Animals in the Museum at SAM

You don’t normally find animals in an art museum… but SAM has 20 for you to hunt down!

Have fun tracking down each of the 20 animal designs cast on bronze plates and when you find them, place a sheet of paper over to do a rubbing to take home. All school groups visiting SAM may request for an educational kit (Primary) that has been designed to accompany this activity. Find out about animals, and about how dots, lines and textures lend to design.

Visit the Art Space on the 2nd floor of SAM if you need to borrow pencils or some paper. If you have done a very nice rubbing of your favourite animal, write your name and pin it up on the board for others to enjoy. You might get lucky as we’ll be giving little prizes to all good entries.

Postcards Across ASEAN!!

To promote awareness of ASEAN among elementary school students in Southeast Asia and advocate the idea of a common regional identity, schoolchildren across ASEAN will be given the chance to share their heritage with others and, at the same time, learn about their neighbouring countries.

Children aged 6-12 years old will be asked to share something about their school or country by designing (painting/drawing) a postcard and providing a simple write-up. Winners will receive 2 return air tickets for a parent-and-child pair to an ASEAN destination! The best entries will be showcased in an exhibition, as well as at the ASEAN Summit in November 2007.

Visit www.singart.com for more information.

Professional development opportunities for teachers

Educational Materials—What’s New?

Teaching Art in Singapore: A Teacher’s Resource matches an art work from SAM’s permanent art collection to a topic from the 2006 MOE Art syllabus. Ten chapters, each featuring 7-8 art works and designs help teachers plan their lessons in accordance with the new syllabus, with suggestions for the classroom, projects, questions and background information about each artist, including Singapore’s pioneering masters.

The kit will be sold at an introductory launch price of $80 per set of 10 chapters, or $150 for 2 sets. The 3rd set onwards will be charged at $50 per set. Teachers may make orders by contacting jacqueline.chan@nhb.gov.sg Please note that there will be no reprints. While stocks last only.

SAM’s Teachers’ Development Programme

10 teachers were selected for a 5-day attachment programme to the National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne. If you would like to find out more about their experiences on the attachment and how that could lead to your participating in an attachment programme at SAM, do leave your email contact with santha_anthony@nhb.gov.sg **Upcoming Best Practices Workshops for Art teachers (Primary & Secondary) for 2007. Do email for enquiries.

Looking forward to 2007

Chinese New Year Open House (20 Feb 2007)

Join us for our Open House Day during Chinese New Year. Come visit SAM with your family and friends and have a fun-filled day! Take the opportunity to learn more about the art of Chinese New Year calligraphy (or 春联) from calligraphic masters and maybe have a couple of festive couplets written for you to take home. Or you could let your child try creating his/her own calligraphic masterpiece! For more information, do visit www.singart.com

Racial Harmony 2007: Building Communities

Be part of this site installation by having each student spend some time to think about what it means to be part of a certain race. Find an outline of a fold up box, which students may trace out onto OHTs (or rigid plastic) and use permanent ink markers to draw, and add a photograph or an item with 1—2 explanatory paragraphs. Send your contributions to SAM by 30 March 2007 and share in the racial diversity that is Singapore! Kindly request online at nhb_sam_programs@nhb.gov.sg

Deepavali Festival 2007

Get to know your community better and join our exciting Deepavali Festival in November 2007. We’re looking for schools with dance / choral groups who may wish to participate at our weekend festival! Send us a CD of your students for consideration by 30 April 2007.

Students will have the opportunity to find out more about Indian culture and traditions through educational and public programmes. Look forward to an art exhibition of significant Indian artists!
ACTIVITIES FOR SCHOOLS!!

1. The Art of Counting (with new images!)

Art appreciation made as simple as 1-2-3! This interactive session is designed to help your child focus on selected art works and draw on observation. Kids will also be able to test their subject - word recognition skills with regards to numbers. Due to keen interest in this activity, we have extended our special promotional rates!

**TYPE 1**

$30 per session for bookings from kindergartens/playhouses. Group size: 30 (min)-50 (max). Teachers must be present to manage their classes.

**TYPE 2**

$5 per child, inclusive of entry for accompanying adult. Limited to 10-15 kids per class.

2. Get to Know Singapore’s Pioneer Artists

* Special school tours

Here’s your chance to get to know 8 of our local masters. What style did they paint in and what was their favourite subject matter? How can you appreciate their art? Our Gallery Teachers will take you through the galleries and share ways of looking at their art. **New worksheets available for visiting schools (Primary). Do email jacqueline_chan@nhb.gov.sg

2 Jan (Tue) - 28 Feb (Wed). FREE* of charge. Booking limited to one school per day on a first-come-first-served basis. *Subject to $50 cancellation fee

Programme 1: A guided tour around the galleries. Maximum of 15 students per group. Suitable for children aged 8-15.

Programme 2: For groups of 80-120, please request for the same content to be delivered as an interactive talk at SAM’s Auditorium booked for your students. Suitable for children aged 8-15.

3. Of Tides & Times: Southeast Asian Art

Take a journey through selected art of Southeast Asia! This introductory talk will help you appreciate the art and get to know selected regional artists! Students will examine art work and will be taught how to look at art with new perspectives. Learn how to notice details and concepts behind artists’ works so that appreciation will be enhanced.

2 Jan (Tue) - 28 Feb (Wed). Free* of charge for all bookings confirmed by 9 Feb (Fri). Maximum of 120 students. Suitable for children aged 8-15. Please register by requesting a booking form from santha_anthony@nhb.gov.sg *Subject to $50 cancellation fee*

3. art SPACE

Come to the new art SPACE and have fun with creative activities! All activities relate to current exhibitions and are designed to encourage children to respond to the exhibitions and artists featured. Activities include a half-hour gallery tour, with easy-to-understand information about the art and artists, followed by hands-on activities. Our Gallery Teachers will show your child simple activities to help him/her appreciate works from our permanent collection. Recommended for children 5 - 12 years old. Children 8 years and below must be accompanied by a parent/relative. **Every Saturday from 2.00pm - 3.00pm, Level 2 (beside Gallery 2.3 & 2.4)

Chinese New Year art SPACE special!

Visit the art SPACE during this festive period and get to learn from our Gallery Teachers how to make crafts out of ‘hong baos’ or red packets, and bring one back home!

Convergences: Chen Wen Hsi Centennial Exhibition (Now — 8 Apr 2007)

In conjunction with this exhibition, there’ll be special finger painting sessions at the art SPACE with SAM’s Gallery Teachers for a limited period only. Do come and find out how Chen made use of different parts of his hands to paint and try it yourself!

Exhibitions

Convergences: Chen Wen Hsi Centennial Exhibition (Now — 8 April 2007)

Chen Wen Hsi is one of Singapore’s pioneer artists. A keen observer and an animal lover, his favoured subject matter includes landscapes, figures, birds and animals, still-life studies and abstract compositions. He was proficient in both traditional Chinese ink and Western oil painting, and experimented with a variety of styles including Fauvism and Cubism.

This exhibition is a tribute to the legendary artist’s outstanding artistic life. It tracks Chen’s creative development and his profound influence on the Singapore art community, featuring key works from notable periods in his artistic career.

In conjunction with this exhibition, art SPACE will be having a Chen Wen Hsi animal design competition where anyone is allowed to design their own squirrels or gibbons, and have them displayed on a ‘tree’. The cutest design wins a prize! For more details, visit www.singart.com or SAM’s art SPACE at Level 2 today!

Between, Beside and Beyond: Daniel Libeskind’s Reflections and Key Works, 1989—2014 (4 Jan—15 Jan 2007)

See drawings that make you go 'WOW'! See how the museum and its courtyards are transformed to showcase the fabulous drawings and designs of Daniel Libeskind, the world famous architect who won the architectural design competition for the World Trade Centre site in New York City’s design. Get to know his other fabulous designs around the world in this special exhibition at SAM.

*Information shown correct at time of printing