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Art

The Deepest Blue : The Exhibition Publication / (Author) Deborah Emmanuel (et al.)
(Eds/Curators) Racy Lim & Joella Qingyu Kiu
Singapore: SAND Magazine and Object Lessons Space, 2018
72p.
9789811175282
\$ 22.00 / HB
224gm.

The Deepest Blue is an exhibition that blends history and contemporary art together by exploring water as a metaphor for mind's complexities. The four curated artists were paired up with a historical artist, and created works that are inspired by, or in response to, the works of Virginia Woolf, Frida Kahlo, Helen Frankenthaler or Zelda Fitzgerald. In bringing together the past and the present, the exhibition hopes to show a continuity and normalcy about mental health struggles. At the heart of the exhibition are four water-based themes — drowning, floating, rippling and respite — that correspond to how Woolf, Kahlo, Frankenthaler and Fitzgerald have discussed their experience in their works. The show moves away from a white cube gallery display to create an emotive and immersive space for viewer to reach deep into their own definitions of mental health.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456871>

Minimalism : Space. Light. Object / (Eds) Eugene Tan & Russell Storer
Singapore: National Gallery Singapore, 2018

280p.

9789811166808

\$ 55.00 / HB

1680gm.

Minimalism: Space, Light, Object. is an expansive global survey of the movement's influential language of reductive forms, from its Abstract Expressionist colour-field antecedents to Post-Minimalism, and how it continues to speak to artists today. In this timely re-evaluation, the contemporaneous Mono-ha movement, as well as experimentation in video, sound and performance are brought to bear on the Minimalist canon. This richly illustrated exhibition catalogue features essays by the exhibition curators and international contributors, along with conversations with artists, opening up a forum for contemporary readings of this dynamic, multivalent and pivotal movement.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456872>

Lim Cheng Hoe : Painting Singapore / (Ed) Loh Sze Wee (et al.)

Singapore: National Gallery Singapore, 2018

160p.

9789811168253

\$ 50.00 / HB

924gm.

Lim Cheng Hoe stands apart from most of Singapore's first-generation artists in many regards. He grew up and was educated in Singapore, and is considered a self-taught artist in the watercolour tradition. His ardour and discipline as a painter merge in his evocative portrayals of light and life in Singapore. In this catalogue, an anthology of out-of-print writings cast the existing body of scholarship on Lim into relief, while newly commissioned essays illumine his practice as a largely self-taught plein-air painter.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408457>

President's Young Talents 2018 / (Ed) Joyce Toh (et al.)
Singapore: Singapore Art Museum, 2018
153p.
9789811194757
\$ 25.00 / PB
458gm.

The President's Young Talents exhibition and awards series is Singapore's premier mentoring and commissioning programme. Inaugurated by the Singapore Art Museum in 2001, it recognises young Singaporean artists whose practices chart new dimensions in contemporary art. President's Young Talents 2018 is the seventh edition of the series, and features new commissions from Yanyun Chen, Weixin Quek Chong, Debbie Ding, Hilmi Johandi and Zarina Muhammad. This catalogue features a dedicated section for each of the five finalists; it includes interviews or essays by the artists' mentors, the curator's illustrated reflections on each artist's working process, and statements from the artists on new commissions and past works, offering insight into the practices of Singapore's most exciting and visionary young artists.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456876>

Biography

Always A Commando : The Life of Singapore Army Pioneer Clarence Tan / Thomas A. Squire (Foreword) Teo Chee Hean, Deputy Prime Minister

Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions (Marshall Cavendish International), 2017

288p.

Includes Bibliography

9789814779319

1. Tan, Clarence, 1941-
2. Singapore. Armed Forces – Officers – Biography
3. Malaysia. Tentera Darat – Officers – Biography
4. Singapore. Armed Forces - History

\$ 22.00 / PB

378gm.

Best known for his role in helping to establish the Singapore Armed Forces Commando Formation and as the unit's first commanding officer, Lieutenant-Colonel (Retired) Clarence Tan was born on his family's rubber plantation, just ten months before the Japanese invasion of British Malaya in 1941. As with those of his generation, his life spans the dramatic, often tumultuous years of Singapore's evolution from a primarily rural British colony to the world class cosmopolis it is today.

From leading a platoon during racial riots in Singapore to searching for communist insurgents and Indonesian infiltrators in the jungles of Malaysia during the Emergency and the Confrontation, LTC (Rtd) Tan was part of both the British and Malaysian armies before becoming a pioneer officer in Singapore's defence force.

For as surely as there are makers of history, there are those too who are made by history. Always A Commando is at once a compelling chronicle of one man's life from kampong kid to red beret and a rich evocation of the country he served through turbulent and uncertain times.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=384803>

Life In Plastic / Woffles Wu
Singapore: Straits Times Press Pte Ltd, 2018
272p.
9789814827010

1. Wu, Woffles, 1960-
 2. Plastic surgeons – Singapore – Biography
- \$ 28.00 / PB
432gm.

In this entertaining and often touching memoir, well-known plastic surgeon Woffles Wu lifts the lid on his early childhood, his growing-up years in London and his life as a young doctor in Singapore. He also writes about his role models in life, going on a remarkable “US tour” to talk about plastic surgery, what it is like being famous, and much, much more. The book has a 24-page photo insert with many never-before-seen photos of Woffles from the time he was a baby up to the present.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422026>

A Reward Beyond Description : Treasured Recollections of a Dedicated Teacher / Lee Gek Kim

Singapore: Armour Publishing, 2018
xvi, 256p.
9789814807357

1. Lee, Gek Kim
 2. Teachers – Singapore – Biography
 3. Teacher – student relationships – Singapore – Biography
 4. Teaching – Singapore – Biography.
- \$ 25.00 / PB
372gm.

In a teaching career spanning a period of over 50 years, Mrs Lee Gek Kim has motivated numerous students to excel in the subjects she taught and others to discover the potential they had. Mrs Lee shares the secrets of her success as an educator and reveals the joys and learning experiences she has had as well as the wonderful friendships that she has gained with her students. As someone who has a great impact on her students' lives, she continues to keep in contact with many students who organise regular gatherings with her. Her memoir demonstrates how teaching can be a fulfilling experience.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422027>

Girls Can't Be In The Mafia : A Memoir / Danielle West
Singapore: Epigram Books Pte Ltd., 2018

248p.

9789814785952

1. West, Danielle
2. West, Danielle Childhood and youth
3. Women martial artists – Singapore – Biography
4. Mixed martial arts – Singapore.

\$ 22.00 / PB

372gm.

Morbidly funny and inspiring, Danielle West's memoir is heart-breakingly honest about her years of angst and escape. Getting away from her dysfunctional family was Danielle's one mission as a child in America. After a stint of homelessness, she becomes a dominatrix and a go-go dancer, a soap-maker and a professional MMA fighter in London, a digital marketer and a novelist—all before stepping foot in Singapore, where she has made her home.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422030>

Finding Happiness against the odds : The extraordinary journey of conquering cerebral palsy / Wesley Wee

Singapore: Wesley Wee, 2017

viii, 56p.

9789811139307

\$ 18.00 / PB

132gm.

A cerebral palsy patient's story of sufferings, faith, hope & courage.

Despite being born with Cerebral Palsy & an abusive childhood, this did not stop Wesley from chasing his dreams & finding true love.

(Note: All stories written in the book are typed by Wesley using his foot)

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456877>

Sidek Sanif : Life Reflections at Eighty / (Ed) Ibrahim Tahir

Singapore: OPUS Editorial Pte Ltd., 2018

256p.

9789811176999

1. Sidek bin Sanif
2. Sidek bin Sanif – Childhood and youth
3. Educators – Singapore – Biography
4. Politicians – Singapore – Biography

\$ 60.00 / HB

984gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456879>

Cookbooks

Bekwoh : Stories and Recipes from Peninsula Malaysia's East Coast / Bryan Koh (Ed)

Meena Mylvaganam

Singapore: Xochipilli, 2018

258p.

9789811162282

\$ 39.90 / PB

810gm.

In his third book, Bryan turns his attention to the food of the Malaysian Peninsula's east coast, comprising the states of Kelantan, Terengganu and Pahang. Researched and written over the span of two years, Bekwoh is a journey, from the fishing villages of Terengganu where keropok lekor is made, to Kota Bharu's famous central market with its giddy selection of kuih (local snacks), from the border town of Tumpat for khao jam to the lemang and rendang shacks in Pahang. It also touches on the daily and festive foods of the Peranakan Chinese communities in Kelantan and Terengganu.

Essentially an East Coast term for vast cooking vessels, Bekwoh suggests abundance, big-heartedness and merriment, and that is what Bryan serves up, with a collection of over 100 recipes. There are traditional breakfast dishes, such as laksam (wide rice noodles with coconut fish gravy) and nasi berlauk (rice with turmeric and galangal fish curry); salads of noni leaves and fern fiddleheads with blood cockles; curries, such as opor daging Pahang (a deep, dark beef curry) and kerutuk (curries thickened with roasted coconut); Peranakan staples like kay choo budu (chicken cooked with fermented fish sauce), and kay pachok (grilled, redly spiced chicken skewers); splendid rice dishes like nasi kerabu (blue-tinted rice with an assortment of dishes, herbs and sambals) and nasi dagang (coconut and fenugreek rice with mackerel tuna curry); and a lavish spread of sweet treats, including the poetically titled cek mek molek ("beautiful lady") and the curious-sounding lompat tikam ("jump and stab").

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422032>

Keto East : A Ketogenic Lifestyle : Cooking Asian / Kelly Tan Peterson & Dan Peterson, M.D
Singapore: Cooking Inspired By Love, LLC, 2018

248p.

9780986097638

\$ 40.00 / PB

886gm.

Food is Love. American-Singaporean Kelly knew this as a child eating her family's Asian dishes. However, food became a nightmare in her twenties as she battled a yo-yo weight gain that escalated into self-loathing for 18 years. Discovering low carb high fat (LCHF) Ketogenic eating lifestyle from her husband doctor Dan, she returned to love: in her marriage, with her food, and ultimately with herself. Keto East honors her favorite delicious childhood recipes, which Kelly offers up Keto style. Rarely is a cookbook such an emotional journey, Kelly's love story will inspire anyone that has struggled or struggles with food and their weight to live KETO, enjoying delicious and satisfying comfort foods while reclaiming their health and self-esteem.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408463>

Economics

The Future of Philippine Agriculture under a Changing Climate: Policies, Investments and Scenarios / Mark W. Rosegrant, Mercedita A. Sombilla

Singapore : ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute with NEDA/CCAFS/PIM, 2018

590p.

9789814818353

\$ 45.00 / PB

The Philippine economy has grown rapidly since 2010, but despite this growth, poverty and inequality remain high. Two-thirds of the poor live in rural areas, and the weak performance of the agriculture sector has contributed to the slow improvement in livelihoods. The challenge for agriculture will further increase, with climate change posing a growing threat to the sector. But agricultural transformation to spur sustained growth and reduce poverty is still possible under climate change with aggressive institutional reforms and implementation of the right mix of policies and programmes. The identification of the suitable policy and programme combination requires an accurate assessment of the key drivers of agricultural growth and food security; the impacts of climate change on agriculture and the overall economy; and the effectiveness of policies for adaptation and growth.

This book addresses these big issues, focusing on enhancing the adaptation capacity of the Philippine agriculture sector. It is designed to provide a much-needed base of knowledge and menu of policy options to support decision- and policymaking on agriculture, climate change, and food security. The volume uses newly generated data, modelling outputs, and innovative analyses to provide a scientific basis for a variety of adaptation measures under different sets of climate change scenarios to guide decision-makers in strategic planning and policy formulation.

Co-published with the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), the Philippines / CGIAR Research Programs on Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security (CCAFS) and Policies, Institutions, and Markets (PIM).

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=443818>

The Philippine Economy : No Longer the East Asian Exception? / (Eds) Ramon L. Clarete, Emmanuel F. Esguerra & Hal Hill

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute), 2018

xxxvi, 440p.

Includes Index

9789814786508

1. Philippine – Economic conditions – 1946-1986
2. Philippine – Economic conditions – 1986-
3. Poverty – Philippines
4. Infrastructure (Economics) – Philippines
5. Urbanization – Philippines
6. Education – Philippines
7. Public health – Philippines
8. Philippines – Environmental conditions
9. Energy security – Philippines
10. Investments – Philippines
11. Philippines – Politic and government – 1986-

\$ 39.90 / PB

594gm.

In this volume, a leading group of scholars pose a question: has the Philippine economy rejoined the dynamic East Asian mainstream and, if so, what set of policies and priorities are required to maintain the strong economic momentum of recent years? Successive chapters address issues related to growth and poverty, infrastructure and urbanization, education, health, the environment, energy, development finance, and governance and institutions. The book has been written with a broad audience in mind. First and foremost it is for readers in, and interested in, this fascinating and important country with a population that now exceeds a hundred million. Second, it will appeal to those in the broader development community with an interest in the analytical and policy challenges that democratic, middle-income countries face as they struggle to lift their citizens out of poverty and to achieve broad-based and environmentally sustainable growth.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422033>

Beyond Debt : Islamic experiments in global finance / Daromir Rudnycky
Singapore: NUS Press, 2019

viii, 264p.

Includes Index

9789813250123

1. Finance, Public – Malaysia
2. Finance, Public – Islamic countries
3. Finance – Religious aspects – Islam
4. Bonds (Islamic law) – Islamic countries
5. Debt equity conversion – Islamic countries.

\$ 29.90 / PB

402gm.

Book Details:

Recent economic crises have made the centrality of debt, and the instability it creates, increasingly apparent. This realization has led to cries for change-yet there is little popular awareness of possible alternatives. Beyond Debt describes efforts to create a transnational economy free of debt. Based on ethnographic fieldwork in Malaysia, Daromir Rudnycky illustrates how the state, led by the central bank, seeks to make the country's capital Kuala Lumpur "the New York of the Muslim world"-the central node of global financial activity conducted in accordance with Islam. Rudnycky shows how Islamic financial experts have undertaken ambitious experiments to create more stable economies and stronger social solidarities by facilitating risk- and profit-sharing, enhanced entrepreneurial skills, and more collaborative economic action.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=443867>

General

99 Privacy Breaches To Beware Of : Practical Data Protection Tips from Real-Life Experience / Kevin Shepherdson, William Hioe & Lyn Boxall

Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Business, 2018

520p.

Includes Index

9789814794640

\$ 24.00 / PB

582gm.

Data breaches, privacy leaks, sensitive personal information falling into the wrong hands. Why do these things happen even with the existence of data protection laws, with hefty fines are punishment? And why do they happen even in organisations that have instituted all the policies and procedures required by the law? Because privacy breaches can happen despite legal compliance and good information governance. They happen because of failures in operational compliance. So, how do you avoid privacy breaches happening to you? Drawing on a wealth of real-life case studies and onsite data protection audits, this book investigates the range of things that can easily go wrong on the ground - and indeed have gone wrong! From careless practices and indiscreet communications to IT vulnerabilities and third-party risks, this book shows you where the weakest links are in the collection, usage, retention, disclosure and disposal of personal data.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422036>

History

Anand Panyarachun and the Making of Modern Thailand / Dominic Faulder

Singapore: EDM-Editions Didier Millet Ptd Ltd, 2018

xx, 556p.

Includes Index

9789814385275

\$ 37.50 / HB

1160gm.

Based on hundreds of interviews, this is the absorbing story of one of Thailand's most influential figures. Against a backdrop of political coups and violence, Cold War intrigue, and regional conflict, Anand Panyarachun reached the pinnacle of Thailand's foreign service, and twice served as an unelected prime minister. Throughout his varied life, his frankness and integrity set him apart, traits that derailed his diplomatic career entirely at one point, but then led him to become the international face of a country that has encountered frequent crises.

In this comprehensive biography, veteran journalist Dominic Faulder describes Anand's formative years in a still bucolic Bangkok and postwar England, his long tenure in North America as permanent representative to the United Nations and ambassador to the US, his unexpected terms as prime minister, his vital role in the attempt to bring lasting constitutional reform to Thailand, and more. Revealing new details on key moments in modern Thai history, *Anand Panyarachun and the Making of Modern Thailand* also presents Anand's recollections and views on everything from the Vietnam War to relations with China, royalism and ways forward for Thailand's struggling political system.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=449318>

On Parade : Straits Settlements Eurasian Men Who Volunteered to Defend the Empire,

1862-1957 / Mary Anne Jansen, John Geno-Oehlers & Anne Ebert Oehlers

Singapore: Wee Kim Wee Centre, Singapore Management University, 2018

xvi, 396p.

Includes Bibliographical references

9789811187292

\$ 42.00 / HB

1390gm.

On Parade chronicles the attempts of Straits Settlements Eurasian men to take responsibility for the defence of the British Empire, both at home and abroad, over a period of nearly a hundred years. From the original refusal to allow Eurasian men to enlist at all, through the expectation on the part of the Crown of absolute loyalty for very little material gain, Eurasian men volunteered, and were prepared to make the ultimate sacrifice, for the altruistic motive of defending their home and families. This book paints a picture of Singapore's established Eurasian community, drawn from the Straits Settlements and Malaya. They strove to defend what they considered to be their only home. Intrinsic civic-mindedness is evinced in this social history of the Straits Settlements Eurasian Volunteers.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456902>

The People's Struggle : Cambodia Reborn / Heng Samrin (Eds) Peter Starr & Timothy Anger
(Translation) Sam Sarana (et al.)
Singapore: EDM -Editions Didier Millet Pte Ltd., 2018
148p.
9789814610490
\$ 25.00 / HB
472gm.

This book is a vivid first-hand account of the career of one of the 20th century's great guerrilla commanders, Samdech Heng Samrin, who after his years as a soldier played an important role in the political and economic rebirth of Cambodia. Born into a rural village community, and working as a farmer, Heng Samrin campaigned and then fought for the Khmer People's Revolutionary Party. He led a double life - both as a member of the government militia and working for the party. In due course he went fully underground. He describes in detail the experience of coming under attack by US and South Vietnamese aircraft. There followed the guerrilla conflict against military leader Lon Nol, who after a coup declared a republic and allied the country with the US at war with Vietnam. The author was appointed company commander in the People's Revolutionary Army of Kampuchea, and rose to be a regimental and then divisional commander. Heng Samrin describes the schisms that arose within the revolutionary movement, and how he, his Cambodian comrades and his Vietnamese allies ended up fighting, and defeating, the forces of Pol Pot and what had become a viciously cruel Khmer Rouge regime. Thereafter, Heng Samrin played an important part in laying the foundations for the new Kingdom of Cambodia. He served as both Head of State and as secretary-general of the ruling Khmer People's Revolutionary Party, since renamed as the Cambodian People's Party, of which he still serves as honorary chairman. In 2006 he became president of the National Assembly. Few books capture as powerfully the experience of guerrilla war as seen by its participants. What drove Heng Samrin to persist in fighting for the freedom of Cambodians in the face of extreme danger? How did he outwit the Khmer Rouge and their traps? In this book, he shares his insights, and describes his efforts to help rebuild his country after decades of war.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456903>

Singapore Chronicles : Healthcare / Phua Kai Hong
Singapore: IPS & Straits Time Press Pte Ltd., 2018
108p.

Includes Index ; Bibliographical references

9789814747486

Singapore Chronicles Series

1. Public health - Singapore
2. Public health – Singapore - History
3. Medical policy – Singapore
4. Medical care – Singapore.

\$ 12.00 / PB

154gm.

This book reviews the development of healthcare in Singapore, especially over the last 50 years. It presents major health issues, past achievements of the healthcare system and healthcare challenges for the future. Various trends in the healthcare system are covered within the context of rapid socio-economic, demographic and epidemiological transitions. Also discussed are national policies in response to healthcare challenges within broader regional and global trends, offering lessons and other policy implications for the future development of Singapore's healthcare system.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=443872>

Singapore Chronicles : Media / Ang Peng Hwa & Carol Soon

Singapore: IPS & Straits Time Press Pte Ltd., 2018

108p.

Includes Index ; Bibliographical references

9789814747424

Singapore Chronicles Series

1. Mass media – Singapore
2. Mass media – Singapore – History
3. Mass media – Social aspects – Singapore
4. Internet – Social aspects – Singapore
5. Social media – Singapore.

\$ 12.00 / PB

154gm.

This monograph outlines the development of Singapore's media from the first government-subsidised newspaper to radio, TV, Rediffusion, the Internet and today's social media. Going beyond "just the dates", it shows how the media in Singapore had once been extremely competitive, that Singapore was a media hub for Malay intellectuals in the region and how the newspaper licensing rules were inherited from the British who set the tone by curbing an English-language newspaper called Singapore Herald published by a Japanese publisher in the 1940s. It's the Singapore media as few would have guessed.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=443870>

Singapore Chronicles : Chinese / Kwok Kian-Woon & Teng Siao See
Singapore: IPS & Straits Time Press Pte Ltd., 2018

116p.

Includes Index ; Bibliographical references

9789814747455

Singapore Chronicles Series

1. Chinese – Singapore
2. Chinese – Singapore – History
3. Chinese – Singapore – Social life and customs
4. Chinese – Singapore – Ethnic identity.

\$ 12.00 / PB

162gm.

Historically, Singapore has been home to a myriad of people of Chinese descent, including those whose ancestors migrated from China many generations ago, as well as recent immigrants who have taken up permanent residence or citizenship. This book provides an overview of the Chinese in multi-ethnic Singapore, from sojourners to settlers in the pre-colonial Malay world and from colonial subjects to citizens in a new nation. There is no other country where Chinese form the majority of the citizenry outside of Chinese territories. In critically examining the implications of their majority status, the authors suggest that “Chineseness” has always been diversely manifested and today’s Chinese-Singaporeans must continue to grapple with what it means to share in the vision and the work of creating a unique and enduring multicultural nation.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=443873>

When We Were Kings : A Golden Era of Singapore Rugby / Godfrey Robert

Singapore: Epigram Books, 2018

vi, 144p.

Includes Index

9789814785860

1. Rugby football – Singapore – History
2. Rugby football players – Singapore.

\$ 21.00 / PB

280gm.

The 1978 Singapore rugby team made history by beating the powerful Kiwis, clinching the Malaysian Rugby Union Cup and winning a treble of national awards. Yet their triumphs were all but wiped from sporting history.

Veteran sportswriter Godfrey Robert traces the blood, sweat and tears behind an extraordinary decade for Singapore rugby, starting in 1972 with the controversial first all-Asian team and culminating in another unthinkable victory in 1982. When We Were Kings includes first-person accounts from the heroes of the day: Coach Natahar Bava, skipper Song Koon Poh, Singapore Rugby Union boss Howard Cashin and many others.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422024>

Dalley and the Malayan Security Service, 1945-48 : MI5 VS MSS / Leon Comber
Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute), 2019
xvi, 160p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789814818735

1. Dalley, John Douglas – 1900-
2. Intelligence service – Malaysia – History – Malayan Emergency, 1948-1960
3. Internal security – Malaya
4. National security – Malaya

\$ 19.90 / PB

304gm.

This book fills an important gap in the history and intelligence canvas of Singapore and Malaya immediately after the surrender of the Japanese in August 1945. It deals with the establishment of the domestic intelligence service known as the Malayan Security Service (MSS), which was pan-Malayan covering both Singapore and Malaya, and the colourful and controversial career of Lieutenant Colonel John Dalley, the Commander of Dalforce in the WWII battle for Singapore and the post-war Director of MSS. It also documents the little-known rivalry between MI5 in London and MSS in Singapore, which led to the demise of the MSS and Dalley's retirement.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422041>

Journeys : Tamils in Singapore, 1800 – Present / Murugaian Nirmala
Singapore: Straits Times Press, 2018

304p.

9789814266956

1. Tamil (Indic people) – Singapore – History
2. Tamil (Indic people) – Singapore – Politics and government
3. Tamil (Indic people) – Social aspects – Singapore

\$ 25.00 / PB

448gm.

This book takes a detailed look at the arrival of the Tamils to Singapore from the 19th century, the growth of the community in the decades that followed, the social and political role Tamils played in the tumultuous 50s and 60s, and some of the challenges facing the community in more recent times, such as educational issues, the need for Indian self-help group SINDA, and assimilating the second wave of Indian immigrants.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422038>

Law

Pedra Branca : Story of the Unheard Cases / S Jayakumar, Tommy Koh & Lionel Yee
Singapore: Straits Times Press, 2018

127p.

9789814827157

1. Pedra Branca (Singapore)
2. Singapore – Boundaries – Malaysia
3. Malaysia – Boundaries – Singapore
4. Territorial waters – Singapore
5. Territorial waters – Malaysia
6. Singapore – Foreign relations – Malaysia
7. Malaysia – Foreign relations – Singapore
8. International Court of Justice.

\$ 19.95/ PB

310gm.

In 2017, Malaysia sprang a surprise on Singapore by filing two applications for revision and interpretation of the International Court of Justice's judgment of 2008, which awarded Singapore sovereignty over the island of Pedra Branca. However, just two weeks before the scheduled oral hearings for the cases, the newly-elected Malaysian Prime Minister Dr Mahathir Mohamad decided to discontinue the cases. This book explains succinctly the arguments of both countries. The authors recount how the Singapore team prepared for the written pleadings and oral hearings for both cases. They also reveal interesting behind the scenes accounts of these "unheard cases". This book will be of great interest to both non-lawyers and lawyers, as well as students who are interested in international law, international relations and territorial disputes, and in how countries which are parties to a case before an international tribunal embark on their preparations.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456908>

Literature

Singapore Chronicles : Literature / Koh Tai An (et al.) (Eds) Koh Tai Ann

Singapore: IPS & Straits Time Press Pte Ltd., 2018

120p.

Includes Index ; Bibliographical references

9789814747370

Singapore Chronicles Series

1. Singaporean literature – History
2. Singaporean literature (English) – History
3. Singaporean literature (Chinese) – History
4. Singaporean literature (Malay) – History
5. Singaporean literature (Tamil) – History.

\$ 12.00 / PB

168gm.

Singapore has not one national literature but four literatures, in the official languages of Malay, Chinese, Tamil and English. Each thus differs in origin, literary tradition and development, and they reach disparate reading publics both nationally and internationally. This book attempts to bridge these differences by introducing to the reading public in English within one volume for the first time, the literary history, development and significant writers of each literature. By situating these in their shared common historical context, the book reveals how the literatures are each unique yet ultimately, Singaporean. Lists of translations and digital resources enable readers, moreover, to explore the literatures on their own.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=443873>

Organ Gold : A Medical Thriller / Raju Chellam (Ed) Jill Lim

Singapore: Straits Times Press Pte Ltd., 2018

112p.

9789814827041

1. Traffic accidents – Fiction
2. Families – Fiction
3. Organ trafficking – Fiction.

\$ 22.00 / PB

434gm.

Racy, pacy and packed with near-death experiences, drama, mounting hospital bills, desperate family members, suspicious characters and mysterious human organ traders, Organ Gold is a medical-themed thriller set in Singapore that looks at the darker side of organ donors and the booming black market in human organs. The book includes a 7,500-word epilogue examining the arguments and issues about organ donation and organ trading.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422054>

Nimita's Place : A Novel / Akshita Nanda
Singapore: Epigram Books, 2018
464p. ; 152x225mm.
9789814785761

1. Arranged marriage – India – Fiction
2. Immigrants – Singapore – Fiction
3. Women – India – Fiction.

\$ 22.00 / PB
594gm.

It is 1944 in India and Nimita Khosla yearns to attend university to become an engineer, but her parents want a different life for her. As she accepts her fate and marries, religious upheaval is splitting the country and forcing her family to find a new home. In 2014, her granddaughter, molecular biologist Nimita Sachdev, escapes India to run away from the prospect of an arranged marriage. Staking out a future in Singapore, she faces rising anger against immigrants and uncertainty about her new home. Two generations apart, these two women walk divergent paths but face the same quandaries: who are we, and what is home?

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422056>

The Minorities : A Ghostly Novel / Suffian Hakim
Singapore: Epigram Books, 2018
256p. ; 152x225mm.
9789814655279

1. Inventors – Singapore – Fiction
2. Friendship – Fiction
3. Fathers and sons – Fiction
4. Death – Fiction.

\$ 22.00 / PB
340gm.

Meet the four misfits living in one HDB flat. One is a Malay–Jew who is trying to get his father to come back as a ghost. Cantona is a promising Bangladeshi artist on the run from a construction company. Tights is a Chinese illegal immigrant with a Forrest Gump obsession. And Shanti is a gifted Indian lab technician hiding from her abusive husband. When a forlorn pontianak begins haunting them, the four friends find themselves embroiled in a surreal showdown that may just upend the world, or at least Singapore.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422057>

Kallang Basin Adagio : A Novel / Khor Kuan Liang

Singapore: Epigram Books, 2018

240p. ; 152x225mm.

9789814785143

1. Nomads – Singapore – Fiction
2. Androids – Singapore – Fiction.

\$ 22.00 / PB

360gm.

Kenji leads a tribe of nomads through a post-apocalyptic Singapore devastated by environmental collapse. Their goal: the promised land of the Kallang Basin. While searching for shelter, they encounter a starving young boy named Daniel protecting an enigmatic android and decide to bring the strange duo along. But Doll holds a secret that will upend the tribe's dynamic and force them all to confront the truth of their own survival.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422062>

Band Eight / Tham Cheng-E

Singapore: Epigram Books, 2018

336p. ; 152x225mm.

9789814615884

1. Students – Fiction
2. Fugitives from justice – Fiction.

\$ 20.00 / PB

444gm.

In the Nation, citizenship is competitively earned, and the sting of failure strikes swift. The smallest professional blemish may spell demotion or even deportation to offshore labour communities called Depositories, while the affluent are insured against all misfortune and can do no wrong.

Santhosh is a Transient student hoping to ace the Civil Primaries and make Citizen the following year, when his father is suddenly deported and State agents murder his guardian's entire family. Adopted by a motley band of fugitives who hold wealthy Citizens ransom for a shot at freedom, Santhosh searches for his father and struggles to keep his integrity in a world where the only true choices are luxuries.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422061>

If It Were Up to Mrs Dada : A Novel / Carissa Foo

Singapore: Epigram Books, 2018

160p. ; 152x225mm.

9789814785983

1. Older women – Fiction
2. National Day (Singapore) – Fiction.

\$ 22.00 / PB

242gm.

Today is National Day. It is also Cheryl Dada's birthday. As Elderflower Home prepares for the celebration, Cheryl Dada too gets ready for her party. Between the hours of noon and seven p.m., she encounters the cantankerous residents and caregivers, her mother and people of yesteryears. What unfolds is a story about a woman coming to terms with age, loss and love.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422064>

It Happened on Scrabble Sunday / Mahita Vas

Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions (Marshall Cavendish International), 2018

232p.

9789814794763

1. Murder – Fiction
2. Revenge – Fiction

\$ 16.00 / PB

230gm.

A late-night call leads Uday Aurora to find his beloved daughter barely alive after a gruesome attack. Uday wants justice, while his son demands vengeance. While the comatose Lavinia's condition deteriorates, Uday learns the identity of the real culprit. Distraught, Uday must choose carefully to determine his next steps, for the die is cast, and he now needs to come to terms with the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune that life has thrown at him. What will it take for a supremely decent man to abandon his characteristic morality, to protect his family while avenging brutality against his daughter? Especially when money buys nearly everything. Even absolution.

A dark, crafty and thrilling stew blending social satire, murder and revenge, It Happened on Scrabble Sunday is inspired by Shakespeare's Titus Andronicus, liberally flavoured with curry.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422055>

Trafalgar Sunrise / Danielle Lim

Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions (Marshall Cavendish International), 2018

184p.

9789814794923

1. SARS (Disease) – Singapore – Fiction

2. Leprosy – Singapore – Fiction

\$ 16.00 / PB

186gm.

Book Details:

(Winner of the Singapore Literature Prize)

On one of those nights when the two of us were alone in our cottage, she said to me, “I named my little girl ‘Wan Mei’.

You know why?”

I looked into her eyes, where the pain came through. In Chinese, “Wan Mei” means complete, beautiful. I nodded.

She continued, “They tell me she has been adopted by an Australian couple. She will have an English name.” She paused. “Not Wan Mei anymore.”

“But she will still have a normal life. A better life. Complete and beautiful,” I said.

From Singapore Literature Prize-winner Danielle Lim comes a powerful meditation on love, grief, redemption and awe at the resilience of the human spirit.

Ward sister Grace Hwang battles alongside fellow healthcare workers in Singapore when the SARS virus—invisible, relentless and deadly—strikes in 2003. In the thick of it, she looks back at her teenage years in Trafalgar Home, a leper colony where Alice, her best friend, was forced to give her newborn up for adoption. With Alice now in the last stages of cancer, Grace attempts to reunite mother with long-lost daughter before time runs out.

Along the way, she seeks to discover the person who found the cure to leprosy.

Elegant, thoughtful and richly portrayed, Trafalgar Sunrise is a double helix of a novel that intertwines the gripping drama of the present with the haunting anguish of the past, pitting human against microbial, choice against consequence, and deed against redemption.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=391272>

The Bonsai Tree / Meira Chand

Updated Edition

Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions , (Marshall Cavendish International), 2018 (First Published 1983)

228p. ; 130mm x198mm.

9789814828239

1. British – Japan – Fiction

\$ 14.00 / PB

224gm.

She was expected, Kate knew, to prove loyalty to her mother-in-law, satisfying her every wish. Such obedience here was virtue. If a wife and a mother both were drowning, explained a proverb, a son should save his mother; wives were two a penny ... In this modern age these

attitudes withdrew to shadows, but a residue remained.

Liberal-minded Jun Nagai, heir to a prominent business empire, brings his beautiful and intelligent English wife Kate Scott back to Japan after a whirlwind romance – a marriage his complex, powerful and traditional mother Itsuko naturally disapproves.

While Jun is pulled between the two cultures, owing loyalty to both, Kate is thrown into an unfamiliar world where her role of a wife lies within strict social constructs. Stripped of all romantic illusions, she struggles to retain her individuality. A shattering encounter leads her directly to the gritty abject underbelly of Kamagasaki – dumping ground for the destitutes and untouchables, a section ruled by gangsters and plyed by prostitutes, with no place in society.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=368388>

Last Quadrant / Meira Chand

Updated Edition

Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions (Marshall Cavendish International) , 2018 (First Published 1981)

9789814828222

1. Orphanages – Japan – Fiction
2. Typhoons – Fiction
3. Japan – Fiction.

\$ 14.00 / PB

234gm.

Then the moment exploded. Glass was breaking and flying. Kyo was swept into the foaming water and mangled there.

The split second unrolled like a slow motion film, stamped forever in Akiko's mind. She saw the loose slump of Kyo's body slung backwards by the roll of foam, she saw slices and fragments of glass fly about and the great dark underside of the boat, thrust in through the window, riding up upon the piano as Kyo was thrown into the water. Twenty years ago English doctor Eva Kraig adopted Akiko, the illegitimate daughter of Kyo, who had abandoned the baby and then turned to prostitution. Now Eva may lose her beloved Akiko, for Kyo — ravaged by time and drink — has returned to claim her grown daughter. In the havoc of a great typhoon, Akiko finds herself stranded with her adoptive mother, the natural mother she has never known and a troubled young man who has fallen in love with her. In the brief calm of the typhoon's eye, the group arrives at the comparative safety of their wealthy English neighbour's concrete house. There they must wait out the violence of the last quadrant — the wildest part of the storm. As the refugees draw together in a fight for survival and are forced to reckon with their deepest selves, the terrible night becomes a turning point for each of them.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=368389>

The Gossamer Fly / Meira Chand

Updated Edition

Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions (Marshall Cavendish International), 2018 (First Published 1979)

180p. ; 130mmx198mm.

9789814828215

1. Japan – Social life and custom – Fiction

2. Japan – Fiction.

\$ 14.00 / PB

184gm.

That Summer was a first growing up. And after it the rustle of grass, the view of the bay, each thing she touched were never the same, but filled with the menace of a dark adult world. ... In her mind everything began on that first day, when she found the new maid, Hiroko, in the kitchen ... An evocative story of a young girl thrust into a dark and sinister adult world. Natsuko, of English-Japanese parentage living in Japan with her older brother and parents, faces the loss of her fragile mother, who is sent back to England for treatment after a breakdown. She is confronted by an arrogant and manipulative new maid, who wins over her father and brother as a surrogate wife and mother. As Hiroko's influence grows, Natsuko retreats into mounting isolation, confusion, fear and anger, resulting in a dramatic conclusion to this emotionally charged story.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456925>

18 Walls : A Novel / Teo Xue Shen

Singapore: Epigram Books, 2018

282p.

9789814655439

1. Imaginary wars and battles – Fiction

2. Genetic engineering – Fiction

\$ 15.00 / PB

280gm

This action-packed thriller follows a squad of 18-year-olds who must fight an army of Savages in a war they did not choose.

Ren is an elite fighter who feels no emotions. That makes him the perfect soldier to battle the Savages, a feral army of half-animal, half-human species prowling outside the 18 walls protecting the city...at least that's what the propaganda machine will have him believe.

He and his motley squad are armed with genetic enhancements before venturing beyond the walls. They come to learn more about themselves and their enemies than they could have ever imagined.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=418884>

Marriage and Mutton Curry : Stories / M. Shanmughalingam
Singapore: Epigram Books, 2018

218p.

9789810756222

1. Tamil (Indic people) – Malaysia – Fiction
2. Tamil (Indic people) – Malaysia – Social life and customs – Fiction
3. Marriage – Malaysia – Fiction
4. Women, Tamil – Malaysia – Social conditions – Fiction
5. Malaysia wit and humor (English).

\$ 16.00/ PB

236g.

A kimono-clad Tamil woman greets Japanese soldiers at the door while her Anglophile husband cowers in his Jaguar. Two sisters share a husband when one fails to produce a child for the longest time. An American diplomat's urgent inquires about the Malaysian treasury's facilities are hilariously misunderstood. A daring civil servant proposes to a Ceylonese lady in his hometown mere minutes after meeting her, breaking a thousand years of marriage protocol.

M. Shanmughalingam's debut collection paints, with gentle wit and humour, the concerns and intrigues of the Jaffna Tamil community in Malaya. At turns satirical, empathetic and insightful, these fifteen stories explore what happens when we hold on to—and choose to leave behind—our traditions and identities in a changing world.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422063>

Romancing the Language : A Writer's Lasting Love Affair with English : A Collection of Essays / Catherine Lim

Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions (Marshall Cavendish International), 2018

160p.; 130mmx198mm.

9789814828147

\$ 18.00 / PB

164gm.

I had fallen head over heels in love with a foreign language that others in my community were indifferent to, had grudgingly learnt or positively hated. I embraced the English language fully, wanting to learn everything about it, to celebrate it and serve it, like the completely enamoured and enslaved lover.

This delightful collection of essays by Catherine Lim explores her love affair with the English language through her stories and anecdotes about her relationship with the language.

In the author's own words, "This book is primarily to satirise (and also to celebrate) my special relationship with the English Language ... I actually want the reader to smile a little and think, 'That's vintage Catherine Lim, a mix of wit and bluster and showing off!'"

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456926>

A Tiny Space / Fifi Coco & Family
Singapore: Ethos Books, 2018
188p.
9789811188572
Orbit Series #001
\$ 8.00 / PB
142gm.

“I stand and face the sea, as the waves come crashing to the shore, the music of the sea is thunderous and loud. Yet I am unafraid, I chase the waves, I run about, excited but calm, I want to explore, I only want more.” — fifi coo, 11 June 2016

After eight years of quiet, fifi coo found his voice through the collective love of a family, the patience and resourcefulness of a mother, and a simple alphabet board. The board became the interface between fifi’s thoughts and the public world beyond him. With it, he speaks poetry. — How open are we to specialness in our lives? Open the door to the tiny spaces within you, and let in fifi coo’s inner light.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456927>

Notes after Terawih / Ziks
Singapore: Ethos Books, 2018
80p.
9789811181092
Orbit Series #002
\$ 8.00 / PB
66gm.

‘Tarawih’ (Arabic) comes from the root word that means to take a rest, and take rest I did. Notes After Terawih is a series of word sketches I drew based on my distracted observation during night prayers, or terawih prayers, done in a single mosque during Ramadhan. Thousands of us here in Singapore engage in terawih for thirty nights in a row – that’s a huge multitude of experiences. Yet, all these experiences are tucked within the walls of the mosque and ultimately remain in Ramadhan... As a new kid in this terawih thing, I decided to take some notes. None of these were written on the spot. Instead, they were recalled and typed on my phone as I headed home for the night.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456928>

Giving Alms / Khin Chan Myae Maung
Singapore: Ethos Books, 2018
80p. ; 115mmx170mm.
9789811177026
Orbit Series #003
\$ 8.00 / PB
66gm.

Book Details:

“Karma has failed us,” my husband whispered into our dark bedroom. With his hand over his mouth, he stopped himself from wailing. What an incredibly loud noise sorrow makes when muffled, a noise that distils the air in your lungs to heavy stones.”

Giving Alms gifts us three short stories based on the narratives of the people of Myanmar. Carefully revealing the hidden intricacies of human vulnerability and pain in society, these stories reflect on how a society heals and resolves resentment after years of social and political oppression. Each story takes on different dualities—desire and duty, denial and acceptance, indifference and sympathy—against the harsh landscape of Burmese society.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456929>

SingPoWriMo 2018 : The Anthology / (Ed) Desmond Kon Zhicheng-Minde (et al.)
Singapore: Math Paper Press (BooksActually), 2018
xxii, 272p.
9789811189203
\$ 18.00 / PB
312gm.

Singapore Poetry Writing Month, or as we affectionately call it, SingPoWriMo.

Write one poem a day for thirty days in the cruel month of April: that was the challenge we first gave the internet in 2014. In its third year, our anthology gathers the best of the 5,110 poems that were submitted in 2018. Daily challenging prompts reflected on the Singaporean condition, with verses written for every MRT and LRT station, poems that upgraded other poems that upgraded other poems and so on. We are proud to feature first-time poets beside established bards, a wide swath of languages – with poems in Minion next to poems in HTML – and the recently-revived form of the udaiyaathathu alongside the ground-breaking twin cinema and asingbol.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456930>

An Epic of Durable Departures / Jason Wee (Ed) Ruth Tang
Singapore: Math Paper Press (BooksActually), 2018
104p. ; 125x200mm.
9789811151088
\$ 14.00 / PB
116gm.

This new poetry collection stands as a record of a friendship between two artists formed in the shadow of illness and mortality. Using the renga and haiku as departure points, Wee wrestles with the limits of art and of the document even as he summons werewolves, ghosts, and other myths. Faced with the inadequacies of witness, An Epic moves towards the living in reverse time, opening with obituaries and ending with a renewed beginning.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456931>

Call and Response : A Migrant/Local Poetry Anthology / (Eds) Joshua Ip, Rolinda Onates Espanola & Zakir Hossain Khokan
Second Edition
Singapore: Math Paper Press (BooksActually), 2018
xx, 118p.
9789811189197
\$ 18.00 / PB
156gm.

Singapore is a migrant nation.

Who truly deserves the title 'local', and how far removed is your average 'local poet' from the term 'migrant worker'?

The anthology Call and Response gathers the voices of more than thirty 'migrant' poets, and pairs them with a creative response from the same number of 'local' writers in this initiative. Metaphors and memories are reflected and refracted through each poet's unique prism of language, but the light catches the page, whether harsh or warm, to illuminate. The editors Rolinda Onates Espanola, Zakir Hossain and Joshua Ip call you into the reader's space – we hope you respond.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456932>

When the Lights Went Off / Paul Tan
Singapore: Landmark Books Pte Ltd, 2018
80p.
9789814189866
\$ 18.00 / PB
138gm.

As the poet navigates through middle age, beset by questions on aging, love and loss, and the incipient awareness of mortality, these poems give shape and meaning to those attendant, oft-unspoken anxieties. Through coy irony, imagined personas and leaps of creative faith, Tan's fifth collection of poetry interrogates the redemptive possibilities of art, promising a journey through the familiar and the off-kilter.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422042>

Performing Arts

Flying Sleeves : The Grandeur of Chinese Opera / Dr. Chua Ee Kiam
Singapore: Simply Green, 2018
208p.
9789811172854
\$ 45.00 / HB
1280gm.

Chinese opera is rich in the heritage of Chinese history. “ Flying Sleeves – The Grandeur of Chinese Opera” documents this effervescent performance art through 200 pages, suffused with 400 breath-taking images. This delightful curation of Chinese opera genres showcases the photographic brilliance of Dr. Chua and his team of photographers. Chinese opera was named a preserved art form by UNESCO (was declared Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity – Kunqu opera in 2001, Cantonese or Yueja opera in 2009 and Peking opera in 2010). As Chinese opera continues to evolve with the times, the author hopes that this book will inspire readers to take a deeper look at this intriguing performance art.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456942>

Jeremy Monteiro : Late-Night Thoughts of a Jazz Musician / (Ed) Kannan Chandran
(Foreword) Professor Tommy Koh
Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions (Marshall Cavendish International) , 2018
xii, 196p. ; 140mmx215mm.

9789814516655

1. Monteiro, Jeremy, 1960 – Anecdotes
2. Jazz musicians – Singapore – Anecdotes

\$ 24.00 / PB

380gm.

Jazz pianist, composer, producer, vocalist and educator – Jeremy Monteiro FRSA has been a professional musician since 1976, with more than 40 solo albums to his name. He has performed with music icons such as James Moody, Ernie Watts and Simon & Garfunkel in great venues all over the world, in the process earning the accolade “King of Swing”. In 2002 he received Singapore’s highest honour in the arts, the Cultural Medallion.

Jeremy is also a keen observer and deep thinker. The stories he tells on stage at his many packed concerts and jazz club shows never fail to keep his audiences in rapt attention. Here, for the first time, he has put many of his “late-night thoughts” to paper, offering us a wealth of hard-won wisdom about life, love, music and human nature.

From fond reminiscences that tug at the heartstrings, to funny anecdotes that will evoke a huge guffaw, the essays in this volume take us on an intimate journey into the mind of one of Singapore’s most talented, most respected and most loved musicians.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422025>

Politics

Emerging Political Configurations in the Run-up to the 2020 Myanmar Elections/Aung Aung

Singapore : ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2019

46p.

9789814843362

Trends in Southeast Asia No.1/2019

\$ 9.00 / PB

While facing international pressures relating to Rakhine State, and under tense civil-military relations, political parties are preparing for the 2020 Myanmar general elections.

The National League for Democracy (NLD), the ruling party, is taking a more democratic platform focusing on the creation of a democratic federal union, while the Union Solidarity and Development Party (USDP) adopts a more nationalist approach, emphasizing the prevention of foreign interference regarding Rakhine State.

Taking lessons from the 2015 Myanmar general elections, and in order to effectively contend with the NLD and the USDP, the ethnic political parties are at the same time merging into single parties and new political parties are now also being registered at the Union Election Commission.

The current situation indicates more uncertainty in politics and economic downturns, and many indicators suggest that the NLD is now in a defensive position.

But be that as it may, because of Aung San Suu Kyi's personality cult following and the ingrained hatred for the military dictatorship, the NLD is still expected to receive the majority seats in Bamar-dominated regions. It may be at risk in ethnic-dominated states nevertheless.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456943>

ROK and ASEAN : Partners for Achieving Peace and Co-prosperity in East Asia / Moon Jae-in

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute), 2018

44p.

ISSN: 0129-1912 ; 9789814818940

Singapore Lecture Series – The 42nd Singapore Lecture, 13 July 2018

1. Korea (South) – Foreign relations – Southeast Asia
2. Southeast Asia – Foreign relations – Korea (South)
3. Korea (South) – Foreign relations – Singapore
4. Singapore – Foreign relations – Korea (South)
5. Korea (North) – Foreign relations

\$ 16.00 / PB

96gm.

The Singapore Lecture series was inaugurated in 1980 by the ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute (formerly Institute of Southeast Asian Studies) with a founding endowment from the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS), and augmented by a generous donation in 1983 from ExxonMobil Asia Pacific. The Singapore Lecture is designed to provide an opportunity for distinguished statesmen and leaders of thought and knowledge to reach a wider audience in Singapore. The presence of such eminent personalities allows Singaporeans, especially younger executives and decision-makers in both the public and private sectors, the benefit of exposure to leading world figures who address topics of international and regional interest. The 42nd Singapore Lecture was delivered by His Excellency Moon Jae-in, President of the Republic of Korea, on 13 July 2018 under the distinguished Chairmanship of Mr Teo Chee Hean, Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security, Singapore.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=411915>

Democratic Transition In Myanmar : Challenges and the Way Forward / Aung San Suu Kyi
Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute), 2018

36p.

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Singapore Lecture Series – The 43rd Singapore Lecture, 21 August 2018

1. Myanmar – Politics and government – 1988-
2. Democratization – Myanmar
3. Rakhine State (Burma) – Politics and government
4. Refugees – Myanmar – Rakhine State
5. Myanmar – Foreign relations – Singapore
6. Singapore – Foreign relations – Myanmar
7. Myanmar – Foreign relations – Southeast Asia
8. Southeast Asia – Foreign relations - Myanmar

\$ 16.00 / PB

82gm.

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The 43rd Singapore Lecture was delivered by Her Excellency Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, State Counsellor of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, on 21 August 2018 under the distinguished Chairmanship of Mr Teo Chee Hean, Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security, Singapore.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=422065>

China's Footprints in Southeast Asia / (Eds) Maria Serena I. Diokno, Hsin-Huang Michael Hsiao & Alan H. Yang

Singapore: NUS Press, 2019

vi, 250p.

Includes Index ; Bibliographical references

9789814722896

1. China – Foreign relations – Southeast Asia
2. Southeast Asia – Foreign relations – China
3. China – Foreign economic relations – Southeast Asia
4. Southeast Asia – Foreign economic relations – China

\$ 30.00 / PB

382gm.

The countries that make up Southeast Asia are seeing an incredible resurgence in their economic power. Over the past fifty years, their combined wealth has reached the same level as the United Kingdom and, taken together, they are on track to become the fifth-largest world economy. But that stability and success has drawn the attention of the second largest world economy-China. The emerging superpower is increasingly involved in Southeast Asia as part of the ongoing global realignment. As China deepens its influence across the region, the countries of Southeast Asia are negotiating spaces for themselves in order to respond to-or even challenge-China's power. This is the first book to survey China's growing role in Southeast Asia along multiple dimensions. It looks closely and skeptically at the multitude of ways that China has built connections in the region, including through trade, foreign aid, and cultural diplomacy. It incorporates examples such as the operation of Confucius Institutes in Indonesia or the promotion of the concept of *guangxi*. China's Footprints in Southeast Asia raises the question of whether the Chinese efforts are helpful or disruptive and explores who it is that really stands to benefit from these relationships. The answers differ from country to country, but, as this volume suggests, the footprint of hard and soft power always leaves a lasting mark on other countries' institutions.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=409916>

Electoral Politics and the Malaysian Chinese Association in Johor / Lee Hock Guan, Nicholas Chan

Singapore : ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2018

38p.

9789814843188

Trends in Southeast Asia No.20/2018

\$ 9.00 / PB

Like the United Malays National Organization (UMNO), the Malaysian Chinese Association (MCA) was known for having its bastion in Johor, with the state containing the highest number of parliamentary seats contested and won by the party.

Two features of the MCA stand out: (1) its relative resilience in that its near elimination in other states since 2008 did not occur in Johor until the recent 14th General Elections, and (2) that most MCA presidents had some connections to Johor, either as having been born in Johor, contested in a Johor constituency, been chairman of the Johor state liaison committee, or a combination of three.

Although historical institutional linkages such as the New Villages and the Chinese guilds and associations (CGAs) gave the MCA a strong footing in Johor initially, changing political and socioeconomic circumstances gradually eroded the party's support among the Johorean Chinese.

As it began to lose appeal as an individual party, the MCA Johor had to depend on a strategy of mixed voter pooling so that the significant loss of support from the Chinese could be compensated for by the Malay electorate that was until recently highly supportive of the Barisan Nasional (BN).

The strategic dependence of the MCA on the UMNO was rendered void when the latter was defeated in the state. As it stands, the revival of the party's standing both within Johor and nationally is far from certain.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456944>

Turning Points and Transitions: Selections from Southeast Asian Affairs 1974–2018 / Daljit Singh, Malcolm Cook, editors

Singapore : ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2018

788p.

9789814843072

\$ 69.95 / HB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456945>

The Post-Colonial Security Dilemma: Timor-Leste and the International Community /
Rebecca Strating
Singapore : ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2018
402p.
9789814818407
\$ 29.90 / PB

This book examines the development of Timor-Leste's foreign policy since achieving political independence in 2002. It considers the influence of Timor-Leste's historical experiences with foreign intervention on how the small, new state has pursued security. The book argues that efforts to secure the Timorese state have been motivated by a desire to reduce foreign intervention and dependence upon other actors within the international community. Timor-Leste's desire for "real" independence — characterized by the absence of foreign interference — permeates all spheres of its international political, cultural and economic relations and foreign policy discourse. Securing the state entails projecting a legitimate identity in the international community to protect and guarantee political recognition of sovereign status, an imperative that gives rise to Timor-Leste's aspirational foreign policy. The book examines Timor-Leste's key bilateral and multilateral diplomatic relations, its engagement with the global normative order, and its place within the changing Asia-Pacific region.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456946>

The Perak Sultanate: Transitioning into the 21st Century / Barbara Watson Andaya,
Singapore : ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2018

47p.

9789814843348

Trends in Southeast Asia No 22/2018

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Although Dr Mahathir Mohamad’s earlier government (1981–2003) limited the powers and privileges of Malaysia’s nine hereditary rulers, the political influence that they could exercise was still evident in the “Perak Crisis” of 2009, which also generated public debate about royal rights.

In recent years, public wariness in Malaysia about politicians has helped the rulers present themselves as alternative sources of authority. “Monarchical activism” has been especially evident in the state of Perak, dating from 1984 when Sultan Azlan Muhibbuddin Shah, who was until then Malaysia’s Lord President, was installed as the thirty-fourth ruler. In 2014, he was succeeded by his eldest son, Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah.

Sultan Nazrin Shah has presented himself as a modern, educated and approachable ruler who consistently endorses the rule of law and is aware that public support for the monarch is highly dependent on meeting expectations in regard to ethical conduct and good governance.

This paper argues that although Sultan Azlan Shah and Sultan Nazrin Shah have embraced the idea of a “new” Malaysian monarchy that actively responds to changing political and social contexts, two issues with especial relevance to the situation today can be tracked through the history of Perak’s royal line since its inception in the sixteenth century. The first, arguably now of lesser importance, concerns royal succession. The second issue, still highly important, involves the ruler’s relationships with non-royal officials and with elected representatives and the public at large.

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ISEAS at 50: Understanding Southeast Asia Past and Present / Lee Hsien Loong, Wang Gungwu, Leonard Y. Andaya
Singapore : ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2018
84p.
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2018 marks the 50th anniversary of the ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute. The Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, as it was then called, was established in 1968 by then Deputy Prime Minister Dr Goh Keng Swee in order to enable the newly independent city-state better understand the region and its complexities. Since its establishment, ISEAS has dedicated itself to researching the political, economic and socio-cultural dynamics and trends in Southeast Asia for policymakers, scholars, and other relevant stakeholders. On 12 August 2015, the Institute was officially renamed ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, in honour of Singapore’s first President.

This book presents three public lectures given to commemorate the Institute’s Golden Anniversary. Professor Leonard Y. Andaya delivered the first lecture entitled “Developments in the Scholarship of Southeast Asia” on 21 February 2018. The second public lecture was delivered by Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong on 13 March 2018. Professor Wang Gungwu delivered the final public lecture entitled “Before Southeast Asia: Passages and Terrains” on 3 October 2018. Collectively, these three public lectures exhort ISEAS to continuously reflect on its research agenda, the region, as well as the contemporary landscape and challenges it has to operate in.

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Light on a Hill: The ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute Story 1968–2018 / Cassandra Chew
Singapore: ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2018
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This book commemorates ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute’s achievements over the past 50 years. It illustrates the Institute’s many changes and phases of development, under the illustrious leadership and staff at every level – board of trustees, directors, researchers and support staff.

The title of the book is derived from a quote by Prof Hal Hill, H W Arndt Professor Emeritus of Southeast Asian Economies at the Australian National University and former ISEAS International Advisory Panel member. In an article on the Institute for a 2015 publication, he described ISEAS as a “light on a hill”, saying: “I look forward to many more decades of ISEAS as a vital and uniquely important regional and global public good. There is still nothing else like it in the world, and the mission statement is as relevant today as it was at the time of its founding.”

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Islam Nusantara as a Promising Response to Religious Intolerance and Radicalism / Ahmad Najib Burhani
Singapore : ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2018
29p.
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The Indonesian government has tried to defeat terrorist groups and uproot radicalism, both through military and cultural-ideological approaches. The recent attack at Mako Brimob Depok, West Java, and the bombing in Surabaya, East Java, however, have shown that radical Islam and terrorist groups are not defeated yet.

Killing terrorist does not always mean killing terrorism. It could even have the opposite impact, i.e., strengthening and fertilizing the radical ideology. The government, being aware of this, has been supporting Nahdlatul Ulama (NU) in promoting Islam Nusantara, widely believed to be the ideological antidote for radicalism and terrorism.

Proponents of Islam Nusantara believe that radical ideology contradicts the character traits of Islam Nusantara, i.e., peaceful, smiling, tolerant, moderate, and accommodative to culture. Radicalism and intolerance are commonly seen in NU circles as being disseminated by transnational movements such as Hizbut Tahrir and Salafi-Wahhabi groups. Though not terrorist groups, they do teach intolerant and exclusive religiosity which provides a breeding ground for terrorism.

Among Indonesian Muslims, including NU, Islam Nusantara has received varied responses and been met by resistance. The emergence of NU Garis Lurus and the concerted efforts to debunk Islam Nusantara by some preachers are among the forms of activities that seek to undermine Islam Nusantara.

The introduction of Islam Nusantara is further hampered by the attitude of some of its proponents who emphasize its exclusivity by identifying Islam Nusantara only with NU.

Barring its current limits, Islam Nusantara has the potential to become an exceptional form of Islam or a template for tolerant Islam that can be emulated by Muslims in other parts of the world, especially in terms of its ability to accommodate local culture and multiculturalism.

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Myanmar Transformed? People, Places and Politics / (Ed) Justine Chambers (et al.)
(Paper originally presented to the Myanmar Update Conference 2017 held at the Australian National University, Canberra from 17 to 18 February 2017)

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2. Burma – Social conditions – Congresses
3. Burma – Economic conditions – Congresses.

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The triumph of Aung San Suu Kyi's National League for Democracy at the 2015 election was supposed to mark the consolidation of a reformist trajectory for Myanmar society. What has followed has not proved so straightforward. This book takes stock of the mutations, continuities and fractures at the heart of today's political and economic transformations. We ask: What has changed under a democratically elected government? Where are the obstacles to reform? And is there scope to foster a more prosperous and inclusive Myanmar? With the peace process faltering, over 1 million people displaced by recent violence, and ongoing army dominance in key areas of decision-making, the chapters in this volume identify areas of possible reform within the constraints of Myanmar's hybrid civil-military governance arrangements. This latest volume in the Myanmar Update Series from the Australian National University continues a long tradition of intense, critical engagement with political, economic and social questions in one of Southeast Asia's most complicated countries. At a time of great uncertainty and anxiety, the 13 chapters of Myanmar Transformed? offer new and alternative ways to understand Myanmar and its people.

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After the Coup: The National Council for Peace and Order Era and the Future of Thailand /
(Eds) Michael J Montesano, Terence Chong, Mark Heng Shu Xun, editors
Singapore : ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2019

465p.

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After the Coup brings together the work of a group of leading Thai intellectuals of several generations to equip readers to anticipate and understand the developments that lie ahead for Thailand. Contributors offer findings and perspectives both on the disorienting period following the Thai coup of May 2014 and on fundamental challenges to the country and its institutions. Chapters address regionalism and decentralization, the monarchy and the military, the media, demography and the economy, the long-running violence in Southern Thailand, and a number of surprising social and political trends certain to shape the future of Thailand. The volume will serve as a valuable resource for all those concerned with that future.

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“We Love Mr King” : Malay Muslims of Southern Thailand in the Wake of the Unrest /
Anusorn Unno

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute), 2019

xiv, 258p.

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1. Malay (Asian people) – Thailand, Southern
2. Sovereignty – Thailand, Southern
3. Islam and politics – Thailand, Southern.

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This book is an ethnography of the Malay Muslims of Guba, a pseudonymous village in Thailand's Deep South, in the wake of the unrest that was primarily reinvigorated in 2004. It argues that the unrest is the effect of the way in which different forms of sovereignty converge around the residents of this region and the residents at the same time have cultivated themselves and obtained and enacted agency through the sovereigns. Rather than asking why the violence is increasing and who is behind it, like most scholarly works on the topic, it examines how different forms of sovereignty - ranging from the Thai state and the monarchy to Islamic religious movements, the insurgents and local strongmen - impose subjectivities on the residents, how they have converged in so doing and what tensions have followed, and how the residents have dealt with these tensions and cultivated themselves and obtained and enacted agency through the sovereigns.

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Religion – Christianity

The Place of Music In The Church And In Society / Billy Kristanto
Ethos Institute for Public Christianity – Ethos Institute Engagement Series
Singapore: Sower Publishers™ (A ministry of The Bible Society of Singapore), 2018
X, 54p.
Includes Bibliography
9789812206312
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108gm.

Music is an unavoidable part of our humanity. Like religion, music too is a universal phenomenon because human beings were created with aesthetic aspect. In the Bible, the LORD is not only the God of truth, but also of beauty. Through music, we can extend our appreciation of the beauty of God's creation. Yet, on the other side after creation came the fall with all the ugly consequences of sin. Christian aesthetic realism, therefore, should deal not only with the beautiful but also with the ugly.

Many people think that the choice of music in the church and in society is a matter of individual taste and preference. This booklet shows that every music reflects a certain concept of beauty (or ugliness) both in its form and content.

The place of music in the church strongly relates to the church's theology of worship. The biblical principles of beauty should permeate the aesthetics of sacred music. With regard to society, we can observe its needs and fallenness through its musical products while at the same time offering alternatives from the Christian perspective.

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Jesus : The Path to Human Flourishing : The Gospel For The Cultural Chinese / I'Ching
Thomas (Foreword) Winfried Carduan
Singapore: Graceworks Private Limited, 2018
xii, 128p.
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194gm

This book seeks to present the Gospel in a way that seamlessly corresponds with Confucius's ideals for humanity but with a realistic solution. In fact the uniqueness of one's culture and ethnicity is affirmed, as the Lord of Heaven is the Creator of all. There will be no identity dilemma — one can be a Chinese and a Christian with honor.

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The Complete Book of Everyday Christianity : A comprehensive guide to following Christ in every aspects of life / (Eds) Robert Banks & R. Paul Stevens
Singapore: Graceworks Private Limited, 2011

1182p.

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1370gm.

A lot has happened since The Complete Book of Everyday Christianity was first published in 1997 by IVP. We felt that for the book to be really useful for the reader today, we had to add a few critical articles. Some of them include climate change, global financial crisis, restorative justice, social media, and shame. Here, in one book, is the complete guide you need for every part of your life -- family, money, relationships, job, church, entertainment and more. This sound, biblical handbook shows you how to resolve conflicts biblically, understand aging, find God in the ordinary aspects of life, work effectively with committees, discover the benefits of walking, choose the best radio stations to listen to, keep shopping under control, avoid pitfalls of grandparenting, think critically about movies, and much more.

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The Dao of Healing : Christian Perspectives on Chinese Medicines / Pak-Wah Lai, PhD
(Medical Consultant) Diarra Boubacar Thiemoke, PhD

Singapore: Graceworks Private Limited, 2018

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440gm.

The last 50 years have seen the popularity of Chinese medicine grow exponentially. In China, Korea, Japan and Singapore, Chinese medicine has been incorporated into their healthcare systems to varying degrees. In the West, it is no longer uncommon for patients to consult Chinese medicine doctors, many of whom are non-Chinese. However, among Christians in many parts of the developed world, Chinese medicine is still viewed with suspicion and negativity. Are these fears justified? How can we better understand the roots and practices of Chinese medicine?

The Dao of Healing takes us on an in-depth exploration of the histories and philosophies that have shaped both Western biomedicine and Chinese medicine in order that we might make informed judgements about them. If our call is to "love our neighbours", we need to be able to dialogue with them on the basis of mutual respect and understanding. Let this book be the catalyst for meaningful and productive conversations across the divide.

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Sociology

Under Tourism / Sim Jui Liang

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A lot has been written about overtourism and how cities are inundated by unceasing waves of tourists that are causing strain to infrastructure and disruption to everyday life. For locals, their city is resembling less like a home and more like a hotel. Yet, even in the most popular of destinations, there exist tourist sights that are often out of tourists' sight. Based on fieldwork in nine relatively lesser known tourist sites across Asia, the book poses several questions: Why are these neighbourhoods, temples, museums and parks experiencing undertourism? And what does it say about the desires and motivations of tourists and travellers?

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The Elderly Must Endure: Ageing in the Minangkabau Community in Modern Indonesia/
Rebecca Fanany, Ismet Fanany
Singapore : ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2018
309p.
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Since its independence in 1945, Indonesia has experienced decades of rapid social change that have affected every area of life and have reached even the most remote parts of the country. The impact on the experience of the population has been equally significant, especially for those individuals who are over the age of 60 today and have lived through much of this period. This book concerns older members of the Minangkabau ethnic group, one of Indonesia's many local cultures. The Minangkabau have an ancient matrilineal social structure that is embodied in their local law and customs (adat) and that, in the view of many Minangkabau, is under increasing pressure in the modern context.

Today's older Minangkabau are deeply affected by these challenges to the traditional way of life which relate to fundamental social patterns, such as the nature of the long-established tradition of leaving their region of origin to work elsewhere (marantau) and the structure of relationships within the extended family, as well as the potential value of traditional practices in modern society. The gap between their expectations that were formed early in their life and the realities of life in modern Indonesia often create serious problems of cultural consonance that represent a personal challenge for which there is no precedent and no established strategy to address.

This book is based on a long-term study of older Minangkabau in modern Indonesia with a focus on cultural consonance. It profiles the members of one family from a village in the highlands of West Sumatra whose members now live in cities across Indonesia as well as in their village of origin. The challenges but also the opportunities experienced by these individuals, and members of the older Minangkabau population in general, are characteristic of similar social change experienced across Indonesia in recent decades and illustrate the nature of culture shift in the rapidly urbanizing and modernizing context of modern Indonesia.

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Singapore Chronicles : Multiracialism / Norman Vasu & Juhi Ahuja
Singapore: IPS & Straits Time Press Pte Ltd., 2018
88p.

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126gm.

This book discusses the significance of multiracialism as one of the central components of nationhood in Singapore. It traces the manner in which race relations have been understood, developed, and managed from the colonial period to the present. Singapore's national security strategy remains primarily driven by the two conventional security concerns of protecting the country's sovereignty as well as maintaining public order. As such, a well-managed policy of multiracialism with its normative goal of maintaining social harmony is held to be key to the preservation of public order. In addition, multiracialism is key to nation-building in Singapore.

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