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Art

The Artist Speaks : Lee Wen / Adele Tan (Eds) Bruce Quek,
Elaine Ee & Lester Hio

Artist Speak Series

Singapore: National Gallery Singapore, 2020

128p.

9789811425325

1. Lee, Wen.
2. Performance artists – Singapore.
3. Art – Singapore – History.

\$ 30.00 / PB

316gm.

One of Singapore's most prominent performance artists, Lee Wen produced a body of provocative, thought-provoking, and sharply satirical works over three decades. Despite Singapore's decade-long proscription of funding for performance art, Lee Wen was indefatigable, pioneering the art form with searing expressive intensity. He confronted identity politics and issues of race, society and culture through a wide-ranging series of expansive, experimental performances. Presented in this title are writings, lyrics and drawings from Lee's extensive archives, offering personal insight to the rich associations, metaphors and tongue-in-cheek humour found in Lee's imaginative world. The Artist Speaks series presents an intimate look at artists through their words and workings, tracing the ideas, influences and

experiences – as told by artists themselves – that underlie their aesthetics.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730011>

Living with Ink : The Collection of Dr Tan Tsze Chor / (Ed)
Conan Cheong

Singapore: Asian Civilisations Museum, 2019

252p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789811435591

\$ 50.00 / PB

1070gm.

Living with Ink: The Collection of Dr Tan Tsze Chor accompanies an exhibition of the same name at the Asian Civilisations Museum (ACM). The book presents highlights from the Xiang Xue Zhuang Collection of Singapore's renowned art collector Dr Tan Tsze Chor, including paintings by modern Chinese masters Ren Yi, Xu Beihong, and Qi Baishi; as well as works borrowed from other institutions and private collectors made by artists in Singapore in the 1930s through the 1980s, when Dr Tan was building his collection. Since 2000, the Tan family has donated to ACM over 130 treasured Chinese paintings, porcelains, and scholars' objects from this collection. Living with Ink explores, through essays by Conan Cheong, Lee Chor Lin, Kuo Huei-Ying, how Chinese art was appreciated by networks of overseas Chinese collectors and philanthropists, giving you a glimpse into the Singapore art world in the turbulent 20th century. Full colour illustrations of all the artworks displayed in the exhibition are included.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730670>

Biography/Memoirs

A Chinese Seeker's Journey To Islam : An Autobiography of
Arif Peter Pang / (Eds) Wong Sher Maine, Jeffrey Low & Jamal
Soe Thien

Singapore: Peter Giap Oon @ Arif Peter Pang, 2020

236p.

Includes Bibliography

9789811463211

1. Pang, Peter Arif.
2. Muslim converts -- Singapore.
3. Chinese -- Singapore.

\$ 25.00 / PB

408gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=716948>

Governing : A Singapore Perspective / S Jayakumar

Singapore : Straits Times Press, 2020

192p.

9789814827911

\$ 28.00 / PB

290gm

Professor S. Jayakumar, a former minister, diplomat and law dean, shares his candid views on many facets of Singapore's governance, including fascinating first-hand and behind-the-scenes accounts.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735097>

Hello! Have You Eaten? : Memoirs of Food-Obsessed Nation /

Amanda Choy (Eds) Justin Zheng & Ruth Tang

Singapore: BooksActually (Math Paper Press), 2017

64p. ; 165x230mm.

9789811157523

\$ 16.50 / PB

296gm.

"This journey of mine welcomes you to slow down and stop for a moment to digest the purpose of food and eating.

To me, food is a catalyst for human connection. Memories of my late grandpa buying delectable food for my mother to her observations of my late grandma cooking in the kitchen are memories that are forever etched in my heart. These stories

are connected to me and will be passed on as legacies in their own right.

This journey is less about the food per se but rather the togetherness, bonding and love that follows after. What's the joy of the sumptuous feast in front of my eyes when I've no one to share it with? Eating in Asia means long round-table conversations, endless laughter and casual debates on best food joints. These never cease.

For one starts chatting from brunch to afternoon tea and before you'd know it, it's dessert after a hearty dinner. Live to eat, we say?"

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718673>

Home Is Where We Are / Wang Gungwu & Margaret Wang
Singapore: Ridge Books (NUS Press), 2021

viii, 300p. ; 229X152mm. ; 10 b/w images ; Casebound.

Includes Index

9789813251328

1. Wang, Gungwu.
2. Wang, Margaret.
3. Historians – Biography.
4. Malaya – History – 20th century.

\$ 22.00 / HB

606gm.

Does home have to be a country or a city? ... Or is home this house or that? We have been fortunate...We seemed always to have been home.

Wang Gungwu, historian of grand themes and broad perspectives, has held positions in universities around the world, from London and Cambridge to Kuala Lumpur, Canberra, Hong Kong and Singapore. This second volume of his memoirs, written with his wife Margaret, continues the very personal story begun in *Home is Not Here* (2018).

Wang's account of his years at the University of Malaya, captures the excitement, the ambition—and the naïveté—of young English-educated elites being prepared for leadership by the departing colonial power. He introduces us to some

outstanding personalities of this founding generation of two nations, including young medical student Mahathir Mohamad. We also see these years from Margaret's perspective, her own fascinating family story, and her impressions of this young bearded poet. The exploration of the emotional and intellectual journey towards the formation of an identity, treasured by readers of *Home is Not Here*, extends in this volume into an appreciation of love, family life, and the life of the mind. Wise and moving, this is a fascinating reflection on identity and belonging, and on the ability of the individual to find a place amidst the historical currents that have shaped Asia and the world.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730012>

A Life Intertwined : Reminiscences of an Accidental Raffles Historian / Leslie Danker

Singapore: Raffles Hotel Singapore, 2020

128p.

9789811463037

1. Danker, Leslie, 1939-.
2. Raffles Hotel – Employees – Anecdotes.
3. Raffles Hotel – History – Anecdotes.
4. Executives – Singapore – Biography.

\$ 40.00 / PB

328gm.

'A Life Intertwined', by Resident Historian, Leslie Danker, released to mark the hotel's 133rd birthday. Produced in partnership with National Heritage Board (NHB), the aptly-named memoir recounts the rich history and heritage of the iconic property through Danker's collection of mementos and trivia, as well as interesting anecdotes from his 48-year career at the hotel.

Interspersed with clippings, illustrations, notes and photos of Raffles Hotel Singapore's illustrious history, 'A Life Intertwined' is a nostalgic recollection of Danker's personal stories and reminiscences of the hotel. The book chronicled his first visit

to Raffles Hotel Singapore when he was 18 years old, from his first position as the hotel's maintenance supervisor in 1972, his personal recount of the transformation of the Grand Dame through two restorations, to his journey of becoming an 'accidental historian' shortly after the first restoration began in 1989, because of his in-depth knowledge of the hotel.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718364>

Navigating and Transforming Lives : A Chronology by the 34th and 1801 Sea Scouts Group, Singapore / (Eds) Laura Lau & Aileen Tan Boon

Singapore: Suntree Media Pte Ltd., 2020

136p.

9789811425783

\$ 35.00 / PB

550gm.

The history of 34-1801 Sea Scout from Perak House memoir on the overland expedition of young sea scout boys to England , sea scouting activities, band and achievements.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730013>

Life After Bahau : From Adversity in War to a Lifetime of Achievement : A True Life Autobiography of Peter GS Lim / Peter GS Lim

Singapore: Patridge, 2020

104p.

9781543757743

\$ 18.00 / PB

148gm.

This memoir tells of the hardship faced by my family escaping from the Japanese invasion in once peaceful Singapore. Running away from my home to another country, without decent food or any future, at only 6 months old, how I survived with no milk but solely on sweet potatoes grown by my mother and siblings with their bare hands from soil that

was mainly clay, and unsuitable for agriculture. Despite the disadvantages of being over age for schooling, and with the hard life that was brought to my family, I was considered most fortunate among my siblings to have survived from the war, despite the lack of nutritional food. I was even later in my teen ventured to London from Singapore, hoping to better myself, by land through treacherous countries and learn about the different cultures. Graduated as a graphic designer from the London College of Printing, came back to Singapore to set up a design studio, operated a childcare centre, and years later attached to a Multinational IT company as an Education Councillor before my retirement in 2018.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730018>

Steering a Middle Course : From Activist to Secretary General of Golkar/ Sarwono Kusumaatmadja
Singapore: ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2020
260p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789814881654

\$ 28.00 / HB

Born with motor impairment, Sarwono Kusumaatmadja grew up with low self-esteem. Yet, within this awkward, shy boy lay a steely resolve to overcome his weaknesses. It was this same resolve that propelled him to study at high school in the United Kingdom, thousands of miles from his native land. Navigating life on his own in the UK forged Sarwono into an independent and resilient individual; one who never flinched in the face of challenges, but also one who never wanted to play the hero either.

His unique character and integrity acted like a magnet for opportunities back home in Indonesia. He was chosen to be Chairman of the University Student Council of the Bandung Institute of Technology even though he did not campaign for it. And when he made it into the national parliament, it was at the behest of the military. He then became Secretary General of Golkar, the country's ruling party, without having to pull any strings.

In taking on all the opportunities that came his way, Sarwono remained true to himself, which later meant saying no to President Soeharto when the latter tried to recruit him to be part of his inner circle.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735101>

Ecology/Environment

A Guide to the Bees of Singapore / Zestin W.W. Soh & John S. Ascher

Singapore: National Parks Board, 2020

148p.

Includes Index

9789811455353

\$ 25.00 / PB

356gm.

Our City in Nature would not be complete without the array of beautiful bee species that serve as some of our most important pollinators. A collaboration between the National Parks Board and the University of Singapore, this guide reveals the remarkable diversity of bees found in various habitats across Singapore, from tiny honey-producing stingless bees to giant wood-excavating carpenter bees. The book includes 96 species accounts covering all the regularly encountered bees in Singapore, including close-up photographs and diagnostic information, a complete checklist of all bee species known from Singapore, and tips on bee-friendly gardening. It will enable budding naturalists, citizen scientists and researchers to identify the bees found in various habitats and provide a resource for students and teachers to discover the fascinating lives of these important insects.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=717100>

Flora Of Singapore, Vol. 1 : Introduction / (Ed) D.J. Middleton, J. Leong-Skornickova & S. Lindsay

Singapore: National Parks Board, 2019
x, 134p. ; 47 colour & b/w photos, b/w illustrations, and colour
maps, 10 tables.
Includes Index
9789811430237
\$ 39.50 / HB
536gm.

The first of a 14-volume flora produced by the National Parks Board Singapore. Volume 1 contains the introductory chapters.

The Flora of Singapore aims to describe the more than 3,000 native, naturalised and casual species of plants in Singapore. Botanists have been collecting and studying the plant diversity of Singapore for over 200 years, but never before has there been a comprehensive consolidation of all major plants groups only for Singapore. As of now, over 100 experts have committed to contribute to the project, more than half of which are based outside of Singapore. With the rigorous approach taken to ensure taxonomic and nomenclatural accuracy, the Flora of Singapore will be of interest to anybody studying the plant diversity of Singapore.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718205>

Flora Of Singapore, Vol. 7 : Poales / (Ed) D.J. Middleton, J. Leong-Skornickova & S. Lindsay
Singapore: National Parks Board, 2019
x, 526p. ; 140 colour photos and b/w line drawings.
Includes Index
9789811430244
\$ 99.50 / HB
1450gm.

Part of a 14-volume flora produced by the National Parks Board Singapore, volume 7 covers the order Poales. The order has 16 families of which only five are native in Singapore and two are naturalised. Of the five native families, Poaceae and Cyperaceae are large and found throughout the world in a

wide range of habitats, Eriocaulaceae is primarily tropical but with some species in temperate regions, Xyridaceae is also chiefly tropical but extends into the temperate southern hemisphere and Flagellariaceae is a tropical and subtropical Old World family. The two introduced and naturalised families are Mayacaceae, which is native to tropical and subtropical America and Angola, and Typhaceae, which is a largely temperate family. Globally, the Poales has about 1073 genera and about 23,500 species. In Singapore, there are 84 genera, of which 16 are known only from introduced species, and 238 species, of which 46 are casual or naturalised introduced species. At 19% of the total, this is a particularly high percentage of introduced species. The accounts of the families in the Poales have relied on a combination of expertise in Singapore Botanic Gardens, along with collaboration from the Royal Botanic Gardens Kew, the Forest Research Institute Malaysia, and Naturalis in Leiden. The Flora of Singapore aims to describe the more than 3,000 native, naturalised and casual species of plants in Singapore. Botanists have been collecting and studying the plant diversity of Singapore for over 200 years, but never before has there been a comprehensive consolidation of all major plants groups only for Singapore. As of now, over 100 experts have committed to contribute to the project, more than half of which are based outside of Singapore. With the rigorous approach taken to ensure taxonomic and nomenclatural accuracy, the Flora of Singapore will be of interest to anybody studying the plant diversity of Singapore.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718207>

Flora Of Singapore, Vol. 13 : Gentianales / (Ed) D.J. Middleton,
J. Leong-Skornickova & S. Lindsay
Singapore: National Parks Board, 2019
x, 654p. ; 178 colour photos and b/w line drawings.
Includes Index
9789811430251
\$ 99.50 / HB
1760gm.

Part of a 14-volume flora produced by the National Parks Board Singapore, volume 13 covers only one order of plants – the Gentianales. The order has five families: Rubiaceae, Gentianaceae, Loganiaceae, Gelsemiaceae and Apocynaceae. The Loganiaceae and Gelsemiaceae are more or less exclusively tropical and subtropical; the Rubiaceae and Apocynaceae are primarily tropical and subtropical but have small numbers of species in temperate regions; and the Gentianaceae is most diverse in the tropics but also has very large numbers of species in the temperate-alpine regions. In Singapore, they are primarily woody plants and range from subshrubs and epiphytes to large lianas and emergent trees. Globally, the Gentianales has about 1110 genera and about 20,725 species. In Singapore, where all five families are present, there are 93 genera, of which 5 are known only from introduced species, and 253 species, of which 15 are casual or naturalised introduced species. At 6% of the total, this is a fairly low percentage of introduced species compared to many other orders. The Flora of Singapore aims to describe the more than 3,000 native, naturalised and casual species of plants in Singapore. Botanists have been collecting and studying the plant diversity of Singapore for over 200 years, but never before has there been a comprehensive consolidation of all major plants groups only for Singapore. As of now, over 100 experts have committed to contribute to the project, more than half of which are based outside of Singapore. With the rigorous approach taken to ensure taxonomic and nomenclatural accuracy, the Flora of Singapore will be of interest to anybody studying the plant diversity of Singapore.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718206>

History

Early Hawkers in Singapore: 1920s to 1930s / Tr by Lai Chee Kien

Singapore : Focus Publishing, 2020

180p.
9789811472350
\$ 26.00 / PB
390gm.

The hawker centre is an integral part of Singapore's urban landscape. As they are now easily found all around the island, many may not be aware that the concept of housing hawkers within designated space was not common before Singapore's independence in 1965. Instead, hawkers plied the streets on foot, toting their wares in portable makeshift stalls.

Illustrator Chang Yang captured the street hawkers from the 20s and 30s in a series titled "Our Vanishing Street Hawkers" (消失了的过街小贩), which ran in of the Singapore's Chinese evening dailies, the Lianhe Wanbao, from 1987 - 1988. Accompanying the illustrations were informative passages, describing in details how the hawkers conducted business, where they could be found, the types of customers they attracted and even the hawker's outfits.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735107>

Encounters and Connected Histories : The East Indies and Singapore Before 1819 / Barbara Watson Andaya (et al.) (Ed) Stephanie Yeo
Singapore: National Museum of Singapore, 2020
147p.
9789811451461
\$ 40.00 / HB
646gm.

In September 2019, the National Museum of Singapore launched An Old New World: From the East Indies to the Founding of Singapore, 1600s-1819, a special exhibition held in commemoration of Singapore's Bicentennial, as well as organised an international conference entitled Encounters & Connected Histories: Prelude to 1819. The conference

brought international academics and museum practitioners together to explore Singapore's founding as an East India Company entrepot in 1819, within the overall theme of the sea as a historical passageway, and the interactions between the overseas trading companies and local communities in the two centuries before 1819. This book is inspired by An Old New World and the papers presented at the conference, and the many discussions they generated.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730007>

Christian Circulations : Global Christianity and the Local Church in Penang and Singapore, 1819-2000 / Jean DeBernardi

Singapore: NUS Press, 2020

xx, 432p. ; 229x152mm. ; 40 b/w images ; 5 b/w map.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789813251090

1. Brethen churches – Malaysia – Pulau Pinang (State) – History.
2. Brethen churches – Singapore – History.
3. Independent churches – Malaysia – Pulau Pinang (State) – History.
4. Independent churches – Singapore – History.

\$ 32.00 / PB

658gm.

In postcolonial Singapore and Malaysia, Pentecostal megachurches dominate the Christian landscape, but the "big four" Protestant churches—Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian and Brethren—remain religions of heritage for many. Sixty Malaysian and nineteen Singaporean assemblies identify themselves as Christian Brethren, and most trace their roots to independent local churches formed in Penang and Singapore in the 1860s. After World War II, the Brethren promoted new forms of evangelical practice, and former Brethren elders founded independent churches, from charismatic local churches to Pentecostal megachurches. This study is a transregional history of the Brethren movement and

its emplacement in Singapore and Malaysia, but is also a history of discontinuous continuities that have shaped the modern field of religious practice in China and Southeast Asia.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730009>

Once Upon A Time In Singapore / Hsu Chung Mao

Taipei, Taiwan: Nueva Vision Co., Ltd., 2020

256p.

9789868852082

\$ 600.00 / HB

1860gm.

Commemoration of the 55th Anniversary of the Founding of the Republic of Singapore

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718011>

In Honour Of War Heroes : Colin St Clair Oakes and the

Design of Kranji War Memorial / Athanasios Tsakonas

Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2020

288p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789814893367

\$ 26.00 / PB

372gm.

At the end of World War II, a young British architect was appointed to design a series of cemeteries and memorials across Asia for the war dead. Colin St Clair Oakes, who had fought in the brutal Burma campaign, was the only veteran of the recent war among the five principal architects of the Imperial War Graves Commission. Completed in 1957, Kranji War Cemetery and Memorial in Singapore is a masterwork of Modernist architecture – a culmination of Oakes' experiences in war and his evolution as an architect.

Richly illustrated with photographs, maps and architectural plans, and drawing on extensive archival research and interviews in Europe, Australia and Asia, this is a riveting

account of a world shattered by war, and man's heroic efforts to recover, remember and rebuild.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718405>

Law

Insolvency, Restructuring and Dissolution Act Compendium /
Arjindepal Singh, Adriel Chioh Wen Qiang & Alexander Lee Wei
Singapore: LexisNexis, 2020

1v.

9789814892537

\$ 160.00 / PB

The Insolvency, Restructuring and Dissolution Act ("IRDA"), which came into force on 30 July 2020, amended and consolidated the written laws governing corporate insolvency and bankruptcy in Singapore while introducing new provisions aimed at making Singapore a more attractive hub for debt restructuring and cross-border insolvency. Insolvency, Restructuring and Dissolution Act Compendium aims to take practitioners, in-house counsel and corporates through the updates via concise commentary comprising an in-depth overview of the IRDA, together with an exposition of relevant case law. It will also be an invaluable resource for further issue-specific research or pointers for further research avenues.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735110>

The Law and Practice of Singapore Income Tax, 3rd Edition /
Darren Koh, Poh Eng Hin & Tang Siau Yan

3rd Edition

Singapore: LexisNexis, 2020

1v.

9789814892414

\$ 350.00 / HB

A most comprehensive and concise reference book on taxation of income for tax professionals. This edition aims to explain the fundamental changes to the tax landscape and

updates on the Second Edition with a comprehensive coverage and analysis of case law developments, administrative guides and practical application of the income tax law, tax treaties and international tax agreements.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735111>

Take-overs and Mergers, 3rd Edition / Chandrasegar

Chidambaran

3rd Edition

Singapore: LexisNexis, 2020

1v.

9789814892322

\$ 295.00 / PB

Take-overs and Mergers, 3rd Edition provides a detailed and systematic account of the law and practice relating to take-overs and mergers.

The emphasis throughout is on practice and procedure. The underlying reasons and purposes for the Rules and General Principles are discussed in detail to provide a clearer understanding of the rationale for the Rules and General Principles, and the philosophy of the regulators. This latest edition has been carefully structured to provide a comprehensive guide to assist investment bankers, legal practitioners and all other professionals involved in take-overs and mergers. The regulatory framework of the financial markets, the Securities and Futures Act, the SGX-ST Listing Manual, the Competition Act, the Companies Act and the Singapore Code on Take-overs and Mergers are covered in detail.

- Carefully crafted as a work of reference for practitioners and others involved in mergers and acquisitions and is essential reading for them
- The only standard work available on take-overs and mergers in Singapore
- The work contains transactional documents (including key documents such as the offer document, the target board circular, press announcement and schemes of arrangement document from actual transactions)
- SIC Public Statements, Practice Notes and Key Rulings are analyzed and reproduced in this Edition

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735112>

Evidence and the Litigation Process, 7th Edition / Jeffrey

Pinsler

7th Edition

Singapore: LexisNexis, 2020

1v.

9789814892377

\$ 240.00 / PB

Since the 6th Edition of Evidence and the Litigation Process, there have been developments that affected almost every area of the Law of Evidence in all proceedings. This edition covers:

- Important statutory reforms affecting civil and criminal proceedings, as introduced by the Evidence (Amendment) Act 2018 and Criminal Justice Reform Act 2018, Criminal Procedure Code (Amendment) Act 2019 and related statutory sources and regulations
- Case law developments concerning expert evidence, burdens of proof, standards of proof, hearsay, character and similar fact evidence, witness examination, modes of presenting evidence, evidence by video link, presentation of exhibits, the court's discretion to exclude evidence, ancillary hearings to determine the admissibility of statements, voluntariness and reliability, presumptions of law, legal advice privilege, litigation privilege, privilege as between entities and their in-house counsel, marital privilege, without prejudice privilege, State privilege, DNA evidence and the process for agreeing to the use of documents in civil proceedings.

This book provides a balance between analytical discussion of the principles and the practical application of the law and includes numerous illustrations and practice-related situations for this purpose. It offers students an intensely detailed and integrated portrait of the litigation process (including procedure and advocacy) and is therefore a vital source of reference for their studies. This book recognises that this subject is particularly difficult primarily because of the difficulties inherent in the Evidence Act (a significant part of which remains in the state it was enacted in 1893), and the tension between this statute and the constantly developing

common law. No effort is spared in tackling these problems and examining all applicable sources of law. This highly successful publication has already sold thousands of copies in the course of the first six editions.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735113>

Lye Lin Heng's Landlord and Tenant Law in Singapore, 2nd Edition / Lye, Lin Heng, Koh, Swee Yen & Chew, Elaine
2nd Edition

Singapore: LexisNexis, 2020

Ivii, 337p. ; 25cm.

9789814892230

\$ 150.00 / PB

This book is the second edition of Landlord and Tenant Law by Lye Lin Heng (published in 1990 by Malaya Law Review & Butterworths), which was part of the Singapore Law Series. Comprising twelve chapters, the book is divided into four parts. Part I (Chapters One to Five) introduces the reader to the lease and the special nature of the landlord and tenant relationship. Part II (Chapters Six to Eight) focuses on the rights and obligations of the parties. Part III (Chapters Nine and Ten) deals with the termination of the relationship and examines the different modes of termination and the rights of the parties on termination. Part IV (Chapters Eleven and Twelve) is on Special Leases and it focuses on the HDB Lease (Public Housing) and on Green Leases respectively. This book is aimed at a wide audience, particularly law students, legal practitioners, property developers, real estate agents and the informed layman. It analyses legal concepts and cases, and covers practical aspects such as stamp fees and solicitors' costs, as well as the procedure for recovery of arrears of rent, and recovery of possession for breach of covenants. The book also highlights the inadequacies of some principles of English land law (on which Singapore's landlord and tenant law is based), which were developed in a rural, feudal economy. They may not be relevant today, and readers are encouraged to take a critical approach in the context of the urban environment that is Singapore today, drawing on the rich

experience of other common law jurisdictions which are discussed in this book.

This book also contains a new supplement chapter that discusses the challenges and laws stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic, including:

- The obligations between landlord and tenant under the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) Act
- The rental relief framework for tenants under the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Amendment) Act
- The Fair Tenancy Framework and Fair Tenancy Framework Industry Committee

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735114>

Criminal Appeals in Singapore / Christopher Corns
Singapore: Sweet & Maxwell Asia (Thomson Reuters), 2020
1v.
9789811453311
\$ 180.00 / HB

Criminal Appeals in Singapore is a comprehensive, practical and authoritative guide to the law and practice of criminal appeals in Singapore. This book provides a step-by-step account of criminal appeals for all the criminal courts in Singapore and includes flow charts for improved usability. The title explains the rights and grounds of appeal against conviction and sentence, and the way in which appeal courts approach the various types and grounds of appeal as well as the various appeal rights of the prosecution. Up to date, leading cases relevant to all of the central principals are discussed and explained ensuring the content is as comprehensive and up-to-date as possible.

The book also focuses on the role and rights of the prosecution in criminal appeals as well as the constitutional importance of criminal appeals in the overall legal system. A detailed historical account of the development of criminal appeals in Singapore is included in addition to a detailed account of criminal appeals from the Courts Martial to the Military Court of Appeal.

Criminal Appeals in Singapore provides a “one-stop shop” to assist the busy practitioner with all aspects of criminal appeals.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735115>

Reflections on the Making of the Modern Law of the Sea /
Satya N. Nandan & Kristine E. Dalaker

Singapore: Ridge Books (NUS Press), 2021

xxii, 290p. ; 229X152mm. ; 14 b/w images.

Includes Index ; Bibliographical references.

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1. Law of the Sea.
2. Law of the Sea – History.
3. Nandan, Satya N.

\$ 32.00 / PB

466gm.

The United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) is one of our most successful agreements to govern the global commons. If it is a constitution for the oceans, Satya Nandan is one of the founders: one of the few key personalities behind the agreement, and the subsequent development of Law of the Sea in the decades since UNCLOS was adopted. He led the drafting of the key negotiating text, most of which made its way, unaltered, into the Convention's final text.

How did a family lawyer from the Pacific nation of Fiji come to play such a pivotal role in this important area of diplomacy and international law? Armed with his trademark pencil, Nandan used his creativity, pragmatism and penchant for language to reach compromise and build consensus at nearly every stage in the making of the modern law of the sea. In this book, he elaborates on the techniques and skills he brought to bear on this task, the alliances he formed with colleagues from different countries and the strategies that worked in this complex, multi-dimensional negotiation. At a time when the stakes involved in managing the global commons could not be higher, Nandan's experience and wisdom could not be more relevant and important.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735116>

Singapore Master Tax Guide Handbook 2020/21/ Tan How
Teck
39th Edition
Singapore: CCH Singapore (Wolters Kluwer), 2020
1v.
9789814838016
\$ 160.00 / PB

The annual Singapore Master Tax Guide Handbook has been a key reference for the Singapore Tax and Accounting Community in the last four decades. With its clear explanations, worked examples and useful tables, readers can confidently and quickly navigate all areas of tax concepts and applications. Essential for all accountants, tax lawyers, financial advisors and students.

Now in its 39th edition, the Singapore Master Tax Guide Handbook 2020/21 remains the authoritative guide for all professionals and students preparing for university, professional and polytechnic tax examinations.

The key changes for this edition cover the following:

- ☒ Income Tax (Amendment) Act 2019
- ☒ Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) Act 2019
- ☒ Variable Capital Companies (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act 2019
- ☒ New treaties signed in 2019
- ☒ New or revised IRAS circulars issued in 2019
- ☒ Selected tax judgments passed in 2019
- ☒ Budget Announcement 2020

Practitioners who need a quick reference to Singapore tax will also find this annual publication extremely useful.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735118>

Singapore Income Tax Act (Cap 134) / (Ed) Wolters Kluwer
Editors
13th Edition
Singapore: CCH Singapore (Wolters Kluwer), 2020
1v.
9789814838078
\$ 80.00 / PB

An easy to use resource for tax practitioners and students on its own, this handy reference can also be used together with our Singapore Tax Workbook or our Singapore Master Tax Guide Handbook to optimize your understanding of Singaporean Tax Law!

This book reproduces the Income Tax Act (Cap. 134, 2014 Ed.) updated with all amendments up to and including the following amendment Act and Order:

- ☒ Income Tax (Amendment) Act 2019
- ☒ Income Tax Act (Amendment of Seventh Schedule) Order 2019

The law in this book is updated as at 3 January 2020.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735119>

Singapore Revenue Legislation 2020, 2 Volume Set
11th Edition

Singapore: CCH Singapore (Wolters Kluwer), 2020
2v.

\$ 250.00 (Set) / PB

A comprehensive consolidation of the legislation, this 2 volume set incorporates all amendments up to 3 January 2020. An invaluable one-stop reference for practitioners, whether for use in the courtroom or office.

Volume 1:

Volume 1 of the two-volume set comprising Singapore Revenue Legislation 2020 is a compilation of the following legislation governing taxation law in Singapore:

- ☒ Income Tax Act, and
- ☒ related regulations, rules, orders and notifications

Volume 2:

Volume 2 of the two-volume set comprising Singapore Revenue Legislation 2020 is a compilation of the following legislation governing taxation law in Singapore:

- ☒ Economic Expansion Incentives (Relief from Income Tax) Act
- ☒ Goods and Services Tax Act, and

- ☒ Stamp Duties Act.

It also includes related regulations, rules, orders and notifications.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735120>

Literature

Black Waters, Pink Sands / Ng Yi-Sheng
Singapore: Math Paper Press (BooksActually), 2020
254p. ; 110x180mm.
9789811473715
\$ 14.99 / PB
192gm.

In this book, you'll find the annotated scripts of two acclaimed lecture performances written by Ng Yi-Sheng, exploring forgotten chapters of Singapore history.

Ayer Hitam: a Black History of Singapore explores the history and influence of the African diaspora in Singapore over two hundred years. It trawls the archive for stories of slavery, colonialism, jazz and nationalist struggle, reaffirming the value of black culture in our shared heritage. Collaboratively created with Sharon Frese and Irfan Kasban for the M1 Fringe Festival, this work commemorates the black men and women — enslaved, indentured and expatriate— who crossed the oceans into unknown territory.

Desert Blooms: the Dawn of Queer Singapore Theatre traces the history of Singapore theatre from 1985 to 1995, revealing how LGBT representation first emerged and flourished on the local stage. Using excerpts of scripts, interviews and news articles, it reveals how the works of Russell Heng, Chay Yew, Eleanor Wong, Ovidia Yu, Haresh Sharma, Goh Boon Teck, Otto Fong, G Selvanathan and others were in dialogue with contemporary developments in HIV/AIDS, club raids and early activism.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730661>

Animal Season / Cyril Wong

Singapore: Math Paper Press (BooksActually), 2020
84p. ; 110x180mm.
9789811473708
\$ 10.00 / PB
68gm.

From a crow and his famous pitcher to a story about a spiteful bee, Aesop's fables have been known to instruct or affirm universal truths. For Cyril Wong, however, many of them have much to answer for, their allegorical messages leaving much to be desired in a world potentially without meaning or grand design. *Animal Season* takes over from where the more familiar fables left off, interrogating the originals or rewriting them, in the hope that new truths might be unearthed.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730662>

Maid in Singapore / Michael H Chua
Singapore: Eskay Media, 2020
168p.
9789811464676
\$ 12.00 / PB
354gm.

"Maid In Singapore" is a story of an impoverished Filipina who escapes from a sleazy entertainment circuit to become a maid and subsequently working herself into an online celebrity influencer secretly until her life was disrupted unexpectedly.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=716899>

One To The Dark Tower Comes / Yeow Kai Chai
Singapore: Firstfruits Publications (Mediaexodus llp), 2020
128p.
9789811451829
\$ 30.00 / PB
266gm.

The book title *One To The Dark Tower Comes* alludes to Robert Browning's 1855 poem 'Childe Roland To The Dark Tower Came'. This collection can be seen as one half of a diptych together with the 2006 collection *Pretend I'm Not Here*, but can also be read by itself.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718275>

Crazy Little Pyromaniacs : 35 Poets Under 35 / (Eds) Andrea Yew & Crispin Rodrigues

Singapore: Math Paper Press (BookActually), 2020

164p. ; 125x210mm.

9789811453090

\$ 18.00 / PB

174gm.

Crazy Little Pyromaniacs brings together 35 yet-unpublished Singapore poets who are 35 years-old and younger to plot future trajectories for Singapore and chart the course of Singapore writing. Featuring formal experimentations and poetic responses to the political and cultural shift of the times, these poets capture the exuberance of youthfulness while anticipating the anguish of the world that lies ahead. Edited by Crispin Rodrigues and Andrea Yew, the anthology stands as a checkpoint of poetry that is bubbling just beneath the surface, waiting to burst free.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735124>

Performing Arts

Sonic City : Making Rock Music and Urban Life in Singapore / Steve Ferzacca

Singapore: NUS Press, 2020

xviii, 166p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789813251083

1. Rock music – Singapore – 20th century.
2. Rock music – Singapore – 21st century.
3. Rock music – Singapore.

4. Rock group – Singapore.
\$ 32.00 / PB
280gm.

Singapore, Rock City. On any given day in the basement of Peninsula Plaza, a shopping mall in central Singapore, Singaporeans of different ethnicities and ages can be found imagining and living a way of life through music. Based on five years of deep participatory experience, this sonic ethnography is centered around a community of noisy people who make rock music within the constraints of urban life in Singapore. The heart and soul of this community is English Language rock-and-roll music pioneered in Singapore by several members of the legendary 1960s “beats and blues” band, The Straydogs, who continue to engage this community in a sonic way of life.

Grounded in sound studies, Ferzacca draws on Bruno Latour’s ideas of the social—continually emergent, constantly in-the-making, “associations of heterogeneous elements” of human and non-human “mediators and intermediaries”—to portray a community entangled in the confounding relations between vernacular and national heritage projects. Music shops, music gear, music genres, sound, urban space, neighborhoods, State presence, performance venues, practice spaces, regional travel, local, national, regional, and sonic histories afford expected and unexpected opportunities for work, play, and meaning, in the contemporary music scene in this Southeast Asian city-state. The emergent quality of this deep sound is fiercely cosmopolitan, yet entirely Singaporean.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730273>

Politics

The Roots of Resilience : Party Machines and Grassroots
Politics in Singapore and Malaysia / Meredith L. Weiss
Singapore: NUS Press, 2020

xiv, 274p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789813251212

1. United Malays National Organisation.
2. Barisan Nasional (Organization).
3. People's Action Party (Singapore).
4. Political parties – Malaysia.
5. Political parties – Singapore.
6. Political culture – Malaysia.
7. Political culture – Singapore.
8. Democracy – Malaysia.
9. Democracy – Singapore.
10. Authoritarianism – Malaysia.
11. Authoritarianism – Singapore.
12. Malaysia – Politics and government.
13. Singapore – Politics and government.

\$ 32.00 / PB

426gm.

The Roots of Resilience examines politics from the ground up in Singapore and Malaysia—two regimes that blend politically liberal and authoritarian features in their governance. Although curbed civil liberties and a dose of coercion help sustain these regimes, selectively structured state policies and patronage, partisan machines that effectively stand in for local governments, and diligently sustained clientelist relations between politicians and constituents are equally important. Although key attributes of Singapore and Malaysia differ, affecting the scope, character, and balance among national parties and policies, local machines, and personalized linkages—and notwithstanding a momentous change of government in Malaysia in 2018—many similarities remain in the way their dominant political parties have evolved and developed their relationships with the ground. As Meredith Weiss shows, taken together, these attributes accustom citizens to the system in place, making meaningful change in electoral mobilization and policymaking all the harder. This authoritarian acculturation is key to both regimes'

durability, but, given weaker party competition and party–civil society links, stronger in Singapore than Malaysia. High levels of authoritarian acculturation, amplifying the political payoffs of what parties and politicians actually provide their constituents, explain why electoral turnover alone would be insufficient for real regime change in either state.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730275>

China Reconnects : Joining a Deep-rooted Past to a New World Order / Wang Gungwu

Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd. 2019
xx, 188p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789811203602

1. Globalization – China.
2. China – History.
3. China – Economic conditions.
4. China – Civilization – 21st century.

\$ 30.00 / PB

388gm.

The book shows how the Chinese are now confident of their capacity to learn all they need from the developed world and are keen to know which parts of the past they would need to build a modern Chinese civilization. They are very conscious of the challenges coming from the United States, and are looking for ways and means to respond to a superpower that wants to preserve its dominant position in the international status quo. The book seeks to explain what China is doing and what its immediate and long-term interests are. It is not to defend or judge China. It does not employ theoretical frameworks that are not appropriate for describing Chinese conditions. It calls for understanding why history is particularly relevant to the Chinese state and most of its people. That way, we also see how the present and hopes for the future changes our perspectives of the past.

Readership: Academics, professionals, policy-makers and students interested in how China might see its future.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=618375>

US vs China : From Trade War to Reciprocal Deal / Thomas W. Pauken II

Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2020
xx, 324p.

Includes Bibliography

9789811205194

1. United States – Commerce – China.
2. China – Commerce – United States.
3. United States – Foreign economic relations – China.
4. China – Foreign economic relations – United States.
5. Tariff – United States.
6. Tariff – China.

\$ 25.00 / PB

514gm.

US vs China: From Trade War to Reciprocal Deal gives readers an up close account on the rough-and-tumble trade talks between the US and China. The book provides a neutral and balanced perspective in addressing the historical, political and cultural backgrounds that had made US-China trade wars inevitable, but also explores how the two richest and most powerful countries and long-time rivals may eventually reach a consensus to support a bilateral trade agreement for the ages.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=729998>

PAP v PAP : The Party's Struggle to Adap to a Changing Singapore / Cherian George & Donald Low

Singapore: Academia SG, 2020

xii, 164p.

9789811476587

\$ 35.00 / PB

334gm.

The book, PAP v. PAP: The Party's struggle to adapt to a changing S'pore, will focus on how Singapore's ruling party might cope with new expectations post-GE2020.

The book will be an anthology composed of both George's and Low's numerous commentaries on local politics over the years. It will also include new essays written in 2020.

As reflected in the title, the book will touch on the ruling party's internal struggles as it attempts to reconcile its long-held traditions with more progressive goals for the future.

In publicity material, George and Low cited a quote by the late Lee Kuan Yew, who as Singapore's first prime minister stated that rejecting activists with new ideas would be "inviting breakdown of the system", something which PAP should internalise in order to adapt to an ever-changing world now.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730002>

GE2020 : Fair or Foul? / Bertha Henson

Singapore: Epigram Books, 2020

232p. ; 152x225mm.

Includes Index

9789814901512

1. Elections – Singapore – 21st century.
2. Singapore – Politics and government – 21st century.
3. Political campaigns – Singapore – 21st century.

\$ 26.00 / PB

340gm.

Singapore's 2020 general election saw its fair share of drama and comedy, and the results were not unexpected. But beyond the polls, the hard truth is impossible to avoid—the electoral system is in dire need of an overhaul. Former journalist and university lecturer Bertha Henson takes you through the days leading up to 10 July 2020 and peels back the veneer of Singapore politics. Aided by a team of NUS undergraduates, she draws on her past experience covering Singapore's polls to give you a blow-by-blow account of the campaign, and some cold truths about the political playing field.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=720525>

Indonesia's Ministry of Religious Affairs under Joko Widodo /
Syafiq Hasyim, Norshahril Saat
Singapore: ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2020
25p.
ISBN: 9789814951234
Trends in Southeast Asia, Issue No. 13, 2020
\$ 9.00 / PB

Indonesia is the most populous Muslim country in the world, with 87.18 per cent of its 260 million population embracing the Islamic faith. However, Indonesia is neither an Islamic state nor a secular one. It adopts Pancasila as the state ideology but has a Ministry of Religious Affairs (MORA) overseeing six official religions.

MORA has its genesis in Dutch colonial rule (1602–1942). It was strengthened during the Japanese occupation (1942–45) and then sustained by the post-independence Indonesian government (after 1945). The decision to keep MORA was to compensate those who had aspired for the enactment of the Jakarta Charter in the era of Sukarno but failed.

MORA has always been the arena for contestation between the traditionalist Nahdlatul Ulama (NU) and the modernist Muhammadiyah. Both organizations eye not only the minister post, or leadership positions in the bureaucracy, but also lower ranking positions.

This article examines how MORA has been managed under President Joko Widodo (Jokowi) from 2014 till the present. It highlights similarities and differences in Jokowi's control of the influential ministry compared to his predecessors. In 2014, even though Jokowi was elected on a reform agenda, he left MORA untouched.

After the 2019 election, Jokowi appointed Fachrul Razi, a retired general as Minister of Religious Affairs, departing from past practices of naming a religious scholar (ulama) or a religiously trained person (santri) to that position. This demonstrates a wish on the part of the President to shake up

the ministry and to exert control over the institution. This decision, however, has alienated core supporters in NU who helped him get re-elected in 2019.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735130>

Democracy in Indonesia : From Stagnation to Regression? /
(Eds) Thomas Power & Eve Warburton
Singapore: ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2020
393p.

Includes Index

9789814881517

\$ 42.00 / HB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735131>

Democracy in Indonesia : From Stagnation to Regression? /
(Eds) Thomas Power & Eve Warburton
Singapore: ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2020
393p.

Includes Index

9789814881500

\$ 32.00 / PB

Indonesia has long been hailed as a rare case of democratic transition and persistence in an era of global democratic setbacks. But as the country enters its third decade of democracy, such laudatory assessments have become increasingly untenable. The stagnation that characterized Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono's second presidential term has given way to a more far-reaching pattern of democratic regression under his successor, Joko Widodo.

This volume is the first comprehensive study of Indonesia's contemporary democratic decline. Its contributors identify, explain and debate the signs of regression, including arbitrary state crackdowns on freedom of speech and organization, the rise of vigilantism, deepening political polarization, populist mobilization, the dysfunction of key democratic institutions, and the erosion of checks and balances on executive power. They ask why Indonesia, until recently considered a beacon of

democratic exceptionalism, increasingly conforms to the global pattern of democracy in retreat.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735132>

The Bersih Movement and Democratisation in Malaysia :
Repression, Dissent and Opportunities / Khoo Ying Hooi
Singapore/Malaysia: ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute & SIRD,
2020

208p.

Includes Bibliography

9789814951128

\$ 28.00 / PB

Beginning in 2005 as a small electoral reform committee, the Coalition for Clean and Fair Elections--or Bersih--soon became Malaysia's most prominent social movement, mobilising five mass demonstrations on the streets of Kuala Lumpur and other cities at home and abroad, becoming a prominent voice not only for electoral reform, but also against corruption and authoritarianism.

Based on participant observation approach and first-hand interviews with key actors, this is the first academic book that looks into how Bersih operated within an authoritarian system that turned into a movement that aggregated the collective grievance of Malaysians and enabled Malaysian socio-political activism to force the government to concede to elements of electoral reform. Engaging with social movement theory, the author locates Bersih at the centre of the movement for democracy in Malaysia, thus creating a platform for citizen participation and mobilisation that helped form the basis of a new democratic ethos.

Along the way, she notes the way in which Bersih evolved out of earlier civil society activism and the Reformasi movement to place political protest and popular mobilisation as important forces in Malaysian politics. This book makes a major contribution to the scholarly work on social movement theories in the Southeast Asian context, and to the growing literature on social movements and democratisation.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735035>

Living with Myanmar / (Eds) Justine Chambers, Charlotte Galloway & Jonathan Liljeblad

Singapore: ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2020

386p.

Includes Index

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Living with Myanmar / (Eds) Justine Chambers, Charlotte Galloway & Jonathan Liljeblad

Singapore: ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2020

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Since 2011 Myanmar has experienced many changes to its social, political and economic landscape. The formation of a new government in 2016, led by the National League for Democracy, was a crucially important milestone in the country's transition to a more inclusive form of governance. And yet, for many people everyday struggles remain unchanged, and have often worsened in recent years. Key economic, social and political reforms are stalled, conflict persists and longstanding issues of citizenship and belonging remain.

The wide-ranging, myriad and multiple challenges of Living with Myanmar is the subject of this volume. Following the Myanmar Update series tradition, each of the authors offers a different perspective on the sociopolitical and economic mutations occurring in the country and the challenges that still remain. The book is divided into six sections and covers critical issues ranging from gender equality and identity politics, to agrarian reform and the representative role of parliament. Collectively, these voices raise key questions concerning the institutional legacies of military rule and their ongoing role in subverting the country's reform process. However, they also

offer insights into the creative and productive ways that Myanmar's activists, civil society, parliamentarians, bureaucrats and everyday people attempt to engage with and reform those legacies.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734999>

From Grassroots Activism to Disinformation : Social Media in Southeast Asia / (Eds) Aim Sinpeng & Ross Tapsell
Singapore: ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2020
225p.

Includes Index

9789814951029

\$ 28.00 / PB

This book reflects on the role of social media in the past two decades in Southeast Asia. It traces the emergence of social media discourse in Southeast Asia, and its potential as a “liberation technology” in both democratizing and authoritarian states. It explains the growing decline in internet freedom and increasingly repressive and manipulative use of social media tools by governments, and argues that social media is now an essential platform for control. The contributors detail the increasing role of “disinformation” and “fake news” production in Southeast Asia, and how national governments are creating laws which attempt to address this trend, but which often exacerbate the situation of state control.

From Grassroots Activism to Disinformation explores three main questions: How did social media begin as a vibrant space for grassroots activism to becoming a tool for disinformation? Who were the main actors in this transition: governments, citizens or the platforms themselves? Can reformists “reclaim” the digital public sphere? And if so, how?

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735000>

Federal-State Relations under the Pakatan Harapan Government / Tricia Yeoh
Singapore: ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2020
55p.

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Trends in Southeast Asia, Issue No. 12, 2020

\$ 9.00 / PB

On 9 May 2018, Malaysia's Barisan Nasional (BN) government lost the country's 14th general election (GE14). Replacing it was the Pakatan Harapan (PH) coalition, made up of four parties, three of which had had experience cooperating with each other for a decade, namely Parti Keadilan Rakyat (PKR), the Democratic Action Party (DAP) and Parti Amanah Negara (Amanah). The fourth was the new Parti Pribumi Bersatu Malaysia (PPBM) led by Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

The election also saw equally significant changes at the state government level. PH now controlled seven states in total, up from two, while BN went from controlling ten states to retaining but two. PAS regained Terengganu and with its control over Kelantan now held the two East Coast states. The Sabah state government, held by Parti Warisan Sabah (Warisan) aligned itself with PH, while the Sarawak state government chose to stick with BN.

As many as ten of the sixty promises listed in the PH 2018 election manifesto related to federalism and Sabah and Sarawak, an indication of the growing importance of these two states (and of state issues more generally).

The PH administration's two significant set-ups were the Special Select Committee on States and Federal Relations and the Special Cabinet Committee on the Malaysia Agreement 1963 (MA63). Serious attempts were made to address concerns by both committees, with achievements being more visible in the Special Cabinet Committee on MA63, possibly due to the greater attention given on Sabah and Sarawak. Issues brought up within the Parliamentary Special Select Committee were not substantively addressed.

PH's time in power saw how states aligned to it maintained a smooth working relationship with the federal government. What was more interesting to note was that even non-PH aligned states such as Kelantan, Terengganu and Perlis also received favourable attention from the federal government.

Federal-state relations were much more aggressively tackled under the PH government than under any other preceding administration.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735002>

Singapore Lectures 1980-2018 : A Selection / (Eds) Malcolm Cook & Daljit Singh

Singapore: ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2020

315p.

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Singapore Lecture Series

\$ 46.00/ HB

Over the last 40 years, the ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute has been honoured to partner with the Singapore government in hosting 44 Singapore Lectures. The Singapore Lecture series is a unique public platform for world leaders and experts visiting Singapore that reflects the city-state's role as a global hub of ideas and diplomacy. The 21 lectures chosen for this 40th anniversary volume chart the fundamental changes in the global economy and the inter-state system that Southeast Asia and Singapore have successfully navigated over these four momentous decades.

"The Singapore Lectures reflect the city-state's progress for the past forty years. This selection skilfully captures the highlights from the way Singapore began to learn to read the world to how it became an open and inclusive site of globalization.

The collection might do more. The leaders from the five continents who spoke at ISEAS had come to share their experiences, their wisdom and, not least, their dreams. Following what they offered gives us a multifaceted picture that is instructive. It gives readers the chance to review an era of intense rivalry during which political conflicts were accompanied by unprecedented economic growth, when lessons were learnt from tragic failures and leaping successes.

Read together, the lectures give us hope in a time of unprecedented global turmoil: there will surely be future leaders who could find ways to rid the world of its demons." -- Wang Gungwu, Professor, National University of Singapore (NUS), and former Chairman of the ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute Board of Trustees.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734969>

Johor : Abode of Development? / (Eds) Francis E Hutchinson & Serina Rahman

Singapore: ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2020

539p.

Includes Index

9789814881272

\$ 38.00 / PB

In 1990, the Malaysian state of Johor—along with Singapore and the Indonesian island of Batam—launched the Growth Triangle to attract foreign direct investment. For Johor, this drive was very successful, transforming its economy and driving up income levels. Today, Johor is one of Malaysia’s “developed” states, housing large clusters of electrical and electronics, food processing, and furniture producing firms. While welcome, this structural transformation has also entailed important challenges and strategic choices. After three decades, Johor’s manufacture-for-export model is under question, as it faces increasing competition and flat-lining technological capabilities. In response, the state has sought to diversify its economy through strategic investments in new, mostly service-based activities. Yet, Johor retains pockets of excellence in traditional sectors that also require support and policy attention.

The state’s economic transformation has also been accompanied by far-reaching political, social, and environmental change. Not least, Johor’s growing population has generated demand for affordable housing and put pressure on public services. The strain has been exacerbated by workers from other states and overseas. These

demographic factors and large-scale projects have, in turn, put stress on the environment.

These economic and social changes have also had political ramifications. While Johor is a bastion of two of the country's oldest and most established political parties, the state's large, urban and connected electorate has made it hospitable terrain for new political organisations. Beyond electoral politics, Johor is also the home of a powerful and influential royal family, with very specific ideas about its role in the state's political life.

Building on earlier work by the ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute on the Singapore-Johor-Riau Islands Cross-border Region, this book focuses on this important Malaysian state, as it deals with important domestic challenges on one hand and strives to engage with international markets on the other.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735044>

Religion – Islam

Mosques And Imams : Everyday Islam In Eastern Indonesia /

(Ed) Kathryn M. Robinson

Singapore: NUS Press, 2021

xiv, 278p.

Includes Index

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1. Islam – Indonesia.
2. Muslims – Indonesia.
3. Imams (Mosque officers) – Indonesia.
4. Mosques – Indonesia.

\$ 38.00 / PB

428gm.

Islam has long been part of the fabric of life in eastern Indonesia, with the early fifteenth-century Masjid Tua Wapauwe in Northern Maluku arguably the oldest mosque in Indonesia. Mosques and Imams offers a rich introduction to the myriad ways of being Muslim across this diverse archipelago, from Sulawesi to Maluku and Nusa Tenggara Timor, as seen through the role of imams and the institution of

the local mosque. The book is unique not only in its geographic coverage, but also in the way it takes as an organizing principle the individuals and institutions that embody Islam in local communities. The contributions in this volume complement and contribute to broader discussions of contemporary issues in Islam and other contemporary religions, including migration, proselytisation, networks, and changing models of religious authority.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730274>

The New Santri : Challenges to Traditional Religious Authority in Indonesia / (Eds) Norshahril Saat & Ahmad Najib Burhani
Singapore: ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, 2020

369p.

Includes Index

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"Just like the Gutenberg revolution in the fifteenth century, which led to the emergence of non-conventional religious authority in the Christian world, the current information technology revolution, particularly through mediums such as Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and Twitter, has triggered the re-construction and decentralization of religious authority in Islam. New santri (pious individuals) and preachers emerged from the non-conventional religious educational system. They not only challenged the traditional authorities, but also redefine and re-conceptualize old religious terminologies, such as hijra and wasatiyya. This book explores the dynamics of religious authority in Indonesia with special attention to the challenges from the "new santri". It is a rich and important book on religion. I recommend students of religion in Indonesia and other countries to read it." - Ahmad Syafi'i Maarif, Professor Emeritus of History at Yogyakarta State University

"An important and timely volume that addresses the changing nature of Islamic leadership in the world's most popular Muslim country. This book debunks many (mis)perceptions

that Indonesia Islam is monolithic. It also redefines dominant characterization of Islam by Orientalist scholars, such as santri and abangan Muslims." - Haedar Nashir, Chairman of Muhammadiyah

"This edited volume evaluates the new development of Islamic scholarship and authority in Indonesia. Things have changed significantly in recent times that make many observers and researchers wondering: has Indonesia moved from traditional authorities, mainstream Islamic organizations, and the established scholarship to the new actors, movements and platforms? Has the change occurs owing to the democratization and political reforms that took place in the last twenty years or are there other factors we need to take into account? The contributors in this book provide possible answers from many different areas and perspectives. It's a must-read!" - Nadirsyah Hosen, Monash University, Australia
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730376>
