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Art

Natee Utarit: After Painting
Singapore: Singapore Art Museum, 2009
170p. ; 29cm.
ISBN-13: 9789810866921 (HB)
Credit Suisse: Innovation In Art Series
\$ 55.00
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128513>

Ye Jian Qing
Singapore : iPreciation, 2010
102p.
978-981-08-6303-6
\$ 38.50

The oeuvre of contemporary artist Ye Jian Qing (b. 1972) is presented in this volume which complemented his 2010 Beijing exhibition "Reflection of the Mind". After two introductory essays, one section shows some 50 paintings related to Beijing's fast-disappearing hutongs or traditional residential alleys. The second section, called the Bodhisattva series, presents paintings and murals from the artist's ongoing explorations into the significance of the deity Guan Yin. Biographical chronology. Bilingual in Chinese.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128514>

Phenomena & Prophecies / Manit Sriwanichpoom
Singapore: Singapore Art Museum, 2010
138p. ; 18 x 25cm.
ISBN-13: 9789810866938
Bilingual English & Thai Language
\$ 18.00

Manit Sriwanichpoom's photographs deal with themes of consumerism and other Thai social and political issues through his strategies of critical documentation, as well as staged satirical compositions of the state of Thai society today. The myriad appearances or phenomena that his works conjure, reflect the artist's belief in the power of brutal truths, which surfaces at times in the form of painful prophecies. They also highlight his peculiar artistic role as one that treads on the thin line between merely recording and purposefully composing history, at a time where even historical narratives are not exempt from mass media constructions.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128515>

Ramayana in Focus: Visual and Performing Arts of Asia / Gauri Parimoo Krishnan
Singapore: Asian Civilisations Museum, 2010

231p. ; 32cm.

Includes index

ISBN-13: 9789810859718

1. Valmiki, Ramayana – Illustrations
2. Valmiki – Adaptations
3. Rama (Hindu deity) – Art
4. Arts, Asian

\$ 65.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122288>

Architecture

Singapore Transcripts / (Ed) Erik G. L'Heureux

Singapore: Centre for Advanced Studies in Architecture, National University of Singapore, 2010

237p.

978-981-08-6672-3

\$ 35.00

This is a graphical compendium of architectural research, information, data, propositions and drawings pertaining to the Singaporean Landscape.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128516>

Business

Making Prints on Cement: The Cherie Hearts Success Story / William Koh

Singapore: Cengage Learning Asia Pte. Ltd., 2011

x. 128p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814319256

\$ 28.00

The book discusses how Sam and Gurchran's motivation and drive transformed Cherie Hearts into a childcare powerhouse. It also examines the importance of effective human resource management in a small-medium enterprise and how having the right organizational structure and culture is essential to support business growth.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=127586>

Socially Responsible & Sustainable: Corporate Social Responsibility in Singapore: Company Perspectives and Experiences / Evelyn S Wong (Edited)

Singapore: Straits Times Press, 2011

222p. ; 22cm.

Includes bibliographical references

ISBN-13: 9789814266734

1. Social responsibility of Business – Singapore – Case studies
2. Sustainable development – Singapore – Case studies

\$ 25.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128517>

Brand Singapore: How Nation Branding Built Asia's Leading Global City / Koh Buck Song
Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Business, 2011
205p. ; 20cm.

Includes bibliographical references and index

ISBN-13: 9789814328159

1. Place marketing – Singapore
2. National characteristics, Singaporean
3. Branding (Marketing) – Singapore

\$ 25.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128518>

Cookery

Heritage Feasts: A Collection of Singapore Family Recipes / Joyceline Tully & Christopher Tan

Singapore: Miele Pte. Ltd., 2010

217p. ; 29cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810874001 (HB)

\$ 65.00

This cookbook focuses on how heritage food forms an indelible link between one's sense of history and one's sense of family. Through vivid life stories of 30 prominent personalities who have, in different ways, made significant contributions to Singapore and 59 heritage recipes shared by them, Heritage Feasts highlights that, by learning and passing on your own family's treasured dishes, you too are helping to strengthen and extend the fine threads of history and family.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128519>

Economics

The Cambodia Forum

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing, 2011

ix. 59p. ; 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814311380

1. Cambodia – Economic conditions – Congresses
2. Cambodia – Economic policy – Congresses

\$ 15.90

Cambodia was once in the news for all the wrong reasons: relentless bombing during the Vietnam War, genocide during the Khmer Rouge era, and the ghastly human dislocation, misery, and poverty that are the legacies of war and conflict. In recent years, however, Cambodia has emerged as one of ASEAN's stories of hope, a country determined to put its past behind it and take its place among the emerging successes of Southeast Asia. To capture the new mood, the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS) in Singapore and the Cambodian Institute for Cooperation and Peace (CICP) organized a one-day Cambodia Forum on 23 April 2010 at the Conrad Centennial, Singapore to examine the key sectors in Cambodia's developmental thrust. Cambodian leaders, policymakers, and academics looked at the role of governance in creating the thrust; the economic strategy needed to sustain that thrust; the role of investment and business policy; the human resources policy necessary for sustained economic growth; and the role of energy and the environment. Addressing a host of issues under these broad areas, the forum participants provided an insider's view of how Cambodia could leverage on its strengths to move into a new era. The

Keynote Address also analyses the state of bilateral relations between Cambodia and Singapore.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128520>

Education

Education in Vietnam / Jonathan D. London

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing, 2011

xii. 341p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814279055

1. Education – Vietnam – Congresses

Vietnam Update Series

\$ 39.90

Vietnam is a country on the move. Yet contemporary Vietnam's education system is at a crossroads. Rapid economic growth has permitted rapid increases in the scale and scope of formal schooling, but there is a prevailing sense that the current education system is inadequate to the country's needs. Sunny assessments of Vietnam's achievements in the sphere of education have given way to a realization that the country lacks skilled workers. Some have even spoken of an "education crisis". These are not abstract concerns. What is occurring in Vietnam's education system today has broad implications for the country's social, political, economic, and cultural development.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128521>

General

On a Street in Singapore: A Comic View of Singapore / James Suresh

Singapore: Training Plus Int'l Pte. Ltd., 2010

142p. ; 15 x 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810870461

\$ 12.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128522>

Essential Asian Words of Wisdom / Steven Howard (Edited)

Singapore: Talisman Publishing Pte. Ltd., 2011

vii. 135p. ; 17cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810862985

\$ 15.00

Words are the building blocks of cultures, societies, and individuals. People from around the world have long turned to the writings and thoughts of Asia's leading thinkers for insights on personal development, spiritual growth, virtue, success, and the need for the continuous cultivation of knowledge...

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128523>

Seafreight Forwarding: The Practitioner's Definitive Guide / The Singapore Logistics Association with Rachel Henwood in consultation with Tan Tee Hwa
3rd Edition

Singapore: Straits Times Press, 2010

204p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814266611

1. Shipping
2. Ships – Cargo
3. Maritime law
4. Freight and freightage – Management
5. Shipping – Security measures

Guides to International Logistics

\$ 25.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128524>

Love and Compassion / Sandra Choo; With Paintings by Martin See Tho

Singapore : Sandra Choo, 2010

209p.

978-981-08-5913-8

\$ 19.90

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128525>

History

Malay Heritage of Singapore / Dr. Kamsiah Abdullah, Dr. Muhd Ariff Ahmad et al

Singapore: SUNTREE MEDIA PTE LTD., 2010

236p. ; 31cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810860295 (HB)

\$ 79.50

This book aims to provide a substantive account of major aspects of Malay life in Singapore, drawing upon a rich history and regional ethnic cultures that shaped the Malay community. Researched essays provide valuable insights into important moments in Malay history while other chapters describe the rich cultural achievements of the Malays.

In Singapore's ancient history, Malay life may be traced as far back as the 7th to 11th centuries, during the Sri Vijaya period, and to the Majapahit empire in the 14th century. The book also charts the progression of the Malay community through colonial times, war and political strife in the 19th and 20th centuries.

The early settlers were engaged in trade and politics and set up the old port town in the Kampong Gelam, Rochor and Kallang area, bringing with them many sub-cultures from their original homes in island Southeast Asia. Among them came the Javanese, Bugis, Boyanese, Minangs, Banjaris and many other ethnic groups that enriched the tapestry of Malay life with literary and folkloric influences, visual arts, decorative and architectural styles, beliefs and rituals, family structure and traditions, village and community life, and past-times and entertainment. Over time, independence and nationhood, the Malay community thrived alongside other migrant communities in Singapore, its rich heritage a part of the nation's cultural assets today.

The book is lavishly illustrated with more than 556 maps, photographs and other illustrative materials to enhance each of the 16 chapters.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128526>

The Adventures of the Mad Chinaman: Dick Lee
Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Edition, 2011
339p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9789812326027

1. Lee, Dick, 1956-
2. Composers – Singapore – Biography
3. Singers – Singapore – Biography

\$ 18.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128527>

The Grant Saint of Singapore: The Life of Habib Nuh bin Muhammad Al-Habshi / Muhammad
Ghouse Khan Surattee & The Outreach Unit of Al'Firdaus Mosque

Singapore: Masjid Al'Firdaus, 2008

63p. ; 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810806392

\$ 15.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128528>

Colony, Nation, and Globalisation: Not at Home in Singaporean and Malaysian Literature /
Eddie Tay

Singapore: NUS Press, 2011

viii. 165p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789971695439

1. Great Britain – Colonies – Asia
2. Malaya – History
3. Malaysia – History
4. Singapore – History

\$ 26.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128529>

Reporter: Forty Years Covering Asia / John McBeth

Singapore: Talisman Publishing Pte Ltd., 2011

xii. 372p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810873646 (HB)

\$ 39.50

Reporter is an account of John McBeth's 40 year journey through Asia, more than half of
that time as a correspondent for the Far Eastern Economic Review, the venerable magazine
long regarded as the region's English language Bible on political and economic affairs.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128530>

Three Burgees: A History of the Republic of Singapore Yacht Club / Peter Dunlop

Singapore: Republic of Singapore Yacht Club, 2010

223p. ; 30cm.

Includes bibliographical references and index

ISBN-13: 9789814266635 (HB)

1. Republic of Singapore Yacht Club – History
2. Yacht clubs – Singapore – History
3. Yachting – Singapore – History

\$ 90.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128531>

Our Homes: 50 Years of Housing a Nation / Warren Fernandez
Singapore: Straits Times Press, 2011
248p. ; 32cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814266741 (HB)

1. Singapore Housing and Development Board – History
2. Public Housing – Singapore – History
3. Planned communities – Singapore

\$ 70.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128532>

Literature

The Hills of Singapore: A landscape of loss, longing and love / Dawn Farnham
Singapore: Monsoon Books Pte. Ltd., 2011
325p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810854331

1. Scots – Singapore – 19th century – Fiction
2. Women – Singapore – 19th century – Fiction

\$ 21.00

Young, beautiful and wealthy, widow Charlotte Macleod leaves Batavia in the 1850s and returns to Singapore for the English education of her two young sons. She is determined not to be drawn back into a secret affair with Zhen, the married Chinese merchant, triad-member and man she loves who is, unbeknownst to him, the father of her elder son, Alex. Charlotte is convinced she can find happiness in a respectable marriage with the attractive but reticent Captain Maitland. But when murder and death strike, Singapore erupts in the violence of triad wars and Zhen's growing affection for Alex gives cause for alarm, she must make some hard decisions, for her children and herself.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128533>

Sweet Offerings / Chan Ling Yap
Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2011
First published 2009 by IndePenPress Publishing Ltd., UK
345p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814328449

1. Malaya – History – Fiction

\$ 19.90

Sweet Offerings is not just a fictional story of the events that ripped one family apart, but a taste of Malaysia's historical, political and cultural changes during its transition from colonial rule to independence and beyond.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128534>

Coffee Shop : A Business thriller Set in Singapore / Daniel Ellsworth
Singapore : LCA Books, 2010
429p.

978-981-08-6279-4

1. Coffee Shops - Singapore - Fiction
2. Chain Restaurants - Singapore - Fiction
3. Businessmen - Singapore - Fiction

\$ 25.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128535>

Bangkok Free Fall / Richard Stevenson
Singapore: Monsoon Books Pte. Ltd., 2010
First published in 2009 by MLR Press, Albion, New York
268p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810864095

1. Strachey, Donald (Fictitious character) – Fiction
2. Private investigators – New York (State) – Albany – Fiction
3. Gay men – Fiction
4. Bangkok (Thailand) – Fiction

\$ 19.90

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128536>

Museum Studies

Museum-Community Partnerships: The Role of ASEAN Museums in the 21st Century / Heidi Tan (Editor)

Singapore: National Heritage Board, 2010

167p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810405694

\$ 19.90

Over the past 30 years, museums around the world have increasingly recognized the importance of understanding and engaging the communities they represent. Public accountability and sustainability are motivating factors for this, but fundamentally it is the recognition that museums are essential for the well-being of society, which has strengthened these relations. In the age of globalization, museum – community partnerships are even more imperative.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128537>

Official Publications

Public Housing in Singapore: Well-Being of Communities, Families and the Elderly: HDB Sample Household Survey 2008

Singapore: Housing & Development Board (HDB), 2010

xxii. 194p. ; 30cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810851118

\$ 25.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128538>

Public Housing in Singapore: Residents' Profile, Housing Satisfaction and Preferences: HDB Sample Household Survey 2008

Singapore: Housing & Development Board (HDB), 2010

xxii. 128p. ; 30cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810851095

\$ 25.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128539>

Politics/International Relations

Asian Maritime Power in the 21st Century: Strategic Transactions: China, India and Southeast Asia / Vijay Sakhuja

Singapore: Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, 2011

xv, 362p.

Includes Index

978-981-4311-09-0

1. Sea Power – Asia – 21st Century
2. Asia – Strategic Aspects
3. Southeast Asia – Strategic aspects

\$ 39.90

Maritime power has been a key defining parameter of economic vitality and geostrategic power of nations. The first decade of the twenty-first century has witnessed the rise of China and India as confident economic powers pivoting on high growth rates and exponential expansion of science, technology and industrial growth. Sequel to their steadily growing economic clout has been the emphatic resurgence of their maritime power evident in maritime shipping, port development and the concomitant expansion of naval power.

Dr Vijay Sakhuja, a former Indian Navy officer, in this pioneering study has splendidly elucidated and examined the resurgence of Asian naval power and its political-diplomatic, economic-commercial, science-technological-industrial, grand-strategic and operational-doctrinal dimensions. Using a neorealist framework, the author provides robust and insightful analysis of how China and India as great powers, using their maritime military capabilities, would evolve and act in global affairs."

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128540>

Sociology

The Health Care Dilemma: A Comparison of Health Care Systems in Three European Countries and the US / Elizabeth G Armstrong, Martin R Fischer, Ramin W Parsa-Parsi & Miriam S Wetzel

Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2011

xix. 443p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814313971

\$ 48.00

The Health Care Dilemma should be of interest to local and international health care constituencies, including leaders of health care delivery networks, academic professionals, students, and government and ministerial authorities globally with interest in health care systems and policy development.

The patient case studies collected in this book provide first-hand accounts of health care delivery in multiple settings in a variety of national and local systems. These accounts, focusing on real experiences and real patients, transcend the rhetoric of political debate about health care delivery. The cases offer lessons for how we might draw on the virtues of other health care systems, understand strengths and shortcomings in our current system, and work toward potential improvements.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=128541>

Rebuilding the Ancestral Village: Singaporeans in China / Khun Eng Kuah-Pearce
2nd Edition

Hong Kong, Singapore: Hong Kong University Press/NUS Press, 2011
xvi. 279p. ; 23cm.

Includes bibliographical references and index

ISBN-13: 9789971695255

1. Chinese – Singapore
2. Singaporeans – China
3. Social values – China

\$ 29.95

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122375>

Cantonese Society in Hong Kong and Singapore: Gender, Religion, Medicine and Money /
Marjorie Topley; edited and introduced by Jean DeBernardi

Hong Kong, Singapore: Hong Kong University Press/NUS Press, 2011
xi. 609p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9789971695248 (HB)

1. Chinese – China – Hong Kong – Religion
2. Chinese – China – Hong Kong – Economic conditions
3. Medicine, Chinese – China – Hong Kong
4. Chinese – Singapore – Religion

\$ 65.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122149>

Women Studies

The Singapore Women's Charter: 50 Questions / Leong Wai Kum

Singapore : ISEAS, 2011

151p.

1. Women's Rights - Singapore

978-981-4311-07-6 (PB) \$ 16.90

978-981-4311-06-9 (HB) \$ 24.90

This book is a clear and concise guide to how the Women's Charter protects women and families in Singapore. It looks behind and beyond the word of the law to consider the effect and effectiveness of the statute. Undoubtedly the book is a useful tool for understanding how this legislation helps strengthen and preserve the Singapore family

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