

WELCOME TO OUR

Newsletter

Merry
Christmas!

In this newsletter you will find:

Upcoming events, latest reviews, and more. Keep Reading!



Upcoming Events

Please remember to **sign up** to Enak!, Explorers and Book Groups by emailing the Convenors. We have a reduced calendar in December as many people travel, but hope you can make these early activities.



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Malaysian
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MONTHLY ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

For more information, please see email invitations or contact the [section convenors](#).

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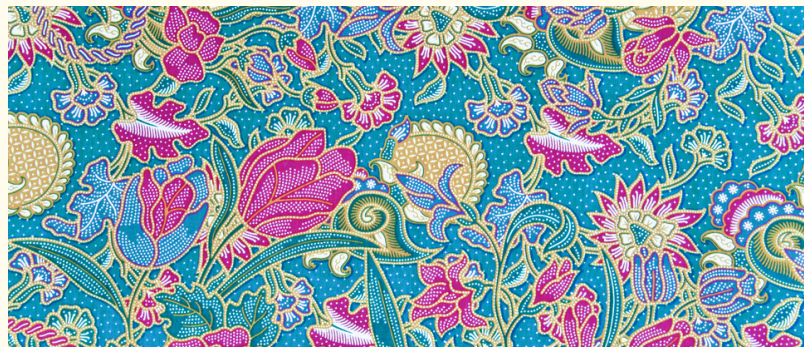
DECEMBER

2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	01	02 An Explorer's Journey - Postponed to next year - TBC	03 National Batik Day Komplex Kraft Guided Tour	04 Enak! Indonesian Cuisine	05	06
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We wish
you
all
the
Best

Farewell to
Michelle Pease...
see next page for more



Farewell to Michelle

With many thanks and best wishes, we wish Michelle Pease all the best for the future as she moves back to Australia permanently. Many of you will know Michelle as she has been part of the MCG for 20 years! She has held a variety of positions and helped in innumerable ways. Her most recent role was leading the events team as Convenor and here is a heartfelt tribute and example of Michelle's capability from her team member, Diana Cooper:

"Michelle has been a genuine stalwart of the Events Planning Team, constantly morphing ideas into the reality of enjoyable informative cultural events. Which is not always as straight forward or a smooth transition as you may imagine. Michelle has overseen many events and has displayed an apt ability to multi-task, from dealing with missing speakers to faulty equipment, Michelle has stepped up to the challenge.

On one occasion at Muzium Seni Asia, a treasure house of Asian artefacts, hidden within the campus of Universiti Malaya, a special event had been organised for MCG. Textiles from the University's enviable collection had been carefully selected by Abd. Aziz Rashid, the University's Head Curator, for their rarity and age. These fragile items would normally only be shared with academics and students.

Unfortunately, the assistant to the curator was unable to attend. Michelle took over the role, not only assisting but sharing her textile acumen. It was a remarkable morning, with not one but two experts sharing and exchanging their knowledge and passion. Definitely, a bonus for MCG members."



We are grateful that she dedicated her time to Malaysian culture and contributed so much to the group, even when she had family commitments and was travelling back and forth. We appreciate all the time, effort, enthusiasm and ideas she brought to the MCG. Thank you Michelle.

Michelle receiving a Certificate of Appreciation from YB Dato' Seri Dr Wan Azizah binti Wan Ismail for lending her fabulous textile collection to the Fabrics of ASEAN: The Eternity of Weaving exhibition at Muzium Negara.





Flavour of the month

This month we have a wonderful Christmas recipe that our Enak! members will have the chance to taste soon!

Angela Widjaya has kindly shared an Indonesian dish, Brenebon Soup. It originated from Manado, in the North of Sulawesi. It's a comfort food that is often served during Christmas time, since Manado is largely populated by Christians.

Angela advises that the dish is warm and easy to make and she hopes you like it! Thanks so much Angela.



Our second and final recipe is from our President, Corinne, and is a Eurasian dish, also often eaten at Christmas.

Don't let the name put you off!

Kari Debal / Devil's Curry



Thanks again to Elena Shim for the recipe idea this year, inspired by the delicious dishes our members brought to the pot luck in 2024. If you have any suggestions for the newsletter, please send your ideas to communications@mcgkl.org



Latest Reviews

ON THE [WEBSITE](#)

Enak! – Chinese Tea Cuisine

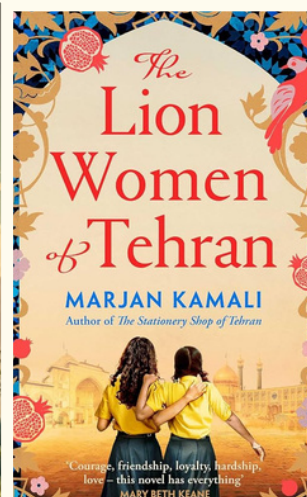
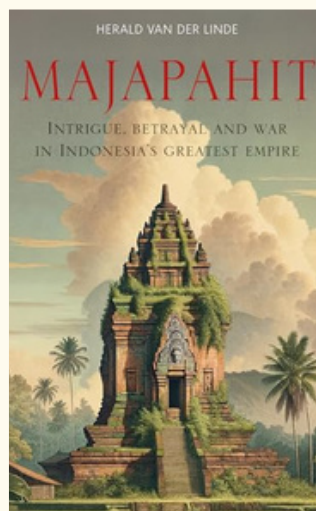
Events – [Nine Emperor Gods Festival](#), [Batik Paintings Talk](#)

Explorers – [Kuala Lumpur Polo Club](#)

Book Groups – [The Island of Sea Women](#),
[The Bonesetter's Daughter](#)

Book Groups December

READING FOR JANUARY



Have
your say



Call for Contributions

Many thanks to all those who have sent in recipes or Cultural tips/questions this year. We'll be starting a new section where we ask Members to **share their memories of past MCG activities they've enjoyed.**

Please speak to the convenor at your next event, or email the address below if you're willing to share your thoughts.

We love our Members to be involved so if you have any suggestions, ideas or requests, please contact the relevant section convenor or email communications@mckgl.org