

## Festivals, Talks, Music, Film, and other events in Penang



Festival - Thaipusam Wednesday-Friday January 24th-26th

A Tamil Hindu festival celebrated to commemorate the victory of Hindu god Murugan over the demon Surapadman, with chariot processions through Penang, and millions of devotees visiting the temple in the hills on Jalan Kebun Bunga. More information here.



Community - Men's Circle Thursday January 25th 8pm

A community of supportive men that hold space to encourage, inspire, and listen to one another. RM 33. More information and registration here.



Tropical Spice Garden, Teluk Bahang

Drama Workshops - Deadline for signup January 25th

Drama workshops for kids, teens and adults on Saturdays, beginning in February. RM 50 deposit on registration, RM 320/350 per term. Final performances in October. More information and registration here.

Centrestage, Island Plaza





Opening - Art is Still Rubbish Friday January 26th 8pm

Official opening of an exhibition to commemorate Hin Bus Depot's 10th anniversary.

Hin Bus Depot, Jalan Gurdwara

Music - Sinaran Tour 2024 Friday January 26th 9pm

A massive collaboration project by

Buddha Beat X Anak Borneo X Tee Jay: tribal instruments such as Borneo sape and gong, fusing with Chinese flute, drums, western viola and electronic sounds! RM30.

More information 017 428 7327.



Soundmaker Studio, 18 Bishop



Tour - Hidden Gems of Mainland Penang, Saturday January 27th 8.30am-3.30pm

Belgian photographer Philippe
Durant shares his favourite
spots, including an abandoned
open cast mine, a huge paddy
field, a small, family-owned oldstyle coffee factory, and a
temple. RM 320 including lunch.
Email to book. Pick up by
arrangement.





Dance - Eurasian Tea Dance Saturday January 27th 3pm-6pm

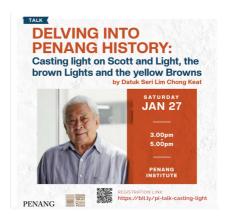
Dance to local Eurasian singer/pianist and enjoy a buffet. RM 40.

More information 017 465 0614.

Penang Eurasian Association Clubhouse, 107-A Jalan Kelawai

Talk - Casting light on the Scotts, the brown Lights and the yellow Browns Saturday January 27th 3pm A lighthearted talk by Datuk Seri Lim Chong Keat, Founder Chairman of Penang Heritage Trust, who will share some interesting aspects about the first European settlers of Penang men and their offspring. Free of charge. Register <a href="here">here</a>.

Penang Institute, 10 Jalan Brown





Music - Oi! Arise Saturday January 27th 5.30pm

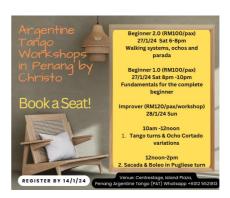
A line-up of local indie rock bands and DJs. RM 35. More information 017 428 7327.

Soundmaker Studio, 18 Bishop Street 1st floor

Workshops - Argentine Tango Saturday & Sunday January 27th & 28th

Beginners classes Saturday 6pm-8pm and 8pm-10pm RM 100 Improvers classes Sunday 10am-12pm & 12pm-2pm RM 120. For more information and to book whatsapp 012 552 1813.

Centrestage, Island Plaza



Film - Let's JaJambo Saturday January 27th 7.30pm

A film screening & vinyl listening session with the pinnacle of 1960s Hong Kong cinema, and starring Grace Chang. English subtitles.



RM10, whatsapp for tickets.

Coex, 123 Jalan Timah

Music - ProArt Chinese Orchestra Saturday January 27th 7.30pm

Members of the orchestra will perform a collection of Chinese solo music works. Tickets RM35 and RM55 available from 016-446 0018.

Jit Sin (Ind) High School Auditorium, Bukit Mertajam





Forest Bathing at The Habitat Penang Hill

Join us as we take you on a sensory journey for the mind, body, and soul amid the pristine and timeless rainforest of the Penang Hill Biosphere Reserve.

Book your experience today! Spots are limited.

Call us or WhatsApp us <u>here</u>.

Tour - Thni Kuih Maker Visit Sunday January 28th 10am-12pm

Visit a traditional maker of

Chinese New Year Thni Kuih (a sticky toffee-like treat) & Huat Kuih (Prosperity buns). RM 90. Email to book.

Pulau Tikus





Music - New York Jazz Live Sunday January 28th, 3pm-5pm

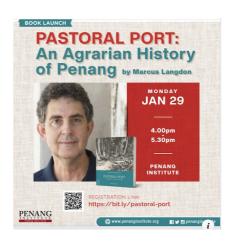
Private jazz performance by some of Penang's jazz greats. RM 90/120/180. Proceeds go to St Nicholas Home for the Blind. Whatsapp 012 414 7631 to book.

Private residence

Talk - An Agrarian History of Penang Monday January 29th 4pm

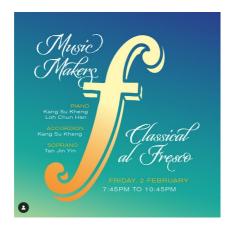
Marcus Lang talks about his book, on the important role that Penang played in global agriculture over the last 200 years: pepper, nutmeg, mace, cloves, sugar, tin, rubber, copra, coconut oil, tapioca, sago, cocoa, coffee and Sumatran tobacco poured through Penang's port to global markets. Free of charge, register here.

Penang Institute, 10 Brown Road



Music - Classical al Fresco Friday February 2nd 7.45pm

Classical al Fresco by Music Makers is back by popular demand, with light classical melodies under the giant mango tree. Free of charge, but reservations are encouraged.

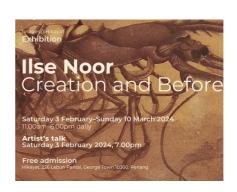


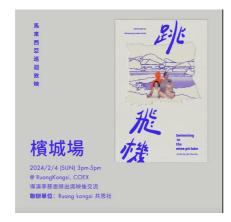
Café Mangga, Cheong Fatt Tze The Blue Mansion

Talk - Creation and Before Saturday February 3rd 7pm

Opening and talk for Ilse Noor's exhibition of intaglio and aquatints, a semiautobiographical journey, influenced by the myths, legends, traditions and cultures of East and West. Free of charge.

Hikayat, 226 Beach Street





Film - Swimming in the Mine Pit Lake Sunday February 4th 3pm

A personal story about a journey to finding an absent father's image. English subtitles. Discussion with the director Lee Chie-yen in Mandarin.

Free of charge.

Coex, 123 Jalan Timah

Festival - Kek Lok Si Display of Lights Saturday February 10th -Thursday March 7th 7pm onwards

Tens of thousands of LEDs, neon lights, and traditional lanterns light up the largest Buddhist temple in Malaysia every night to celebrate Chinese New Year.

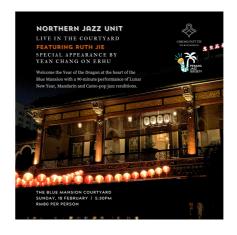




Music - Northern Jazz Unit Live in the Courtyard Sunday February 18th , 5.30pm

Northern Jazz Unit, with Ruth Jie and a special appearance by Yean Chang on erhu present a 90-minute performance of Lunar New Year, mandarin and Cantopop jazz renditions. RM80 tickets <a href="https://example.com/here/here/">here</a>.

Cheong Fatt Tze - The Blue Mansion

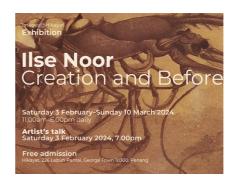




Ilse Noor, Creation and Before February 3rd until March 10th

An exhibition of intaglio and aquatints, a semiautobiographical journey, influenced by the myths, legends, traditions and cultures of East and West.

Hikayat, 226 Beach Street 11am-6pm daily





Art is Still Rubbish Until January 21st

Photos of Hin's events & exhibitions over the last 10 years, plus new works by Ernest Zacharevic, whose "Art is Rubbish" exhibition was Hin's first, in 2014.

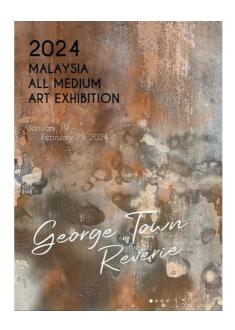
Hin Bus Depot, Jalan Gurdwara Monday-Friday, 12pm-7pm Saturday-Sunday, 11am-7pm

George Town Reverie Until February 29th

A group exhibition of 33 well known Malaysian senior and newcomer artists. The full list can be seen here.

2pm-6pm daily.

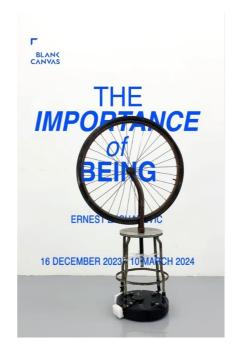
Gehrig Art Gallery 47-55, Lorong Stewart



The Importance of Being Until March 10th

A solo show by Ernest Zacharevic, known for the art murals he created for the 2012 George Town Festival. He presents an assemblage of works to expand the notion of what art is and what it means to each of us.

Blank Canvas, 2 Argus Lane Friday - Sunday, 12pm - 7pm





Malaysia Memory by Lim Anuar Until January 31st

An augmented reality exhibition showcasing the artist's batik paintings, rooted in culture and heritage, that have earned international recognition.

Armenian Park, Armenian Street, open 24 hours.

27 by Miao Sheng Until January 31st

Penang-born artist Miao Sheng's art radiates simplicity, joy, and heartwarming emotion.

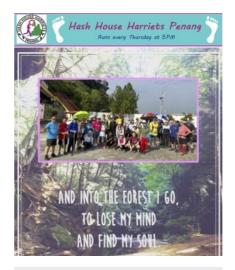
Art Gallery @ G Hotel Kelawai Open 24 hours



## **EVERY WEEK IN PENANG**

Hash House Harriets Every Thursday 5pm

Run or hike weekly with likeminded thrill-seekers and naturelovers. Join the whatsapp group here.





Hin Market takes place every Saturday and Sunday 11am to 5pm. Arts, crafts, souvenirs and food for sale in a relaxed openair environment. Hin Bus Depot, Jalan Gurdwara.



Films - The Screenery Almost every day 7pm

A small cinema club in George Town, which screens classics, indie and art films. The themes for the month of January are director Wong Kar Wai and Mixed Good Stuff. Membership is required to attend screenings. For more information join the private Facebook group <a href="here">here</a>.



Kaki Kino film club in January has the theme "Distant Places, Still Lives".

Hikayat, 226 Beach Street, Tuesday & Wednesday 6.00pm, Thursday at 6.30pm. Screening and refreshments RM 15. Email to book a seat.



Free meditation 6.45pm daily. Brahma Kumaris, 674-H Jalan Kebun Bunga. More information on the <u>website</u>. Whatsapp 0134301229 to book.



Live music every Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 7pm under the mango tree on the grounds of the iconic Blue Mansion.



Jazzy Night Live Music at The Cellar

Every Friday & Saturday 8.30pm-10.30pm free of charge.

**Macalister Mansion** 



Guided tours of the House of Yeap Chor EE, 4, Penang Street. Tuesday-Saturday by arrangement. RM 20 (RM10 for children). Whatsapp Joanne to book +6016-4568434



Daily live music at the Canteen, China House. 9pm until midnight.



Quiz Night. Every Monday at 8pm.

Free to enter. 8 Booze prizes up for grabs. Guest quiz master each week and definitely NOT a British quiz.

Healy Mac's, Straits Quay



Guided tours of Cheong Fatt Tze, the Blue Mansion. Explore the historical grandeur of Cheong Fatt Tze's Penang home, learn about life in those times, and about the enormous renovation project that took place in the 1990s. Daily 11am & 2pm. RM 25 per adult, RM 12.50 per child. To book click here.



Penang Coffee and Chat Every Monday from 10am-12pm

Meet up with old friends and make new friends, Daily Coffee Signature,

188 Jalan Burma, Pulau Tikus. Contact Denise McNamara (WhatsApp +61411735011 Aus#) email or Facebook for more information.



Dance - Sunday Afternoon Tea Dance

Every Sunday 3pm-6pm

Salsa, rumba, chachacha and line dancing with a live band. RM 25 includes first drink.

D'Loovis, 24 Lebuh Melayu



Alcoholics Anonymous Penang: Support for anyone who wants to stop drinking alcohol or using drugs. Whatsapp 011 5123 1396



Penang Friday Breakfast Meet Up Every Friday 9.30am - 12 pm

Make new friends from this group of global expats and local Penangites, whil enjoying the sea view. Buffet breakfast at a special price is available.

Mercure Beach Hotel Ombak Cafe Jalan Tanjong Bungah



Game Geeks
2nd weekend of the month
Friday 8pm-midnight, Saturday &
Sunday 2pm-6pm
Free admission
Tabletop gaming with 100-odd
different board games available

LUMA, Hin Bus Depot



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