



From the team.....

Did you know that the MCG has an Instagram and Facebook page? To see posts from both these pages just click the icons below and click follow.



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.

Michelle Pease (Communications Convenor)

Coming up...



Lecture on Ramadan and How it is Celebrated in Malaysia followed by a guided tour of the Federal Mosque
Wednesday, 6th March, 2024



Excursion: Guided tour of the Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra Memorial Complex
Wednesday, 20th March, 2024



Excursion: Guided tour of the "A Journey Through Islamic Art" at IAMM
Wednesday, 3rd April, 2024 - **POSTPONED**



AGM: The Malaysian Culture Group's 42nd Annual General Meeting to be held at the Royal Selangor Golf Club
Wednesday, 17th April, 2024

Reviews...

Events



Wednesday, 24th January, 2024
Thaipusam Festival Tour at Batu Caves Temple Complex
Review by Kathy Thompson

Wednesday, 7th February, 2024
Lecture: The Grand Gibbon - From Kedah to Paris in the 18th Century
Review by Martina Ziesse

Enak!



Thursday, 11th January, 2024
Triptyk with food by Engkita
Review by Zeff Khan



Book Groups: January, 2024
Book Group 1
The Island of Missing Trees
Author: Elif Shafak
Review by Marianne Khor

Book Group 2
Patron Saints of Nothing
Author: Randy Ribay
Review by Jennifer Frances

President's Message

Hello MCG Members and Friends,



In this March 2024 Newsletter issue, I would like to draw your attention to a number of important announcements.

First of all, the MCG website. Yes, we heard you. A revamping of the MCG website is overdue. Recently, a special team was formed with the task of modernising the site. If you have experience with designing websites and would like to help volunteer your know-how, please contact Tajuddin Idrus at mcgkexplorers@gmail.com before 15 March 2024.

Secondly, we are also looking for a volunteer to fill in the Communications Convenor position, currently held by Michelle Pease. She has been an MCG Committee Member, on and off, in various positions since 2006, but unfortunately will be resigning from the Committee at the upcoming AGM. My sincere appreciation to Michelle for her unwavering dedication and valuable contributions to the MCG's achievements. I wish her all the very best.

Thirdly, please be on the lookout for a preliminary notice of the Annual General Meeting (AGM), which will be emailed by the Secretary (Melinda Klanderman) to all active members by 18 March 2024. The AGM itself will be on Wednesday, 17 April 2024.

Fourthly, as of 7 February 2024 there were 22 members who have not renewed their membership. We really hope to hear from them before we take their names out from the member database on 29 February 2024. After this date, they will no longer receive any announcements or invitations to our activities, including Annual General Meetings.

Ramadan is coming. I wish all my Muslim friends and family a Ramadan Kareem!

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.

Online payments should be made to the following account.

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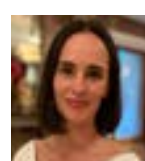
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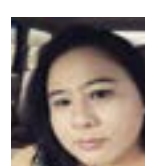
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The MCG Committee remains steadfastly committed to ensuring that the MCG meets the needs of our members. If you have any questions or feedback, please feel free to contact any of the Committee members by email. Yours in service of Malaysian culture!