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### Art

Convergence / Wei Leng Tay  
Singapore: National Arts Council, 2013  
1v. ; 23 x 28cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789810757625  
\$ 45.00 / HB  
956 gm.  
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Cocks / Ernest Goh  
Singapore: Wee Editions, 2013  
xii. 84p. ; 18cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789810756260  
\$ 21.90 / HB  
300 gm.

Reared and groomed by dedicated owners for participation in pageants, ornamental chickens, including the impressive Malaysian breed of Ayam Serama, project a natural and seemingly effortless charisma rivaling that of human models. Ernest Goh's award-winning portraits capture the full range of these beautiful birds' personalities; puffed chests, ruffled

plumage, bowed heads and all. By turns provocative, humorous and surprising, Cocks will move you to view our humble feathered friends in an entirely different light.

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Singapore Biennale 2013: If The World Changed

Singapore : Singapore Art Museum, 2013

9789810780265

\$ 55.00 / HB

Singapore Biennale 2013 features the works of 82 artists and artist collectives from the Southeast Asian region and beyond, with a 27-member curatorial team who, with their combined expertise, have harnessed the unique energies of Southeast Asia to shape the region's premier contemporary art exhibition. The focus of the Biennale also goes beyond the major metropolitan centres to present a greater diversity of artistic practices that reference urgent and key issues in our contemporary world.

The fully illustrated catalogue features curatorial write-ups on each of the 82 artworks, an introduction by art historian T. K. Sabapathy and an essay by Amitav Acharya. Shedding light on the collaborative curatorial process, the publication also includes creative textual and visual responses by the 27 curators that offers a cross-section of their diverse perspectives, strategies and approaches in curating "If the World Changed"

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## Economics/Development Studies

Singapore's National Wages Council : An Insider's View / Lim Chong Yah  
Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2014

xxxv. 397p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814525749

1. National Wages Council (Singapore)
2. Wages – Government policy – Singapore

\$ 42.00 / HB

758 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=158617>

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Architects of Growth? : Sub-national Governments and Industrialization in  
Asia / Francis E. Hutchinson (Editor)

Singapore: ISEAS Publications, 2014

xxv. 399p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814414531

1. Economic development – Political aspects – Asia
2. Subnational governments – Asia
3. Industrialization – Asia
4. Electronic industries – Asia

\$ 49.90 / PB

554 gm.

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The ASEAN Economic Community : A Work in Progress (PB) / Sanchita Basu Das ... et al (Editors)

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing, 2013

xxiv. 507p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814459822

1. Southeast Asia – Economic integration
2. Non-tariff trade barriers – Southeast Asia
3. Service industries – Southeast Asia
4. Investments – Southeast Asia
5. Competition – Southeast Asia – Law and legislation
6. Intellectual property – Southeast Asia
7. Conflict management – Southeast Asia
8. Customs unions – Southeast Asia
9. ASEAN

\$ 49.90 / PB

688 gm.

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The ASEAN Economic Community : A Work in Progress (HB) / Sanchita Basu Das ... et al (Editors)

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing, 2013

xxiv. 507p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814519014

1. Southeast Asia – Economic integration
2. Non-tariff trade barriers – Southeast Asia
3. Service industries – Southeast Asia
4. Investments – Southeast Asia
5. Competition – Southeast Asia – Law and legislation
6. Intellectual property – Southeast Asia
7. Conflict management – Southeast Asia
8. Customs unions – Southeast Asia
9. ASEAN

\$ 59.90 / HB

798 gm.

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ASEAN – Japan Relations / Takashi Shiraishi & Takaaki Kojima  
Singapore: ISEAS Publications, 2014

x. 294p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814519212

1. Southeast Asia – Foreign relations – Japan
2. Japan – Foreign relations – Southeast Asia
3. Southeast Asia – Foreign economic relations – Japan
4. Japan – Foreign economic relations – Southeast Asia
5. East Asia – Economic integration

\$ 32.90 / PB

394 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=158624>

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The Global Economy in Transition : Debt and Resource Scarcities / Jorgen  
Orstrom Moller

Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2013

xviii. 327p. ; 25cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814494861

1. Economics
2. Economic development
3. International trade
4. Debt
5. Scarcity

\$ 49.90 / HB

750 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=158122>

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## Environmental Studies

Probing hydrological urbanism : Cambodia / Singapore / [Erik G. L'Heureux, editor ; Baek So Mang ... [et al.].

Singapore : Department of Architecture, School of Design and Environment, National University of Singapore, 2010

264p.; ill., maps; 21cm.

9789810867225

\$ 32.00 / PB

Water Distribution Cambodia

Water Distribution Singapore

Water-supply Cambodia

Water-supply Singapore

City planning Environmental aspects Cambodia

City planning Environmental aspects Singapore

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## General

Praying to the Goddess of Mercy : A Memoir of Mood Swings / Mahita Vas  
Singapore: Monsoon Books Pte. Ltd., 2012

240p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814358910

1. Vas, Mahita – Mental health

2. Manic – Depressive persons – Singapore – Biography

\$ 16.00/ PB

210 gm.

A true story of a woman who battles bipolar disorder, survives a suicide attempt, flourishes in her career and raises a family in highly competitive Singapore.

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Rohtang Pass : A True Story of Faith, Friendship and Fortitude in the  
Himalayas / Pang Ningyi

Singapore: Genesis Books, 2012

xiv. 170p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814305938

1. Missionaries, Medical – India – Pir Panjal Range

2. Volunteer workers in medical care – India – Pir Panjal Range

\$ 18.00 / PB

264 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=158081>

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## History

The Role of Archives in Documenting a Shared Memory of the Cold War :  
Asia-Pacific Perspective, Proceedings of the Seminar held on 13-14 May  
2009

Singapore: National Archives of Singapore, 2010

148p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810853006

\$ 35.00 / PB

414 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=158641>

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The Swiss in Singapore / Andreas Zangger

Singapore: Editions Didier Millet Pte. Ltd., 2013

240p. ; 25cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814385688

\$ 39.90 / HB

1030 gm.

Since the founding of colonial Singapore, the Swiss have been active on  
the island, whether as traders, naturalists, or tourists fascinated by the

exoticism of the East. Discover the stories of Swiss-made sarongs, of Swiss Nobel laureate Hermann Hesse's time in Singapore and of the evolution of the longstanding Swiss Club from its early days as the Swiss Rifle Shooting Club. Historian Andreas Zangger also provides the background to the close economic and diplomatic relationship between the two countries today. This fascinating history is accompanied by an assortment of contemporary and archival images, photographs and documents. The Swiss in Singapore is the perfect guide to the past, present and potential of the small but important Swiss community in the country that is often described as the 'Switzerland of the East'.

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Pirates & Privateers in Mauritius / Denis Piat  
Singapore: Editions Didier Millet Pte. Ltd., 2013  
142p. ; 22cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789814385664  
\$ 32.95 / HB  
594 gm.

At the beginning of the 17th century, pirates infested the Caribbean waters, harassing the major European powers, but they were eventually driven from the region. Some pirates took refuge in Madagascar, where they attempted to capture the lucrative cargo carried by vessels on the shipping route of the European East India Companies. At the end of the 18th century, in order to weaken British influence in the Indian Ocean, France hired privateers to attack commercial ships of the British East India Company. This was an alternative to open warfare, and heralded the privateers' era. Denis Piat recounts the history of the pirates and privateers in the Indian Ocean, especially in Mauritius, from the pirates' arrival in the region to the wrecked ships still to be found today in deep water, and provides portraits of the most famous privateers among them.

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The Encyclopedia of the Sri Lankan Diaspora / Peter Reeves (General Editor)

Singapore: Editions Didier Millet Pte. Ltd., 2013

200p. ; 29cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814260831

\$ 50.00 / HB

1450 gm.

Well over a million people of Sri Lankan origin live outside South Asia. The Encyclopedia of the Sri Lanka Diaspora is the first comprehensive study of the lives, culture, beliefs and attitudes of immigrants and refugees from this island. The volume is a joint publication between the Institute of South Asian Studies, NUS, and Editions Didier Millet. It focuses on the relationship between culture and economy in the Sri Lanka diaspora in the context of globalisation, increased transnational culture flows and new communication technologies. In addition to the geographic mapping of the Sri Lanka diaspora in the various continents, thematic chapters include topics on "long distance nationalism", citizenship, Sinhala, Tamil and Burgher diaspora identities, religion and the spread of Buddhism, as well as the Sri Lankan cultural impact on other nations.

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Maps of Malaya and Borneo : Discovery, Statehood and Progress – The Collections of H.R.H. Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah and Dato' Richard Curtis / Frederic Durand

Singapore: Editions Didier Millet Sdn. Bhd. & Jugra Publication Sdn. Bhd. (Malaysia), 2013

264p. ; 28cm.

ISBN-13: 9789834477370

\$ 39.90 / HB

2110 gm.

This book, the first ever on historical maps of Malaya and Borneo, tells the story of discovery, exploration, political evolution and progress in the region through more than 160 original maps from the collections of H.R.H. Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah and Dato' Richard Curtis. These fascinating maps, dating from the 1500s to after Malaysia's formation in 1963, are reproduced in full colour with captions which highlight key features and provide insights into their creators and the maps' context.

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The Memoirs and Memorials of Jacques de Coutre : Security, Trade and Society in 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> – century Southeast Asia (HB) / Peter Borschberg (Editor)

Singapore: NUS Press, 2014

xxviii. 453p. ; 26cm.

ISBN-13: 9789971697839

1. Asia – Description and travel – Early works to 1800

2. Coutre, Jacques de, 1577–1640 – Travel – Asia

\$ 62.00 / HB

1110 gm.

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The Memoirs and Memorials of Jacques de Coutre : Security, Trade and Society in 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> – century Southeast Asia (PB) / Peter Borschberg (Editor)

Singapore: NUS Press, 2014

xxviii. 453p. ; 26cm.

ISBN-13: 9789971695286

1. Asia – Description and travel – Early works to 1800

2. Coutre, Jacques de, 1577–1640 – Travel – Asia

\$ 39.90 / PB

916 gm.

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My Father in His Suitcase : In Search of E.J.H. CORNER the Relentless  
Botanist / John K. Corner  
Singapore: Landmark Books Pte. Ltd., 2013  
xvi. 431p. ; 22cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789814189477  
\$ 32.00 / PB  
728 gm.

John Corner left home aged 19, never to see his father, EJH Corner, again. Edred John Henry Corner was Assistant Director of the Singapore Botanic Gardens and was instrumental in the creation of Bukit Timah Nature Reserve. During the Japanese Occupation, he safeguarded the scientific and cultural collections of Singapore but was branded as a collaborator. Post-war, he headed the UNESCO Amazon project, propounded The Durian Theory, and led key expeditions to Mt Kinabalu. After 46 years, John faces his father in a suitcase he leaves for him, resulting in an engaging biography of a scientist who put science even above his family.

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## Literature

The Dictator's Eyebrow / Cyril Wong  
Singapore : Ethos Books, 2013  
67p.;  
9789810769505  
\$ 12.00 / PB

Poems

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=158625>

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## Performing Arts

The Development of Cantonese Opera in Singapore / Tan Ooh Chye &  
Chew Chon Yan (Editors)

Singapore: The Chinese Opera Institute, 2013

x. 114p. ; 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810784959

\$ 16.00 / PB

174 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=158626>

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