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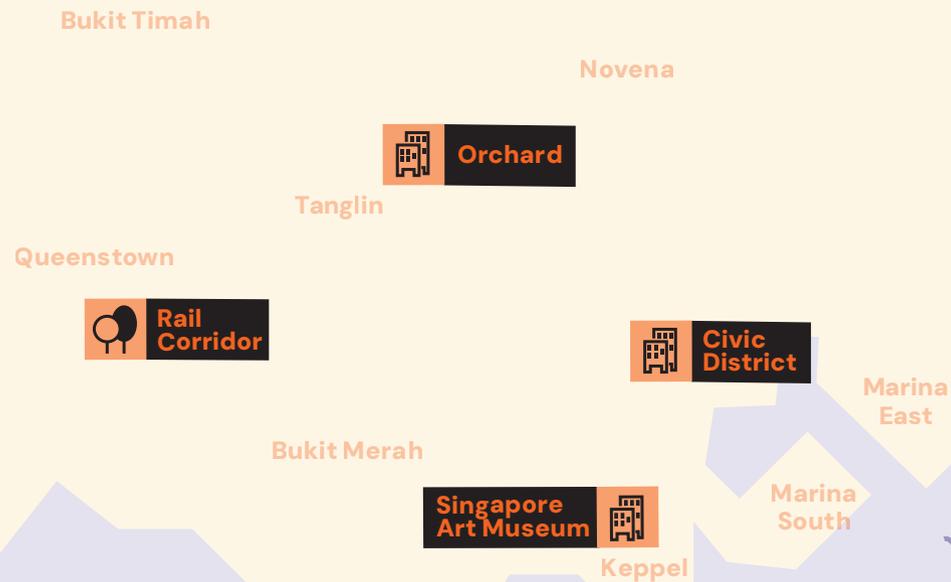
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Singapore Art Museum
and citywide venues

31 Oct 25 ➔ 29 Mar 26

Singapore Biennale 2025: *pure intention*

31 Oct 2025 – 29 Mar 2026



Singapore Biennale 2025: *pure intention* presents contemporary art in multiple venues and public spaces, inviting audiences of all walks of life to experience Singapore's many layers built by all of those who have been a part of its history, collectively creating a city that is as planned as it is full of discovery, surprises and interesting juxtapositions.

Through an exploration of art in everyday environments, audiences will be engaged to see familiar spaces in Singapore with fresh eyes and new perspectives, paying attention to the rituals, histories, lived experiences and aspirations that have shaped our environments and urban lives.

As part of the SG60 celebrations, the Biennale offers Singaporeans an opportunity to reflect on the nation's historic milestones and shared aspirations while imagining possible collective futures.

The Biennale will engage with spaces ranging from pre-colonial and colonial landmarks transformed into public, green areas repurposed for recreation, residential neighbourhoods and lived spaces, to shopping centres that have evolved into social spaces for Singapore's diverse communities.

Curatorial Network

Curatorial Team

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Singapore Art Museum

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Curator,
Singapore Art Museum

Curatorial Contributors

Asian Film Archive

Singapore

Hothouse

Singapore

Hyphen—

Indonesia

The Packet

Sri Lanka

List of Participants by Venue

Singapore Art Museum

Tanjong Pagar Distripark,
39 Keppel Road, S089065

Ahmet Ögüt

Álvaro Urbano

Anusapati

CAMP

Cui Jie

Emiria Sunassa

Fiona Amundsen

Griya Seni Hj. Kustiyah
Edhi Sunarso, Hyphen—,
Tom Nicholson with Ary
"Jimged" Sendy, Aufa
Ariaputra, Nasikin, Omar
Aryarindra

Hyphen—

Julian Abraham "Togar"

Ju Young Kim

Lim Mu Hue

Lim Yew Kuan

Liu Kang

Ming Wong

Paul Chan

Pierre Huyghe

Presiden Tidore

RRD
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y Distribución)

Tanatchai Bandasak

Titarubi

Tristan Duke

Wu Peng Seng

Rail Corridor

Blenheim Court

5 Westbourne Road, S138944

Allora & Calzadilla

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Jesse Jones

Rizki Lazuardi

Along Rail Corridor

Kate Newby

Tanglin Halt

Adrian Wong

Joo Choon Lin

Kah Bee Chow

Tan Zi Hao

Wessex Estate

Apichatpong
Weerasethakul
& Guo-Liang Tan

Aya Rodriguez-Izumi

Emily Floyd

Civic District

Fort Canning Centre

5 Cox Terrace, S179620

Cian Dayrit

Faysal Altunbozar

Kang Seung Lee

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Sorawit Songsataya

Fort Canning Park

51 Canning Rise, S179872

Ayesha Singh

Jacqueline Kiyomi Gork

Kapwani Kiwanga

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National Gallery Singapore

1 St Andrew's Road, S178957

Genpei Akasegawa

Seung-taek Lee

Tuan Andrew Nguyen

Oldham Theatre

National Archives of Singapore
1 Canning Rise, S179868

Asian Film Archive

Dat Vu & Truong Que Chi

Elsa Wong

Forum Lenteng

The Observatory
& DuckUnit

Peninsula Plaza

111 North Bridge Road, S179098

Gala Porras-Kim

The Adelphi

1 Coleman Street, #05-06
The Adelphi, S179803

Maha Maamoun

Orchard

20 Anderson Road

Angelica Mesiti

Brandon Tay

Diakron
& Emil Rønn Andersen

Elizabeth Gabrielle Lee

Hothouse

Kei Imazu

Özgür Kar

Riar Rizaldi

Salad Dressing

Tini Aliman

Young-jun Tak

Yuyan Wang

Far East Shopping Centre

545 Orchard Road, S238882

Aiganym Mukhamejan

Alana Hunt

Anisha Baid

Center for Political Beauty

Chu Hao Pei

Devadeep Gupta

Finbarr Fallon

Jiajia Zhang

Rirkrit Tiravanija

Shahana Rajani

Shenuka Corea

Sohrab Hura

Tabita Rezaire

The Packet

Yuri Pattison

Lucky Plaza

304 Orchard Road, S238863

Eisa Jocson

Gabriela Golder

Tan Pin Pin

Multiple Locations

Akira Takayama/Port B

Debbie Ding

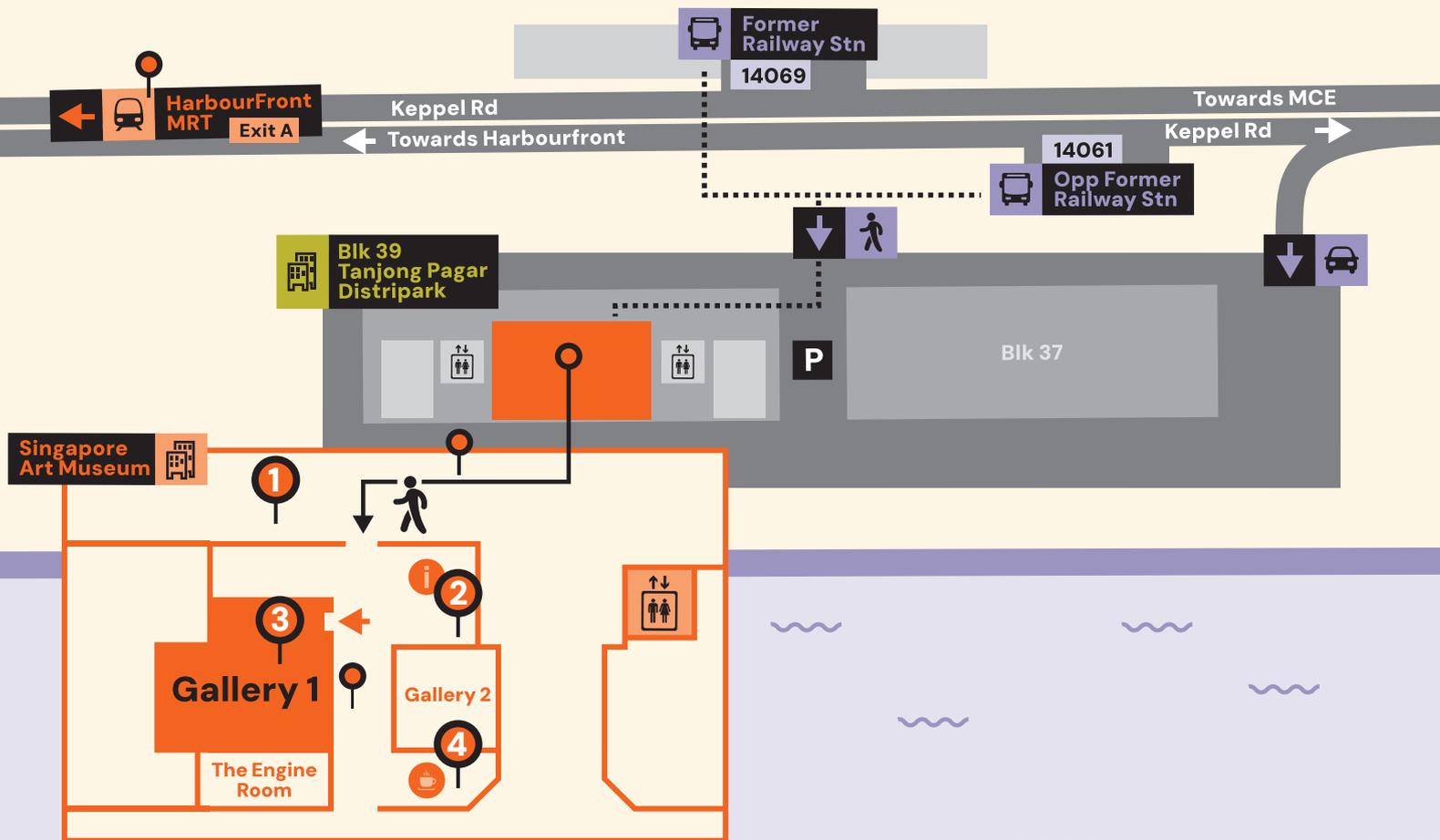
Huang Po-Chih

Izat Arif

For more information
about the artists, exhibited
works, and venues, visit
singaporebiennale.org.

Suggested Trail: Intention to Wander

Singapore Art Museum
⌚ 1.5Hrs



A trail for solo wandering. As you move through each artwork, take a moment to slow down, observe, and reflect.

1 SAM Entrance and Reception Foyer
Begin your walk outside with **CAMP's *Metabolic Container***, an installation built from cardboard boxes which reimagines the flow of goods and stories.

2 Inside, be greeted by **Paul Chan's *Khara En Tria (Joyer in 3)*** where three nylon figures are caught in a playful looping dance, animated by air.

3 SAM Gallery 1
Step into **Pierre Huyghe's *Offspring*** and immerse yourself in a play of light, smoke, and sound.

Explore **Ming Wong's *Filem-Filem-Filem***, a series of digital photographs tracing the fading beauty of old cinemas.

4 SIP at SAM
Take a break at SIP at SAM. Try one of our sourdough sandwiches or pastries, and enjoy **Huang Po-Chih's *Momocha***, a kombucha brewed with ingredients from Xinpu, Hsinchu, Taiwan.

While you rest, explore **RRD's *Gastrogeography: Stories from Mexico to Singapore***, a collection of zines and sculpted dishes that share stories of food and memory. Think of a meal that has stayed with you—who you shared it with, and what you remember most.

 As you prepare to leave, take a moment to reflect on what you've noticed along the way, and what you're taking with you.

Artwork Locations Wayfinding Landmarks

Visit singaporebiennale.org to download a digital copy of the map and guide.

Suggested Trail: Intention to Love

Rail Corridor:
Wessex Estate & Tanglin Halt
🕒 3Hrs

- Artwork Locations
- Wayfinding
- Landmarks

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Enjoy a walk with someone you love along the Rail Corridor. Discover old shophouses, market stalls, and art, with photo spots to pause and enjoy the view as the sun sets.

- Blenheim Court**
 Step inside and explore the multimedia installations across each floor. Notice how sound and light shift around you—what draws your attention first?
- Wessex Estate: Lawn below 10 Woking Road**
 As you walk along the field, look out for the colourful strings of beads in **Aya Rodriguez-Izumi's Gate: 3**, created with local communities. Watch them sway in the breeze as you walk hand in hand.

📷 Photo spot: the open field beneath the trees.
- Along Rail Corridor: Near 55 Commonwealth Drive**
 Continuing along the Rail Corridor, look down the path—do you notice something colourful in the drain? That's **Kate Newby's A Line Through Time**, quietly embedded in the landscape.

☁️ Take this stretch to share a memory with each other.
- Tanglin Halt: Blk 47–49**
 Head towards Tanglin Halt and keep an eye out for benches from **Izat Arif's In Loving Memory** and take a moment to sit together, enjoying the peace and stillness.

🎬 Travel back in time and discover **Adrian Wong's With Hate from Hong Kong**, inspired by old Hong Kong cinema.

📷 Pose together—like stars in a classic Hong Kong film.

🍪 End your journey on a sweet note and pop into Kian Seng biscuit shop for some old-school gem biscuits!



Suggested Trail: Intention to Explore

Civic District
🕒 2Hrs



Grab your friends and embark on this trail through the Civic District, taking you across parks and galleries filled with installations, sculptures, and spaces to make memories together.

- 1 Fort Canning Centre: Gallery@L3**
Start your trail with **Cian Dayrit's *Feudal Fields*** series featuring embroidered textiles and **Faysal Altunbozar's *Feeders*** series of wing-like sculptures and birdfeeders—perfect conversation starters.

 Have your breakfast at Le Jardin, a Parisian-style café.
- 2 Fort Canning Park: Fort Gate Footpath and Fort Gate**
Stroll to Fort Canning Park and linger beneath **Kapwani Kiwanga's *Flowers for Africa: Rwanda***, a eucalyptus-covered installation offering a quiet moment for reflection.
- 3** Step inside for **Jacqueline Kiyomi Gork's *HNZF IV***, a fountain where sound shifts depending on where you stand.
- 4 Fort Canning Park: Raffles House Lawn**
Continue towards Raffles House Lawn and encounter **Ayesha Singh's *Continuous Coexistences (Singapore)***, sculptures that seem to step out of a sketchbook.
- 5 Fort Canning Park: Fort Canning Lighthouse**
Nearby, discover ***Light Keeper*** by lololol. Scan the QR code to begin an audio walk and return after dark to see the light installation come alive.

 Snap some group shots on your way down to Hill Street!
- 6 The Adelphi**
Catch up and share stories over good food—enjoy crispy wings at Tony Café, classic chicken rice at Chef Lai Café, or sweet fried bananas at King Umar Teh Tarik Café.
- 7 National Gallery Singapore**
Walk over to National Gallery Singapore. Be greeted by **Seung-taek Lee's *Earth Play*** in the Supreme Court Foyer, then continue to Ng Teng Fong Roof Garden Gallery for **Tuan Andrew Nguyen's *Temple***. Listen as the wind moves through the bell structure, concluding your visit on a resonant note.

Programme Guide



Performances

Free with registration



I Just Want You to FEEL the FEELING I FELT by Joo Choon Lin

Sat, 1 Nov 2025

4–4.15pm | 4.30–4.45pm
5–5.15pm | 5.30–5.45pm
6–6.15pm | 6.30–6.45pm

47 Tanglin Halt Road,
#01-327

IT DOESN'T CARE
by Hothouse

Sat, 1 Nov 2025

6.45–8pm

20 Anderson Road

Talks

Free with registration

Level 1, The Engine Room,
SAM at Tanjong Pagar
Distripark

Artist Lecture: Civic Imagination in Practice by Ahmet Ögüt

Fri, 31 Oct 2025

7–8pm

Curatorial Contributor Talk: You Won't Believe What's Under This Bridge by The Packet

Sat, 1 Nov 2025

1–2pm

Artist Talk: State of Assembly by Gabriela Golder

Sat, 1 Nov 2025

6–7pm

Artist Talk: Alternative Distribution Models by RRD

Sun, 2 Nov 2025

1–2pm



Guided Tours

Free with Biennale admission ticket

Docent Tours

Japanese Tour:
Every Thu to Sat, 10.30am

English Tour:
Every Tue to Sun, 2pm

Chinese Tour:
Every Sun, 4pm

*Docent tours begin on 6 Nov 2025. The tour on 6 Dec will be co-guided by Deaf facilitators. Singapore Sign Language (SgSL) interpretation will be provided.

Singapore Art Museum at Tanjong Pagar Distripark

Join our friendly SAM docents for a free 60-minute tour featuring selected artworks from the Biennale.



Cycling Tours

SB2025 Bicycle Tours with Let's Go Tour Singapore

*Group size: 4–10 participants. Sessions will proceed once the minimum number of participants is met.

Sat, 8 Nov | Tue, 18 Nov 2025
Sat, 6 Dec | Tue, 16 Dec 2025
Sat, 3 Jan | Tue, 13 Jan 2026
Sat, 7 Feb | Tue, 17 Feb 2026
Sat, 7 Mar | Tue, 17 Mar 2026

Ticketed at \$70 per pax

Various locations around Civic District

Access Tours

Experience the Biennale through tours conducted by our Deaf facilitators, with Singapore Sign Language (SgSL) interpretation provided.

Sat, 24 Jan 2026
& Sat, 7 Mar 2026

Tanglin Halt



Workshops

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Sun, 2 Nov 2025

2–6pm

Ticketed at \$25 per pax

Singapore Art Museum at Tanjong Pagar Distripark

SB2025 Exclusives

Stamp Rally

Collect your special SB2025 postcard and complete your stamp journey across Blenheim Court, 20 Anderson Road, SAM, and Fort Canning Centre. Visit all the locations and bring home a little piece of your SB2025 experience!



Limited Edition Merchandise

Shop SB2025 merchandise at SIP at SAM — featuring stylish caps, playful socks, and specially designed tote bags by Tropical Futures Institute.

Plus, get your exclusive SB2025 tote bag for just \$5 with any SB2025 ticket. Available only at SAM at Tanjong Pagar Distripark.



Competition

Stick with SAM
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Take part in the Stick with SAM competition! Create stickers in response to Biennale artworks across different locations. Find out more at singaporebiennale.org.

1 Nov 2025 – 16 Jan 2026

*Programme details are subject to change without prior notice. Information is accurate at the time of publication. Visit singaporebiennale.org for the latest updates.

Getting Around



Public Transportation

Begin your Biennale journey from any of the following MRT stations, some of which are also artwork venues*, made possible through a partnership with the Land Transport Authority:

HarbourFront* | Fort Canning* | City Hall | Orchard* | Commonwealth



Shuttle Bus

Enjoy free weekend shuttle services operating across three routes connecting:

- Singapore Art Museum and 20 Anderson Road
- 20 Anderson Road, Far East Shopping Centre and Fort Canning Park
- Singapore Art Museum and Blenheim Court

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