



**From the communications team.....**

Welcome to our new members, Maiko Masuda, Clare Harraghy & Manjeet Kaur Dhillon who have joined since our last Newsletter. We hope you enjoy being a member of the Malaysian Culture Group.

The Events Planning team is looking for new members to help organise events for the general members of the MCG. If you are interested in joining the team please contact Noriko Nishizawa the Events Planning Convenor on [eventsconvenermcg@gmail.com](mailto:eventsconvenermcg@gmail.com).

Michelle Pease (Communications Convenor)

**Coming up...**



**Lecture: Understanding Of Multicultural Malaysia by Asma Abdullah**  
Wednesday, 6th December, 2023



**Excursion: Thaipusam Festival Tour with Sean Liew**  
Wednesday, 24th January, 2024



**Lecture: The Grand Gibbon: The Ape That Sailed To France In 1755 by Teckwyn Lim**  
Wednesday, 7th February, 2024

**Reviews...**

**Events**



**Wednesday, 1st November, 2023**  
Lecture: Kota Raja Mahadi Fort Restoration with Mariana Isa  
Review by Daniela Beloreshka

**Wednesday, 17th October, 2023**  
Excursion: Nine Emperor Gods' Festival Tour with Sean Liew  
Review by Elena Shim



**Enak!**  
**Saturday, 14th October, 2023**  
Beggars' Chicken  
New Heong Kee Restaurant, Ampang  
Review by Susheela Nadarajah



**Book Groups: October, 2023**  
Book Group 1  
The Orphan Keeper  
Author: Camron Wright  
Review by Jay (Jung MIn Lee)

Book Group 2  
The Stationery Shop  
Author: Marjan Kamali  
Review by Asema Singhal

**President's Message**

Dear Fellow Members and Friends,

Greetings!



We will have two more activities before the year 2023 ends. A lecture on Wednesday, 6 December, organised by the Events Planning Team, and an Enak! lunch on Thursday, 7 December. Hope I will see many of you there.

Speaking of year end, I have three messages for you. Firstly, your 2023 membership will expire on 31 December 2023. To continue your membership, please renew it asap. Details can be found in the email from Vivin Sjamsir, our Membership Convenor. Exception is for those who joined on or after 1 September 2023. You have the privilege to enjoy the extended membership until 31 December 2024.

Secondly, we will say good bye to the Group's 40th anniversary logo. Its usage will cease effective on 31 December 2023. However, its wonderful memory will stay with us for a very long time. We will carry it with us as we enter a new chapter, which will hopefully be more exciting and brighter.

Thirdly, please save the date for the Annual General Meeting. It will be held on Wednesday, 8 May 2024. Your attendance is important, hence the reason why I am informing you way in advance. Further details will be announced closer to the date. For now, please mark your calendar.

Finally, I would like to wish you safe travels, if you will be away during the holidays.

A Blessed Christmas to those who celebrate!

With my warmest regards,

*Ay Ling Liem*

**A NOTE ABOUT ONLINE PAYMENTS FOR MCG EVENTS:**

Occasionally the MCG may require online payment for certain Events. It is essential that you include both your full name and the Event name in the Ref 1 & Ref 2 sections of your payment details so that we can see who has paid quickly. Could you also please send your payment receipt to [mcgklevnts@gmail.com](mailto:mcgklevnts@gmail.com).

Online payments should be made to the following account.

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**Meet your New MCG Committee**



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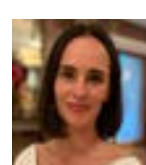
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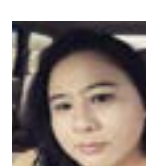
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The MCG Committee remains steadfastly committed to ensuring that the MCG meets the needs of our members. If you have any questions or feedback, please feel free to contact any of the Committee members by email. Yours in service of Malaysian culture!