltd., 2009

248p. ; 22cm.

ISBN-13: 9789812618580

1. Historic buildings – Singapore
2. Historic sites – Singapore
3. Singapore – History

\$ 22.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=123053>

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A Great Betrayal?: The Fall of Singapore Revisited  
Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2009  
xiii. 278p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814276269

1. World War, 1939-1945 – Campaigns – Singapore
2. World War, 1939-1945 – Campaigns – Malay Peninsula
3. Singapore – History – Siege, 1942

\$ 25.00

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In the Shadow of the Rising Sun / Mary Thomas

Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2009

224p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9789812618597

1. Thomas – Mary, 1906-
2. World War, 1939-1945 – Personal narratives, English
3. World War, 1939-1945 – Prisoners and prisons, Japanese
4. Prisoners of war – Singapore – Biography
5. Prisoners of war – England – Biography

\$ 16.00

This is a true story of how a young Englishwoman spent three and a half years under the watchful eyes of the Japanese. Through the various difficulties and trials of internment, Mary recorded in a diary the sufferings and little joys of her fellow internees, and the surprising kindness, bravery and redemption shown by many of them. Her reflections, optimistic and sensitive, celebrate the strength of the human will to survive and to love even in the darkest of times.

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## Literature

Telltale: Eleven Stories / Gwee Li Sui (Edited)

Singapore: Ethos Books : National Arts Council Singapore, 2010

256p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810861520

1. Short stories, Singaporean (English)

\$ 19.90

This anthology of short fiction presents six distinct electrifying voices from Singapore. Alfian bin Sa'at, Wena Poon, JeffreyLim, Tan Mei Ching, Claire Tham & Dave Chua. The modern tales they tell are graphic, gritty, striking, and evocative. They describe experiences marked by short happiness and haunting memories, from the death of a loved one to the menacing forces of nature.

The eleven stories showcased here examine the lives of an array of complex characters. These individuals are tormented by dilemmas that nonetheless go on to shape and direct them. Telltale is an artfully sequenced collection that also includes explanatory notes and a study guide. It stands out as an informative and enriching edition that will speak to a broad range of readers today.

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And Words: Poems Singapore and Beyond / Edwin Thumboo (Edited)

Singapore: Ethos Books, 2010

264p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810863210

1. Singaporean poetry (English)

\$ 22.00

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The Sacred Hill / Joan Yap

Singapore: Joan Yap, 2010

84p. ; 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810842468

\$ 11.00

Seven hundred years ago, Sang Nila Utama stepped on the shores of a forgotten sea town called Temasek. It was believed that he saw a lion and named the island Singapura, the Lion City. Henceforth, Sang Nila Utama and his descendants, the legendary five kings of Singapura ruled the kingdom from a palace on Bukit Larangan, the Forbidden Hill.

Who was Sang Nila Utama? Where did he come from? Did he actually see a lion? Why did the kingdom come to an end? What happened to the last king?

The Sacred Hill gives a fresh view of the myths and legends of Singapore.

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Those Who Can't, Teach: A Play / Haresh Sharma

Singapore: Epigram Books, 2010

xv. 108p. ; 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810855109

1. Teachers – Singapore – Drama
2. Students – Singapore – Drama
3. Education – Singapore – Drama

\$ 11.00

Those Who Can't, Teach turns the spotlight on the madcap lives of teachers and students in a typical secondary school in Singapore. As the teachers struggle daily to nurture and groom, the students prefer to hang out and "chillax". With upskirting and facebooking, griping and politicking, school takes on a whole new meaning as the colourful characters struggle to prove that those who can, teach.

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If We Dream Too Long / Goh Poh Seng

Singapore: NUS Press, 2010

xlvii. 155p. ; 22cm.

ISBN-13: 9789971694456

1. Youth – Singapore – History – 20<sup>th</sup> century – Fiction
2. Singapore – History – 1965-1990 – Fiction
3. Singapore – Social conditions – 20<sup>th</sup> century – Fiction

\$ 20.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=123060>

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Rice Bowl / Suchen Christine Lim  
Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2009  
First published in 1984 by Times Books International  
242p. ; 20cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789812618962  
Winner of the First Singapore Literature Prize  
\$ 12.00

A Powerful Story of young love and idealism set in Singapore in the 1960s, a time of political uncertainties and economic insecurity.

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The Claire Tham Collection  
Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2010  
438p. ; 22cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789814302838  
\$ 22.00

Well-known in Singapore's literary circles, Claire Tham brings together twenty-one short stories from three classic collections, each reflecting her prowess as a storyteller whose deft hands mould stories to articulate her signature themes of rebellion and non-conformity. Lauded for her technical innovation of style and form in prose, these stories play with the presentation of time and space in the progression of narratives, creating multi-layered possibilities to keep readers entranced till the very last page

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Skimming / Claire Tham  
Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2010  
318p. ; 20cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789814302845  
1. Triangles (Interpersonal relations) – Fiction  
2. Man-woman relationships – Fiction  
\$ 16.00

Wai Keong and Li have the perfect relationship – familiar, proper, safe. Until David steps in, overturning their carefully ordered worlds.

With searing honesty, multiple award winner Claire tHam renders an uncommon love story from the three characters' points of view, pitting polished surfaces against painful depths, the comfort zone against alien space and the surrender to duty against the seduction of desire. Up close, the distinctions are no longer clear ...

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Sounds and Sins of Singlish and Other Nonsense / Rex Shelley  
Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2009  
179p. ; 19cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789814276313  
1. English language – Singapore – Usage  
2. English language – Variation – Singapore  
\$ 12.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=123064>

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## Official Publications

Yearbook of Statistics Singapore 2009  
42<sup>nd</sup> Edition  
Singapore: Department of Statistics, 2009  
xv. 307p. ; 30cm.  
ISSN: 0583-3655  
\$ 20.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122873>

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Singapore: Report of the Auditor-General for the Financial Year 2009/10  
Singapore: Auditor-General Office, 2010  
ii. 36p. ; 25cm.  
ISSN: 0129-962X  
\$ 12.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122868>

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Singapore: Report of the Auditor-General for the Financial Year 2008/09  
Singapore: Auditor-General Office, 2009  
ii. 40p. ; 25cm.  
ISSN: 0129-962X  
\$ 12.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122867>

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Singapore Standard Industrial Classification 2010  
Singapore: Department of Statistics, 2009  
v. 392p. ; 30cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789810852054  
\$ 25.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122881>

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Singapore: The Revenue and Expenditure Estimates for the Financial Year 2009/2010  
Singapore: Ministry of Finance, 2009  
xvii. 425p. ; 30cm.  
ISSN: 0129-4679  
\$ 150.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122888>

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Singapore: The Revenue and Expenditure Estimates for the Financial Year 2010/2011  
Singapore: Ministry of Finance, 2010  
ISSN: 0129-4679  
\$ 150.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122890>

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Economic Survey of Singapore 2009  
Singapore: Ministry of Trade and Industry, 2010  
iv. 162p. ; 30cm.  
ISSN: 0376-8791  
\$ 43.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122891>

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## **Politics**

Singapore Version 2.0: Alternative Proposals for a Better Singapore / Gerald Giam

Singapore: Gerald Giam, 2010

ISBN-13: 9789810852740

1. Giam, Gerald, 1977- - Blogs
2. Giam, Gerald, 1977- - Political and social views
3. Singapore – Politics and government – 21<sup>st</sup> century
4. Singapore – Social conditions – 21<sup>st</sup> century

\$ 20.00

Singapore version 2.0 is a comprehensive take on the important public issues of the day. Written with heartfelt honesty and candour, it examines and offers refreshing perspectives on the issues that affect Singaporeans. Author Gerald Giam also relates his personal journey from being a civil servant to a blogger and political party activist. This book promises to be an important contribution to the burgeoning public discourse in Singapore.

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Asia Alone: The Dangerous Post-Crisis Divide from America / Simon S. C. Tay

Singapore: John Wiley & Sons (Asia) Pte. Ltd., 2010

xvi. 206p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9780470825822

\$ 32.00

Asia divided from America. This is something many hope will not happen. Some deny it is happening at all. But such a division is increasingly probable. In this lucidly written and thought-provoking book, author Simon Tay highlights the accelerating trends that point to Asia increasingly forging its own path, without America. He also describes the fundamental changes and new policy directions required to avoid this outcome and move the relationship forward.

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## **Sociology**

Six Degrees of Expatriation: Uncovering the Lives of Expats in Singapore / Maida Pineda

Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2009

208p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814276672

1. Aliens – Singapore – Anecdotes
2. Aliens – Singapore – Social life and customs
3. Singapore – Social life and customs

\$ 16.00

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## **Travel Guidebooks**

In Singapore: 60 Fabulous Adventures in the City / Marianne Rogerson

Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2009

286p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789812618733

1. Singapore – Guidebooks

\$ 25.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=123069>

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