

# CULTURE CLUB

## NEW ON EXHIBITION



### LION CITY KITTY – THE CAT MUSEUM, MUSES & MANSION

Who doesn't love cats? We definitely do, so this one's a no-brainer. Right at the heart of the Civic District, the new museum sees artwork and exhibitions that detail the history and origins of our local cats. Eighty per cent of the photographs, crafts and commissioned pieces can be purchased, and proceeds from local donated works go to support animal causes. You can also hang around to cuddle a furry feline at either the Mansion, where resident cats like Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie reside, or at the adoption space run by Cat Welfare Society. Volunteers will be on hand to answer queries about keeping a cat at home, or you can just relax, draw, paint, or take plenty of photographs.

Date: From 9 January 2015  
 Time: 2pm – 8pm, Friday to Sunday  
 Venue: 9 Petrie Street, #02-02  
 Admission: \$9  
 More information at [thecatmuseum.com.sg](http://thecatmuseum.com.sg).



### KARAOKE PARTY

It's a party over here, and this one's a fun gig that celebrates a myriad of homegrown talents – more than 20 Singaporean creatives have come together for a series of short films that were helmed by local designers, and original music by local artists, told through interactive karaoke videos. It's an interesting concept by producers Lenne Chai and Ling Ang, who roped in streetwear labels like MASH UP, Hestah, Jaiish Chua, ready-to-wear labels like PAULINE, NING, as well as music by Vanessa Fernandez, Corlie Barnes and Shoppag. The videos were filmed at rustic locations such as Kam Leng Hotel and Gunma, Japan, and also feature familiar faces, former VJ Holly.

Date: 16 to 29 January 2015  
 Time: 11am – 10pm  
 Venue: KEEPER'S: Singapore Designer Collective, Orchard Green  
 Admission: Free



### M1 FRINGE FESTIVAL 2015: ART AND LOSS

It's back, with new Artistic Director, Sean Tobin, at the helm. The festival opens with three world premieres, including *Wine* by Leo Zhen, a multimedia and video reconstruction of *The Necessary Stage's* play with the late Paddy Chue, who was the first person here to come out publicly about being HIV positive. Another highlight is *How Loveless Goes*, by Ngiam, a series of images on Singapore's architecture that "evokes a sense of modern isolation". Other than that, there's more to look forward to – with over 20 ticketed performances, alongside gallery works and talks, all centred around the theme of Art and Loss.

Date: 14 to 29 January 2015  
 Admission: \$16/\$22; tickets on sale from SISTIC.  
 More information at [singaporethings.com](http://singaporethings.com).



### MICHAEL PLATNIC: AFTER

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Date: 22 January to 21 February 2015  
 Time: 11am – 7pm; Closed on Sundays and PHs  
 Venue: 28 Armenian Street  
 Admission: Free  
 More information at [artpluralgallery.com](http://artpluralgallery.com).

Photo credit: courtesy of Art Plural Gallery.



### SINGAPORE ART WEEK

There's a lot to take in for this nine-day festival, with over 100 events – everything from gallery exhibitions, book parties and art talks – held from 17 to 26 Jan. We bring you some of our highlights. More information at [artweek.sg](http://artweek.sg).

### DRIVE – A Gillman Barracks Public Art Festival

Other than outdoor art installations on the facades of the colonial-style buildings, there are live paintings, photographic prints by Singaporean Dawn Ng, and even a reworked classic bus stop sculpture by Wong Lip Chan.

Date: Now till 25 January 2015  
 Venue: Gillman Barracks, 9 Lock Road  
 Admission: Free  
 More information at [artdrive.com.sg](http://artdrive.com.sg).

### Alwal Urban Arts Festival

Back for its second edition, and this one promises energetic street art jams and stunts at the skate park, while local bands and DJs like Marblebacc, Zushan, Gemu, and EJ Misery will also be performing.

Date: 17 January 2015  
 Time: 10pm till late  
 Venue: Alwal Arts Centre, 22 Alwal Street  
 Admission: Free  
 More information at [alwalartscentre.sg](http://alwalartscentre.sg).



### ART IN MOTION

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 More information at [sgaa.org.sg](http://sgaa.org.sg).

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