

Penang Free Sheet



Music, Comedy, Theatre and Other Events

FRIDAY

RETRO FRIDAY NIGHT

CANTREEN CHINA HOUSE



VINTAGE RISING

Dev & Damon - Guitar | Kamal - Vocals | Rajesh - Keys | Jon - Bass | Raul - Drums

22 May Friday 9.00pm - 12.00am | RM50 Min Spend per entry

"Vintage Rising is a Penang-based classic rock band fronted by Kamal Chopra, an award-winning international singer and recording artist. Kamal, a qualified lawyer trained in vocal performance (Rockschool UK), brings global recognition to the band with accolades including Most Outstanding International Singer/Performer (WCEJA Japan Awards 2023) and Best International Artist (i.K. Bhanga Awards 2022)."

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SATURDAY

EXPLOSIVE SATURDAY PARTY WITH ACIDIC BUNCH

CANTREEN CHINA HOUSE



Wan - Vocals | Mia - Vocals | Ahryn - Drums/Reuben - Keys | Aaron - Guitar | Yon - Bass

23 May / Saturday 9.00pm - 12.00am

RM50 Min Spend per entry

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Get ready to experience an unforgettable night of non-stop partying with Penang's top party band, as they bring their electrifying energy and talent to the stage.



Stop acting — start becoming. Join a collective of performance makers at Theatre Lab @ Hin Bus Depot to strip away the safety of the script. Through a rigorous fusion of the Suzuki Method, Viewpoints, and Soto-inspired movement, you will cultivate a "strong center" and heightened ensemble awareness. Transform your physical form into a vessel of explosive raw power and rediscover the stage as a visceral landscape.

Register via: WhatsApp/Contact: Sir Soon at 017-2800614



Or scan the QR code to register.

Workshop - Theatre Lab
Thursday 21 May

Whether you are stepping onto the stage for the first time or looking to sharpen your professional edge, Theatre Lab @hinbusdepot offers a vibrant, supportive space to dive deep into the art of performance. The Lab moves away from purely text-based acting, focusing instead on the Body as the primary instrument. From RM50, register [here](#).

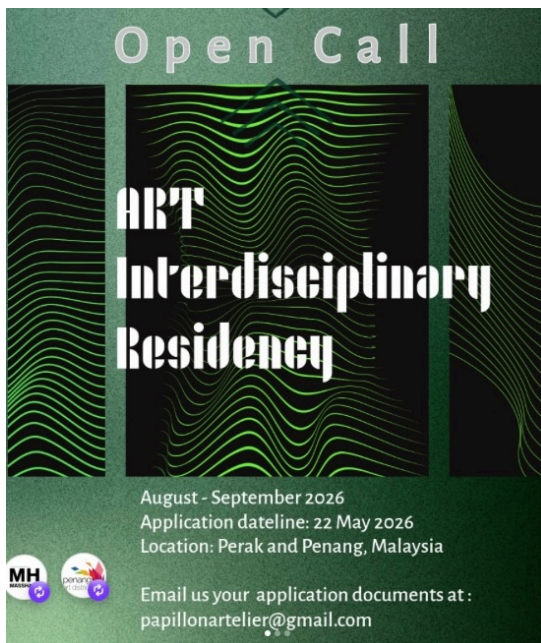
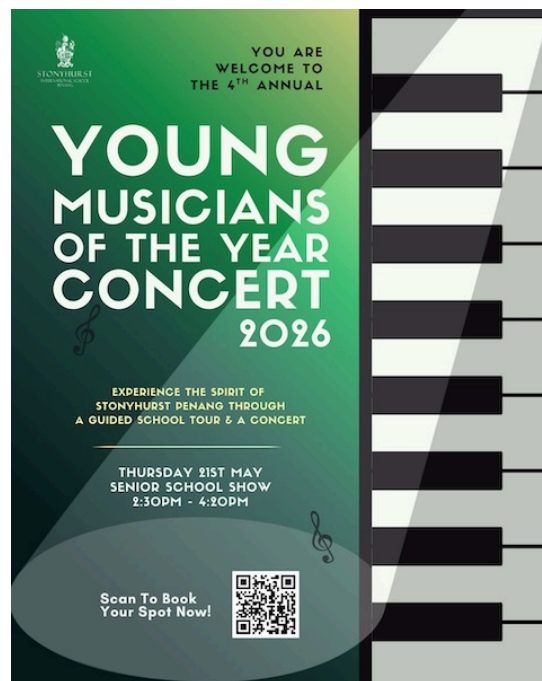
Hin Bus Depot

Music - Young Musicians of the Year:
Senior School Concert
Thursday 21 May, 2pm

More than just a performance, this afternoon is a celebration of Quant Je Puis – striving for the best through courage and passion. Includes guided school tour.

Book [here](#).

Stonyhurst International School



Open Call - Art Interdisciplinary
Residency
Application deadline Friday 22 May

In collaboration with the Tisung Orang Asli Community, Penang Art District, and Hin Bus Depot, supported by PORT Ipoh, applications are now open for the 2026 Art Interdisciplinary Residency—welcoming both local and international artists.

To be held in Penang and Perak.
More info [here](#).

Music - Songwriters Saga
Friday 22 May, 9pm

How wonderful when Penang has many songwriters! Let the saga begin! Limited seats.

RSVP 0174287327

Entry RM20. More info [here](#).

Soundmaker Studio, 360 JI Penang





Matilda The Musical Jr

Friday 19 June, 7pm

Saturday 20 June, 3pm

Enjoy an unforgettable theatrical experience as POWIS's talented students bring Roald Dahl's Matilda The Musical Jr to life on stage. Filled with humour, heart, catchy songs, and inspiring moments, this beloved musical celebrates courage, imagination, and standing up for what is right.

Reserve tickets [here](#)

POWIS Balik Pulau Auditorium

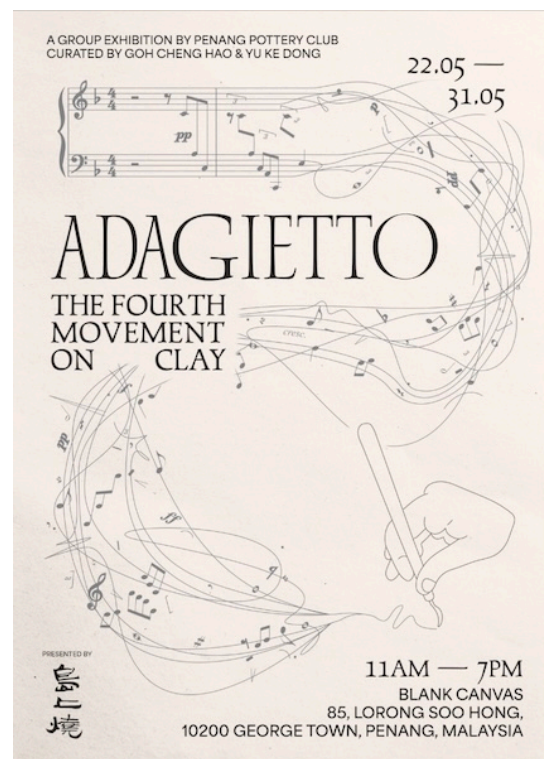
Opening - Adagietto

Friday 22 May 7pm-9pm

Opening of a contemporary art exhibition featuring artists from the Penang Pottery Club to mark its 20th anniversary. Drawing from German composer Gustav Mahler's Symphony No. 5 (1901-2), 'Adagietto' takes reference from its fourth – and Mahler's most famed – movement.

Blank Canvas, 85 Lorong Soo Hong.

More info [here](#).



FIERCE FITNESS
SPIN-A-THON
23 MAY 2026

SPIN TOGETHER FOR CANCER CARE

Gather your friends or colleagues to form a team, or ride solo and join the Fierce energy. Together we'll raise funds for Penang Pink Ladies, helping provide cancer care and support for people in our community.

@PenangPinkLadies is a volunteer-led NGO supporting our community through cancer awareness, care and connection.

Details : www.fiercefitnessasia.com/events

ALL FITNESS LEVELS WELCOME
12 SPIN SESSIONS | 20 BIKES
8AM TO 8PM | 45 MIN SESSIONS
COLD PLUNGE
KIDS CIRCUIT | DONATION WELCOME
POP UP WELLNESS MARKET

SPIN ENTRY: RM100 EA
Includes an exclusive Spin-a-thon Cap
SCAN CODE TO REGISTER

Questions? WhatsApp us
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FIERCE FITNESS (LEVEL 2)
Vantage - Tanjung Tokong

Fundraising Spin-A-Thon - Penang Pink Ladies
Saturday 23 May, 8am

12 Hours. 12 Rides. One Powerful Cause. Gather your friends or come along solo and join the energy at the Fierce Fitness Spin-A-Thon to support cancer care in our community. RM100, more info [here](#).

Fierce Fitness, Vantage.

Fundraising Lunch - Penang Heritage Trust

Saturday 23 May, 11.30am-2pm

Join Penang Heritage Trust as they celebrate four decades of preserving and championing Penang's rich heritage. Kathleen Rodrigues will serenade the guests with timeless classics and there will also be a silent auction. RM180, register [here](#).

G Hotel, Gurney Drive.

PENANG HERITAGE TRUST
Persatuan Warisan Budaya Pinang
PHT

PENANG HERITAGE TRUST
40TH ANNIVERSARY
FUND RAISING LUNCH

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE WITH
KATHLEEN RODRIGUES
& SING ALONG!

SATURDAY | **FROM**
MAY 23RD | 11.30 AM TO
2026 | 2.00 PM

G HOTEL GURNEY PENANG
Lunch at RM180.00 per head

- SILENT AUCTION
- SING ALONG
- PRIZES
- 40 YEARS OF HERITAGE ADVOCACY
- FOOD AND DRINKS

CELEBRATED POET & AUTHOR
CECIL RAJENDRA

All cash donations are tax-exempt.
All items for the silent auction will be appreciated.

Reserve at: info@pht.org.my / 04-2642631

Argentine Tango

Workshop 1
23 May 2026 Saturday
8pm-10pm
OPEN LEVEL
Rm120/ pax

Interpreting tango music and dancing to phrases in the music

Tango is an art. The art of being present..

Workshops by Christo
@ Centrestage, Island 88, Penang

Workshop 2 24 May 2026 Sunday
10.00am-12.00pm
IMPROVER LEVEL
RM120/ pax

Workshop 3 24 May 2026 Sunday
1.30pm-3.30pm
BEGINNER LEVEL
RM100/ pax

Early bird discounts end after 10/5/26
Additional RM20/workshop after 10/5/26

Whatsapp PY +6012 5521813 to register
Places are limited

Technical Precision & adornments

Translating fundamental technique into flowing sequences




Dance - Argentine Tango Workshops
Saturday 23 May, 8pm-10pm. Sunday
24 May 24, 10am-12pm and 1.30pm-
3.30pm

Workshops for beginners, improvers
and open level. From RM100, more
info [here](#), register via [WhatsApp](#)

Centre Stage, Island 88

Comedy - Laugh Bites presents
Wishmaker
Wednesday 27 May, 8.30pm

May all your wishes come true this
May in Laugh Bites new show,
WISHMAKER!

The show features not one, not two,
but three international comedians!
Headlining the show is Stefan
Bobner! Opening the show will be
Harri and Zoltan! From RM40, more
info [here](#).

COEX @ Kilang Besi, Hin Bus Depot

LAUGH Bites Stand-Up Comedy Show!

Wishmaker

27th May
8:30pm
COEX @ Hin Bus Depot
123 Jalan Timah

For more info or assistance,
call/WhatsApp 016 4302208






Music - K Pop Festival

Wednesday 27 May - Wednesday 3 June.

Finally, the long-awaited stage of passion is unfolding over five nights with Korea's top artists in Penang. Experience firsthand the magical moments of unity through music with spectacular performances and the moving emotions of K-POP.

Tickets from RM70, available [here](#).

Island 88, Level 4

Comedy - Island Boy

Thursday 28 May, 8.30pm

Living in Penang for so long, Ugo Temple has gone full local, taking the bus over taxi at peak hours. They ask "why is a celebrity on the bus?". Even dating isn't safe. Someone told him "I saw you on Tinder but I swiped left because I know you". Island Boy is a funny story on trying to live a normal life. Tickets RM25 [here](#).

Cocktail Society, 72 Lebuhr Presgrave

A vibrant poster for a stand-up comedy special. The background is a gradient from orange to red, featuring silhouettes of palm trees and birds. At the top, it says "First-Bridge Entertainment". The main title is "Stand-up Comedy Special" in large white letters, followed by "A tryout Show". The performer's name "ISLAND BOY" is written in a stylized font, with "UGO TEMPLE" below it. The showtime is "8:30PM" and the date is "Thursday, 28 May". The venue is "@ Cocktail society, 72 Lebuhr Presgrave, George Town, Penang." The entry price is "Entry: RM25". A photograph of Ugo Temple, a man in a white shirt, is shown sitting on a suitcase with a camera and other items. At the bottom, there are logos for "FIRST BRIDGE ENTERTAINMENT" and "Cocktail Society", along with the text "Get your ticket or whatsapp 0165605434".

Produced by  In Collaboration with  Venue Support 

A PLAY ON MENTAL HEALTH

I'm just a little unwell

Written by *Monica Mehan* Direction by *Arunen*

Show Date & Time
29 May 2026 8:00pm | 30 May 2026 8:00pm

Show Venue
 iBOX Theatre (Sunny Point Complex)

Show Duration
Approx 120 Min

Show Admission
RM 28

Scan For Ticket 

Trigger warning: This play explores sensitive topics, including self-harm and suicide. Please prioritize your well-being.

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Theatre - I'm Just a Little Unwell
Friday 29 May, 8pm. Saturday 30 May 8pm

In the war against one's own mind, victory is simply making it to tomorrow. "I'm Just a Little Unwell" pulls back the curtain on bipolar disorder and depression. Tickets from RM28, available [here](#).

Sunny Point Complex, Jalan Batu Uban, Gelugor

Band - 19th Southeast Asian Pipe Band Championships
Saturday 30 May, 8am. Sunday 31 May, 3pm

The only graded pipe band competitions in Asia. Open to the public. More info [here](#).
St Xavier's Institution



Nature - BuMI FEST
Saturday 30 May, Sunday 31 May

A two-day gathering at Tropical Spice Garden focused on wellbeing, re-wilding and play. It will feature experiences, workshops, live performances.

More info [here](#).

Tropical Spice Garden, Teluk Behang

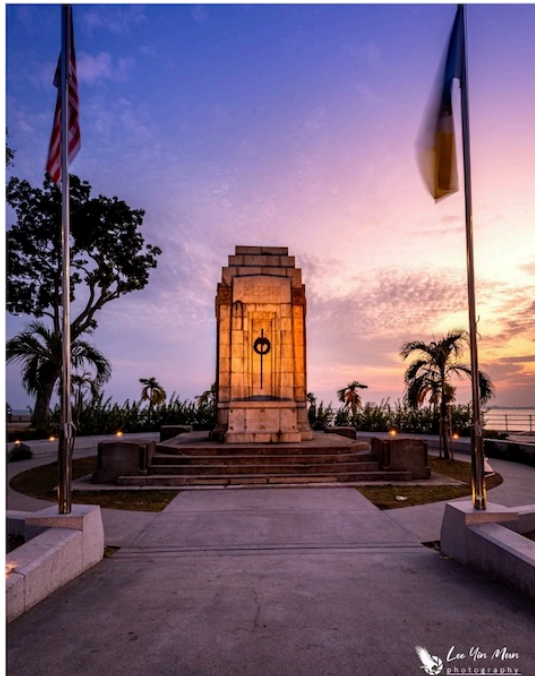
Music - Northern Metal Clan
Saturday 30 May, 5pm-11pm

The north is about to get a whole lot louder as the Death Metal Invasion descends upon Penang.

Whether you're there for the circle pits or the technical riffs, Northern Metal Clan Vol. 2 is bringing you a powerhouse lineup.

RM35, more info [here](#).

Soundmaker Studio, 360 JI Penang



Walk - An Evening Walk Through Penang's Global Esplanade
Saturday 30 May, 8pm

Join Eugene Quah for a 90-minute evening walk that uses the buildings, monuments, and stories of the Esplanade to trace Penang's remarkable place at the centre of global trade, diplomacy, and ideas – told not through the eyes of empire, but through the people who actually built this town.

RM45, more info [here](#).

Penang Hidden Gems. Start at The Cenotaph

Comedy - English Stand Up Comedy Show

Saturday 30 May, 8.30pm

Following the Adelaide Fringe festival, and before heading off to the Edinburgh Fringe festival, former international biology teacher turned comedian Zoltan Illes brings his stand-up comedy show 'Nerdy and Dirty: Part Classroom, Part Classless' to Georgetown for one night only! Tickets from RM40 [here](#).



COEX @Hin Bus Depot



Magic - Live show by Chris Cheong
Sunday 31 May, 4pm-6pm

Live magic performance by Chris Cheong. The afternoon will include a lucky draw session and music by DJ Sly.

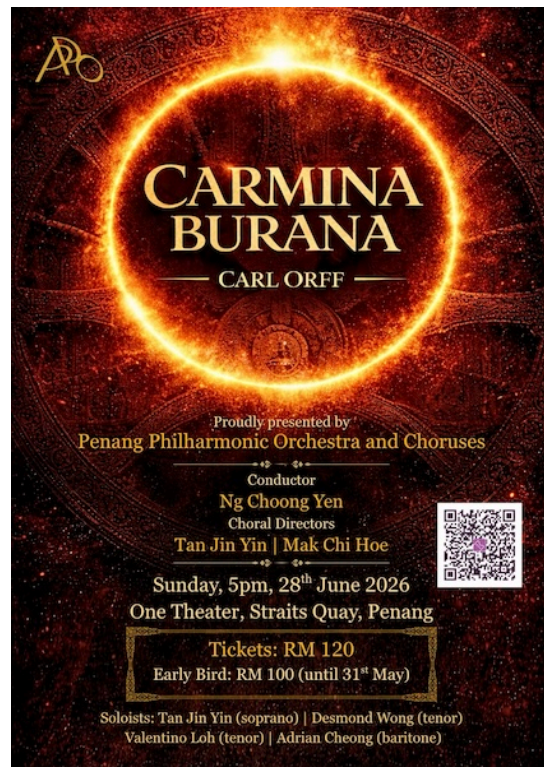
RM80, kids RM45, more info [here](#).

Hard Rock Cafe, Batu Ferringhi

Music - Carmina Burana
Early Bird tickets now on sale [here](#)
until 31 May for performance on 28
June.

Penang Philharmonic Orchestra and
Choruses are presenting one of the
most electrifying works ever
composed: Carmina Burana by Carl
Orff. With massive orchestral and
choral forces, driving rhythms, and
raw emotional intensity, this is more
than a concert. It is a culmination of a
journey years in the making.

One Theatre, Straits Quay



Tea Talk and Tour: In Celebration of the 190th Anniversary of Yeoh Kongsi

Keynote Speech: The History and Architecture of Yeoh Kongsi by Ms. Lim Gaik Siang



**FRIDAY
JUNE 5**

2:30pm
-
5:00pm

Black Kettle,
105 Beach Street,
George Town

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Panel Discussion: Evolving Roles of Clan Houses featuring
Ms. Lim Gaik Siang, Dr. Ling Zhengyuan, and Ms. Pan Yi Chieh

REGISTRATION LINK:
bit.ly/PI-Tea-Talk

Organiser:  PENANG INSTITUTE

Co-organiser:  Hokkien Kongsi, Penang

Supporting Organisation:  Penang Chamber of Commerce

www.penanginstitute.org

Tea Talk - History and Architecture of
Yeoh Kongsi

Friday 5 June, 2.30pm-5pm

Yeoh Kongsi is one of Penang's "Big
Five" clan houses—an enduring pillar
of heritage, architecture and
community life. Long regarded as a
hidden gem of George Town, it now
opens its doors for a rare afternoon of
insight, conversation and discovery.
Free, but please register [here](#)

Black Kettle, Lebuh Pantai

Music - RondoFest plays Mahler
Symphony No. 2
Friday 5 June, 7.30pm

For the first time ever, Mahler's
monumental Symphony No. 2 comes
to Penang on a scale the island has
never witnessed. Over 160 musicians
and choristers on a single stage. This
is music that engulfs the space, and



RONDO
production

RondoFest plays
MAHLER
SYMPHONY NO. 2

Tengku Irfan Susanna Saw
Joydee Khoo Chai Ling

5 JUN 7 JUN
7.30pm 7.30pm
Penang: The Esplanade Penang
Kuala Lumpur: The Esplanade Kuala Lumpur

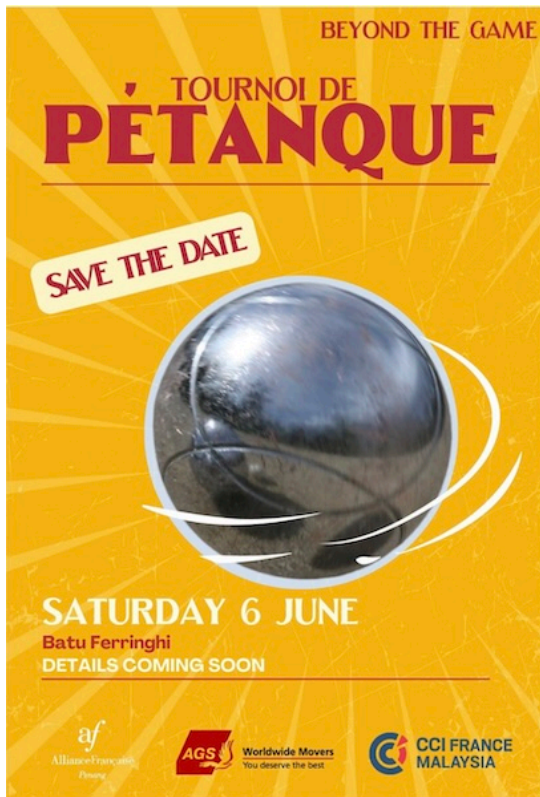
**MAHLER'S SYMPHONY NO. 2 RETURNS
AFTER 10 YEARS**

When it happens — you either witness it, or you miss it.
Penang • Kuala Lumpur

the audience within it. A historic first for Penang.

Tickets from RM64 (early bird) [here](#).

Dewan Tan Sri Loh Boon Siew, TAR



Outdoors - Tournoi de Pétanque
Saturday 6 June

A day of pétanque by the sea, organized by Alliance Française de Penang in partnership with AGS and CCIFM.

Whether you're an experienced player or simply curious to try the game, everyone is welcome to enjoy friendly competition, good food and great company.

More info [here](#).

Batu Ferringhi

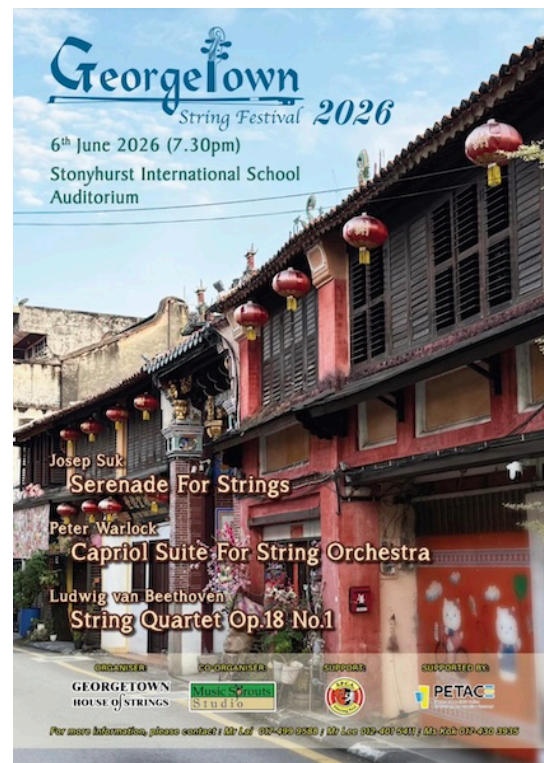
Music - Georgetown String Festival
Saturday 6 June, 7.30pm

Featuring Josep Suk "Serenade for Strings", Peter Warlock "Capriol Suite for String Orchestra", Ludwig van Beethoven "String Quartet Op.18 No.1".

Tickets RM65, high school students RM40.

Contact Mr Lai [017 499 9588](tel:017-499-9588)

Stonyhurst International School
Auditorium





Operetta - The Mikado
Sunday 7 June, 3.30pm

Gilbert and Sullivan's comedic operetta in conjunction with Penang Symphony Society.

Tickets RM60 [here](#).

Auditorium A, Level 5, Komtar

EXHIBITIONS



Earth Friends
22 May-7 June

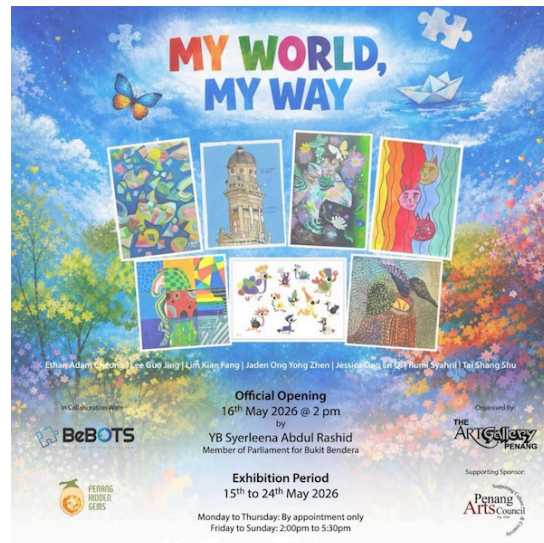
This exhibition is more than just showcasing works, it is about friendship, community, creativity, and the people behind the Earth Fest movement.

Hin Bus Depot, Jalan Gurdwara

My World, My Way
Until 24 May

A meaningful exhibition that celebrates the voices and visions of neurodiverse artists.

Monday to Thursday by appointment only, Friday to Sunday 2pm-5.30pm
The Art Gallery Penang, Bellisa Row Pulau Tikus



Post Digital Colours Anthology
Until 15 June

Core Design Gallery in collaboration with ChinaHouse presents a new exhibition.

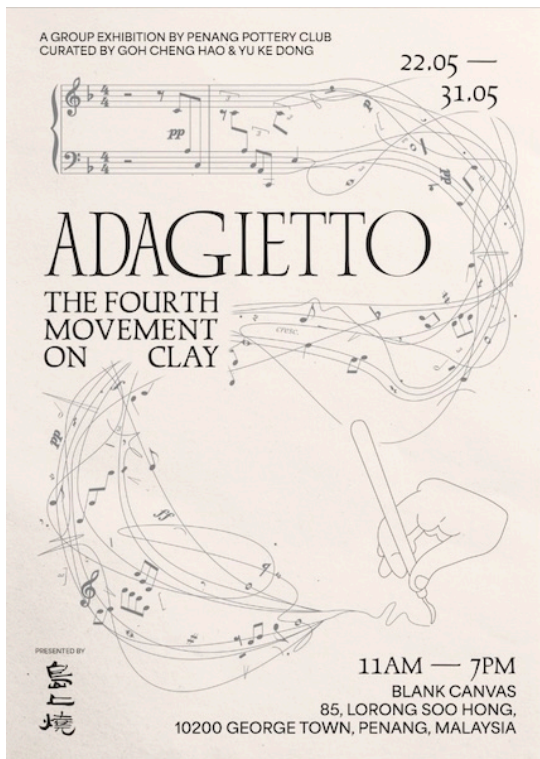
ChinaHouse, 153 Beach Street

11am-7pm daily

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Until 31 May

A Solo Exhibition by 王耀麟 Heng Eow Lin to celebrate motherhood.

10am-6pm Friday to Sunday
O Sculpture Art Space, Hin Bus Depot



Adagietto – The fourth Movement on Clay
22-31 May

A contemporary art exhibition featuring artists from the Penang Pottery Club. Drawing from German composer Gustav Mahler's Symphony No. 5 (1901-2), 'Adagietto' takes reference from its fourth – and Mahler's most famed – movement.

11am-7pm daily at Blank Canvas, 85 Lorong Soo Hong

Meeting Vincent
Until 31 May

Carol Bowen invites you to see the familiar through a lens of heightened celebration.

11am-6pm daily
Hikayat, 226 Lebuhr Pantai



Involuntary Writing

06.06 – 02.08.2026

Solo Exhibition by
Tao G. Vrhovec Sambolec



Thursday–Monday, 12pm–7pm
85, Lorong Soo Hong, 10200 George Town, Penang, Malaysia
Website: blankcanvas.my | WhatsApp: +6016 246 6814

BLANK
CANVAS

Involuntary Writing
6 June–2 August

This project by Tao G. Vrhovec Sambolec highlights unintentional ink stains that occur while writing by hand. The artist turns attention to these unintended marks, treating them as visual forms in their own right.

12pm–7pm Thursday to Monday
Blank Canvas, 85 Lorong Soo Hong

MUTE

Until 11 June

A solo exhibition by French contemporary artist Claire Lassonery. Through a series of abstract works MUTE explores silence not a absence, but as a space of presence, where forms, textures, and light speak in their own quiet language.

10am–6pm, Tuesday to Friday. 9am–4pm Saturday
Alliance Française, Jl Phuah Hin Leong





The Silent Pulse
Until 30 June

“The Silent Pulse – Free the Rhythm Beneath the Silence”, a group art exhibition where diverse artistic voices come together to reveal the quiet rhythms beneath stillness.

Through different styles, mediums, and perspectives, each artist uncovers a unique pulse of creativity.

Ascott Gurney Hotel

I'm a Mum?
Until 17 July

A new solo exhibition by Red Hong Yi, examining motherhood through the lens of her recent lived experience. She rejects the sanitised image of motherhood, exposing its physical, emotional, and invisible labour. Friday to Sunday 12pm-7pm.

Cultprint, 35 Lebu Melayu



EVERY WEEK IN PENANG



Hash House Harriets, every Thursday 5pm. Run or hike weekly with like-minded thrill-seekers and nature-lovers. Join the whatsapp group [here](#).

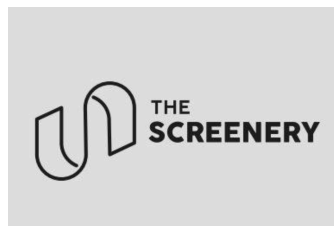


Hin Market takes place every Saturday and Sunday 11am to 5pm. Arts, crafts, souvenirs and food for sale in a relaxed open-air environment. Hin Bus Depot, Jalan Gurdwara.

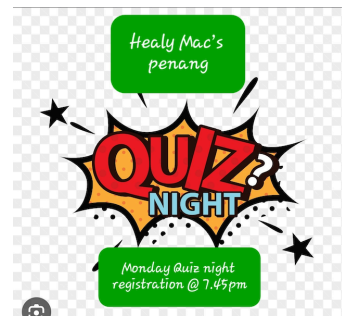


Kaki Kino film club in May is showing award-nominated films with the theme "History, Then and Now".

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

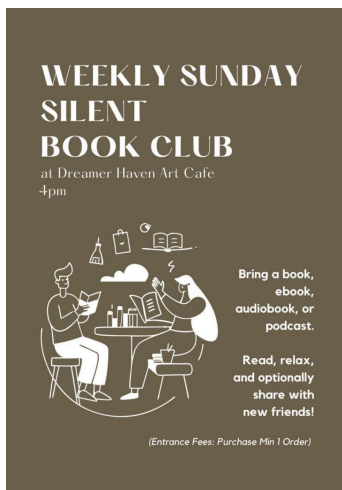


Film club based in Midlands Mall, Lot G-41, Pulau Tikus, showing classics, indie and art films for educational purposes. May's offerings include 15 films often considered the best of all time. Join the [FB group](#) for more information.

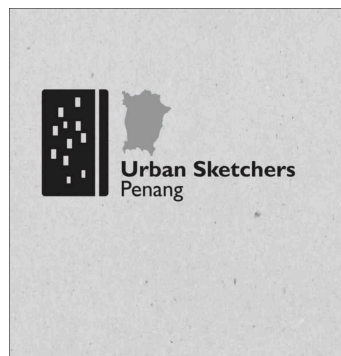


Quiz Night. Every Monday at 8pm. Free to enter. 8 Booze prizes up for grabs. Guest quiz master each week and definitely NOT a British quiz.

Healy Mac's, Straits Quay.



Silent Book Club every Sunday at 4pm. Bring your own reading material then chat with your fellow readers. More info on [Facebook](#). Dreamer Haven Art Cafe, 251, Lebuhr Kimberley.



The Urban Sketchers Penang is a group of sketchers and water colour painters who meet at different outdoor locations around Penang on Sunday mornings to draw and paint on location. More information [here](#).



Rhythm and groove dance class with disco influence. Beginner-friendly. Every Monday 5.30pm-7pm. Vantage, [WhatsApp](#) +64 27 260 4711 to join.



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

**Ka-kī Baca
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A weekly script-reading platform that brings people together to read and freely discuss play scripts. Free of charge, Soundmaker Studio, 360 Jalan Penang.



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

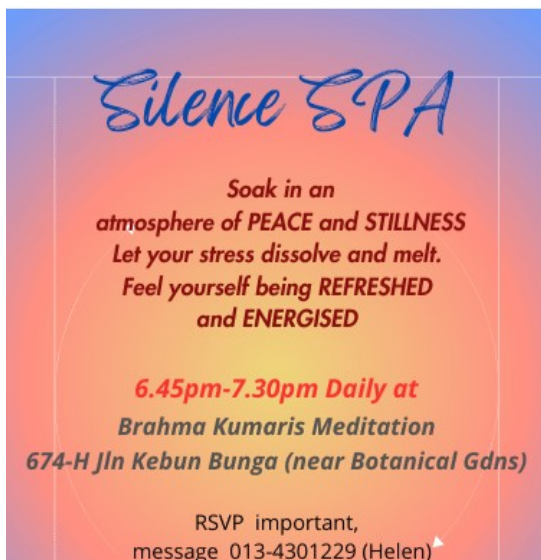
MAY DJ LINE UP 9PM-12AM

01	SHAHRIN	DISCO / CITY POP
02	SOULIE	CLASSIC CHINESE / 70S 80S ASIAN FUNK DISCO
03	SOULIE	CITY POP / JAZZ / FUNK / 50THN POP
04	LIGHTLOW / JENNA	SAXOPHONE / VIOLIN / KEYBOARD
05	KARTEL	SOUL / DISCO / FUNK
06	PS	DISCO / HOUSE
07	ASANG	CITY POP / INDIE
08	LIGHTLOW / JENNA	SAXOPHONE / VIOLIN / KEYBOARD
09	ASANG	CITY POP / INDIE
10	RUDY	JAZZ / SOUL / DISCO
11	PS	DISCO / HOUSE
12	LIGHTLOW / JENNA	SAXOPHONE / VIOLIN / KEYBOARD
13	PS	DISCO / HOUSE
14	ODDJOB	HOUSE / DISCO
15	KARTEL	SOUL / DISCO / FUNK
16	LIGHTLOW / JENNA	SAXOPHONE / VIOLIN / KEYBOARD
17	KARTEL	SOUL / DISCO / FUNK
18	COOLLEN	HIP HOP / R&B / HOUSE
19	SNEAKY JESUS	HIP HOP / FUNK

Music or vinyl DJs every night. 9pm until midnight. Kool Kongsi Vinyl Cocktail Bar. 61 Jl Argyll.



Live bands and/or DJs every night at Chulia Court, Chulia Street. Times vary, check schedule for details!



Free meditation 6.45pm daily. Brahma Kumaris, 674-H Jalan Kebun Bunga. More information on the [website](#). Whatsapp 0134301229 to book.



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 & 3.30pm. 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, no need to register.
Daily Coffee Signature,
188 Jalan Burma, Pulau Tikus.
Contact Denise McNamara
WhatsApp +61411735011 or [email](#)



Every Friday Friends Meet Up
10am - 12pm

Please feel free to join for friendly chat, meet new and familiar faces and introduce new friends to this warm welcoming group. WhatsApp Siew 01136043357.

Winter Warmers, Straits Quay



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



Whatever is troubling you, talk to us. We offer free, compassionate, and confidential support for emotional distress. 3pm-12am daily, 04 2910 100 or Whatapp 011 5670 6261 or [email](#).

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