

Daniel Pearl World Music Days Singapore 2009

Free Concert

Saturday, 3 October 2009

Venue: Open Plaza (Outdoor Open Space), Plaza Singapura
68 Orchard Road, Singapore 238839

Program Highlights

Fringe Activities

Time	Performances / Activities
4:00pm to 6:00pm	Stilt-walker, Juggler, Close-Up Magician, Balloon Sculptor
4:00pm to 6:00pm	Balloons, Wall Signing
4:45pm to 5:00pm	Clubilya's Down With 57 (Pop / Rock Band)
5:05pm to 5:15pm	Ain Society (Kolintang Ensemble)
5:20pm to 5:30pm	Faizal Salim (Guzheng)
5:35pm to 5:45pm	Krsna, Govin & Dexter Tan feat Sheryl Lim (Tabla, Sitar, Violin & Tampura)
5:50pm to 6:00pm	Temasek Polytechnic's Fusion Percussion (Group Percussion)

Main Concert

Time	Performances
5.30pm	Arrival of Guests
6:00pm	Screening of Daniel Pearl World Music Days 2009 Invitation Video from Honorary Committee Members
6:01pm	Welcome Performance by Tian Eng Lion Dance Troupe (Chinese Multiple Drums)
6:10pm	Welcome Remarks by Mr Aruna Amirthanayagam (Public Affairs Counsellor, US Embassy in Singapore)
6:15pm	Singapore American School Singers (Choral Ensemble)
6:30pm	Ain Society (Kolintang Ensemble)
6:45pm	Temasek Polytechnic's Fusion Percussion (Group Percussion)
7:00pm	Krsna, Govin & Dexter Tan feat Sheryl Lim (Tabla, Sitar, Violin & Tampura)
7:15pm	Vote of Thanks & Reading of Statement from Daniel Pearl's Parents, Judea & Ruth Pearl (Co-founders of the Daniel Pearl Foundation) by Madam Muzaiyanah Hamzah (President, Clubilya)
7:20pm	Clubilya's Down With 57 (Pop / Rock Band)
7:30pm	The Roses (Hip-Hop Dance)
7:35pm	Mohamed Faizal Salim, Gavin Choo, Inessa Kalabekova, Gregory Kalabekov & The Travellers (Ethnic & World Music)
7:55pm	Hady Mirza (R&B)
8:10pm	All Performers (Heal The World)
8:15pm	End

About The Performers

Ain Society Kolintang Ensemble (Ethnic Music)

Ain Society Kolintang Ensemble was formed as a collaborative effort between Ain Society - a Malay Muslim organisation in Singapore, and Yayasan Kasih Mulia – a Christian organisation in Jakarta, Indonesia. Kolintang which is a form of traditional Indonesian xylophone, provide therapeutic effect on the youth and like any other musical instruments, instill discipline and team work as the youth rely on each other to present the perfect note. The Kolintang ensemble from Ain Society has performed in numerous outdoor performances and ceremonies.

Down With 57 (Pop / Rock Band)

Down With 57 performed at the very first Daniel Pearl World Music Days Singapore in 2008. Members of Down With 57 are teenagers from Clubilya, who came together with a common passion and love for music. The band members who are between the ages of 14 and 16 are self-taught in vocals as well as in the various musical instruments they play. They hold their band practices regularly after school, on weekends and during their school holidays. They have been invited to perform at the Singapore Pools FA Cup Finals 2009.

Fusion Percussion (Group Percussion)

Fusion Percussion is a group from Temasek Polytechnic that fuses different types of rhythms and playing style using an assortment of conventional and unconventional percussion instruments to provide audience with vibrant music and visual enjoyment.

Gavin Choo (Percussion & World Beat)

Gavin Choo started playing western drums at the age of 13 years old, with influences and interests in various genres of commercial rock, heavy metal, contemporary jazz and ethnic music. Gavin has a deep passion for music and groove which is the driving force to experience all things musical especially those dabbling in hand percussions. He has performed extensively in various charity events and was invited to perform at the launch of the Singapore Flyer.

Hady Mirza (R&B)

Hady is the very first Asian Idol as well as the second Singapore Idol and is most known for his smooth R&B voice and charming personality. Hady started singing at the age of 18 and instantly fell in love with it because of the variety of genres he could get involved in. Hady's self-titled debut album *Hady Mirza*, was released in Singapore on November 2006 and achieved Platinum status within 4 days of its release. In June 2007, Hady was awarded with two major awards in Anugerah Planet Muzik 2007, an annual Malay music award show awarding the best musicians in Singapore, Malaysia and Indonesia. Hady was voted "Most Popular Artiste (Singapore)" and his self-penned Malay single *Merpati* was voted "Most Popular Song (Singapore)."

Inessa Kalabekova & Gregory Kalabekov (Belly Dance & Doumbek Drum)

Inessa Kalabekova & Gregory Kalabekov are award winning belly dancer and Doumbek drummer respectively, originated from Kazakhstan and Russia and currently based in Singapore. Besides performing at numerous high profile events with ministers and presidents in attendance, they also choreographed dance items for several TV shows in Singapore. Inessa won awards at the Asian Global Belly Dance Competition in 2008 and 2009 held in Singapore and International Belly Dance Nagwa Fuad Cup 2008 in Korea. Together with Gregory, they were invited as judges at the Far East Belly Dance Competition 2008 in Taiwan. Most recently Inessa performed at a belly dance concert in Hong Kong sharing the stage with world renowned belly dance superstars from the United States such as Tamalyn Dallal, Amar Gamal, Elisheva & Anasma.

Krsna, Govin & Dexter Tan feat Sheryl Lim (Sitar, Tabla, Violin & Tampura – Indian Classical Music)

Krsna Tan's music acumen has assumed many dimensions and he can execute and evolve the most intricate combinations with ease. In 2002, at the age of 12, Krsna won first prize in the National Indian Music Competition. He was the youngest and the first non-Indian contestant to achieve such prestigious recognition. Govin Tan has developed a unique, distinguished sense of rhythm with the Tabla. At the age of 14, Govin won first prize in the National Indian Music Competition (2006) in the Tabla Junior Category. He is also the first non-Indian to do so. He again came in first in the National Indian Music Competition (2008) Tabla Open Category at the age of 16. Dexter Tan showed immense talent and interest in music at a very young age. He started learning the violin at seven in school. At present, Dexter is advancing his classical music training under the astute and able tutelage of Lenette Seah, a violin Maestro with the Singapore Symphony Orchestra. He has performed widely in many leading programmes and festivals showcasing his talent as a soloist, an accompanist as well as a fusion musician. Sheryl Lim is a fine arts student at the Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts. A passion and love for music prompted her to pick up the Tampura - a pluck stringed Indian instrument that creates an ambience of pleasing & peaceful sound. Sheryl performs regularly with the Tan cousins in many of their highly-acclaimed performances both locally and internationally.

Mohamed Faizal Salim (Guzheng – Chinese Classical Music)

Mohamed Faizal Salim's love affair with Chinese music began in 1999 when, for the first time, he watched a Chinese orchestra perform. He has performed for the Prime Minister of Singapore Lee Hsien Loong. This prolific professional Guzheng player has also been invited to perform at this year's National Day Parade Roadshows.

Singapore American School Singers (Choral Ensemble)

Established in 1956, the Singapore American School (SAS) is an independent, non-profit, co-educational day school offering an American based curriculum for preschool through grade 12 expatriate students. Over 50 different nationalities are represented among the 3800 students attending SAS. The vision of the Singapore American School is to inspire a passion for learning, encourage emotional and intellectual vitality, and empower students with the confidence and courage to contribute to the global community and to achieve their dreams.

The Roses (Hip-Hop Dance)

The Roses is one of the most recognisable dance groups in Singapore having won numerous accolades such as the Champion in the Open Category of Dance Xplosion!, a competition that involved all kinds of dance genres – from jazz and cultural, to modern street, funk and hip-hop. Other accolades include winning the “Breathe” Anti-Smoke dance competition organised by the Health Promotion Board twice in a row in 2008 & 2009. They are also the Champion in Singapore Street Dance Festival. The Roses had performed extensively, including at the world famous Singapore's street-festival; Chingay. They have been invited to perform at next year's inaugural Youth Olympic Games in Singapore.

The Travellators (World Music)

The Travellators is Singapore's electronic ethnic fusion band which creates fusion between classical and contemporary music with avant-garde sound art. Travellators seeks to challenge boundaries of performing analogue Asian instruments with Western modern instruments/technology. The band members use music in a literal conversation, just like classical Indian music modes of raga. Travellators also play on the audiences' perceived audio senses; creating a displacement and disorder in-between notes, keys, sounds, time and space as key elements to identify and distinguish its repertoire of songs.

Tian Eng Lion Dance Troupe (Multiple Chinese Drums)

Tian Eng Lion Dance Troupe is the Champion in the National Lion Dance Championship 2006 in the Traditional Dance category. The troupe has been invited to perform in Europe and Asia and is very passionate in promoting the traditional Chinese cultural art.

About The Daniel Pearl World Music Days Singapore 2009

The United States Embassy is proud to support the Daniel Pearl World Music Days Singapore 2009. Held in memory of the late Wall Street Journal reporter, this event is part of an international network of concerts using the power of music to reaffirm our commitment to tolerance and humanity. Since its inception in 2002, the Daniel Pearl World Music Days have grown to include more than 3,100 performances in 85 countries.

Singapore's celebration of the Daniel Pearl World Music Days 2009 is a showcase of youth expression and talent which spans a wide range of musical genres from world & ethnic music to hip-hop, fusion percussion, choral ensemble, pop and rock music.

For more information on Daniel Pearl World Music Days, please visit <http://www.danielpearlmusicdays.org/> . For more information on The Daniel Pearl Foundation please visit <http://www.danielpearl.org/> .

About Clubilya

Clubilya presents the Daniel Pearl World Music Days Singapore 2009 for the second successive year after a resounding success in 2008.

Clubilya is a registered Society since October 2004. Helmed by a group of professionals with experiences in youth and family services, law enforcement, rehabilitation and the judiciary system, Clubilya's mission is to influence and empower all youth, regardless of ethnicity, religion and social background, to be socially responsible and to equip them with good values and life skills for them to eventually be economically independent and contribute their best to society.

Clubilya advocates the positive youth development philosophy as the starting point for comprehensive citizenship training in supporting and facilitating the youth's wholesome development into responsible, resilient and progressive adults. Clubilya believes that by making a personal connection to their constituents and become a stakeholder in the community; the youth can become powerful community advocates. Additionally, the youth will gain the independence to direct the course of Clubilya's mission and promote positive social change.

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