~ Recommendations ~

- Selena Tan
  Arguably one of Singapore’s funniest women, talented local artiste Selena Tan (b. 1971, Singapore–) is a director, playwright, ...

- Emma Yong
  Emma Yong Oi-Mun (b. 20 January 1975, Malaysia–d. 2 May 2012, Singapore) was a well-loved stage performer. The versatile ...

- Chong Tze Chien
  Chong Tze Chien, 张子健 (b. 1974, Singapore–) is a talented and versatile playwright. One of Singapore’s brightest playwrights, ...

- Tanya Chua
  Tanya Chua (蔡健雅) (b. 28 January 1975, Singapore–) is a critically acclaimed Singapore Mandopop singer-songwriter who ...

- The Straits Times’ Life! Theatre Awards
  The Straits Times’ Life! Theatre Awards was inaugurated in 2001. It is organised by Life!, the arts and entertainment ...

- Desmond Sim
  Desmond Sim Kim Jin (b. 1961, Singapore–) is a playwright, poet, short-story writer and painter. He is best known for ...

- Ivan Heng
  Ivan Heng (b. 1963, Singapore–), an accomplished stage actor and director, is the founding artistic director of theatre ...

- Jack Neo
  Neo Chee Keong (b. 1960, Singapore–), popularly known as Jack Neo, is an actor, emcee and filmmaker. He was awarded ...

- Royston Tan
  Royston Tan (b. 5 October 1976, Singapore–) is an award-winning Singaporean film-maker who is hailed as one of the most ...

- World of Music, Arts and Dance (WOMAD) Singapore
  World of Music, Arts and Dance (WOMAD) Singapore was an arts event that made its debut in 1998 at the Festival of Arts. ...

- Roger Jenkins
  Roger Jenkins (b. 1953, Singapore–), Singapore-born Briton turned Singaporean, drama educator, poet, playwright, storyteller, ...

- Stefanie Sun
  Sng Ee Tze (b. 23 July 1978–), better known as Stefanie Sun Yan Zi (孙燕姿), is a Singaporean singer said to be the nation’s ...

- Spell#7
  Spell#7 is a local English performance company founded in 1997 by husband-and-wife team, Briton Paul Rae and Singaporean ...

- Jacinth Abisheganaden
  Jacinth Abisheganaden (b. 3 October 1957, Singapore–) is an accomplished Singapore actress, entertainer and jazz singer. ...

- The Finger Players
  One of Singapore’s most successful local puppet troupes, The Finger Players (TFP) is a non-profit company founded in ...

- TheatreWorks
  TheatreWorks is Singapore’s flagship English language theatre company formed in 1985 by theatre practitioners Lim Siauw ...

- Dick Lee
  Lee Peng Boon (b. 1956, Singapore–), popularly known as Dick Lee, is one of Singapore’s best-known personalities in ...

- Eric Khoo
  Eric Khoo Kim Hai (b. 27 March 1965, Singapore–), better known simply as Eric Khoo, is a local filmmaker who has been ...

- Speak Good English Movement
  The Speak Good English Movement (SGEM) was launched on 29 April 2000 by then Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong to “encourage ...

- Corrinne May
  Considered one of Singapore’s foremost English artistes, singer-songwriter Corrinne May has enjoyed critical and popular ...

- Michael Chiang
  Michael Chiang (b. 1955, Malaysia–), a prolific playwright of the 1980s and 1990s, has received accolades for his contributions ...

- Taufik Batishah
  Taufik Batishah (b. 10 December 1981, Singapore–) is a singer, songwriter and music producer. After winning the first ...

- Kumar
  Kumarason Chinnadurai (b. 10 August 1968, Singapore–), popularly known as Kumar, is a stand-up comedian, actor, host ...

- Nadiputra
  Playwright, director, producer and actor, Almahdi Al-Haj Ibrahim (b. 1946, Singapore–), better known as Nadiputra, is ...

- S. Varathan
  S. Varathan (b. 22 February 1934, Singapore–), recipient of the National Arts Council Cultural Medallion in 1984, has ...

- Max Le Blond
  Max Le Blond (b. 1950, Singapore–) was conferred the Cultural Medallion for Theatre in 1987. At age 37, he was then ...

- Singapore Symphony Orchestra
  The Singapore Symphony Orchestra (SSO) is a fulltime professional orchestra that officially debuted in 1979 as Singapore’s ...

- Kuo Pao Kun
Kuo Pao Kun (b. 1939, Xiaoguo village, Hebei, China – d. 10 September 2002, Singapore) was a playwright who produced plays ... 

Major music festivals in Singapore
Music festivals play an important role in developing audiences and Singapore’s music scene. Grouping music events into ... 

Haresh Sharma
Haresh Sharma (b. 1965, Singapore – ) is the resident playwright of The Necessary Stage, Singapore. A critically-acclaimed ... 

Mediacorp Raintree Pictures
Mediacorp Raintree Pictures is the pioneering local film production company in Singapore. Formed in August 1998, the ... 

Lut Ali
Lut Ali (b. 1 June 1957 – ) is a well-known actor, television producer, playwright and director of Malay theatre and ... 

Goh Eck Kheng
Goh Eck Kheng (b. 1955, Singapore – ) is the founder of publishing house, Landmark Books. He served as a board member ... 

Margaret Chan
Margaret Chan (Dr) (b. 1949, Singapore – ) is an actress and writer. As a stage, television and film actress, she has ... 

Teater Ekamatra
Teater Ekamatra was founded by playwright, dramatist and director Lut Ali and his wife Rubie Lazim in 1988 to develop ... 

Singapore’s first television station
The first television station in Singapore, Television Singapura, was launched on 15 February 1963. It merged with Radio ... 

Speak Mandarin Campaign
The Speak Mandarin Campaign was launched on 7 September 1979 by the then prime minister of Singapore, Lee Kuan Yew. ... 

Indie music in Singapore
Independent (commonly shortened to “indie”) music encompasses a wide range of musical genres, including rock, pop, metal ... 

Violet Oon
Violet Oon (b. 1949, Malaysia – ) is a food critic, consultant, chef and cookbook writer. She is said to be one of the ... 

Margaret Leng Tan
Margaret Tan Hee Leng (b. 1945, Singapore – ), popularly known as Margaret Leng Tan, is a pianist and a leading figure ... 

Siva Choy
Choy Sivanandan (b. 1947, Singapore – 4 March 2018, Perth, Australia), better known as Siva Choy, was a musician, humourist ... 

Choo Hwee Lim
Choo Hwee Lim (b. 28 September 1931, Singapore – d. 12 May 2008, Singapore) was an important figure in the development ... 

Quek Ling Kiong
Quek Ling Kiong (郭勇德) (b. 1967, Singapore – ) is a percussionist and the resident conductor of the Singapore Chinese Orchestra ... 

Choo Hoey
Choo Hoey (b. 20 October 1934, Palembang, Sumatra, Indonesia – ) is the founder and conductor emeritus of the Singapore ... 

Kit Chan : first Youth Ambassador
Kit Chan, (b. 15 September 1972, Singapore – ), local performing artist, poet and entrepreneur, was appointed as Singapore’s ... 

T.H.E Dance Company
The Human Expression Dance Company, better known as T.H.E Dance Company, is a non-profit contemporary dance company ... 

Lynnette Seah
Lynnette Seah Mei Tsing (b. 1957, Singapore – ), better known simply as Lynnette Seah, is an internationally acclaimed ... 

Goh Soo Khim
Goh Soo Khim (b. 1944, Singapore – ) is a ballerina, choreographer and dance educator. She was one of the co-founders ... 

W!LD RICE
W!LD RICE is a professional theatre company started in 2000 by actor, playwright and director Ivan Heng. Staging shows ... 

Dream Academy Productions
Dream Academy Productions (DAP) is a theatre production company established by local actress and comedian Selena Tan ... 

The Hossan Leong show : trailer
Hossan Leong, Singapore’s funny-man, returns to the Drama Centre with a BRAND NEW episode of his ‘machiam-TV’ talkshow. ... 

Crazy Christmas : trailer
Dream Academy’s Crazy Christmas returns, with more cheeky renditions of popular tunes and hilarious stand-up comedy ... 

Early life
Leong received his primary and secondary education at the Anglo-Chinese School. During his secondary level, he joined the Boys’ Brigade, as his extra-curricular activity (ECA), but later switched to the Gardening Society, for which he was the president. Other childhood interests of his included playing the piano. His first acting attempt was at the Anglo-Chinese Junior College, where he played the doctor in a staging of The Diary of Anne Frank. 

Having failed his General Certificate of Education O-Level Chinese examination four times, Leong was expelled from his junior college. He then went on to pursue a diploma in electronic engineering from the French-Singapore Institute, which is now known as Nanyang Polytechnic. However, owing to his unhappiness studying engineering, he quit school to carve a career in acting – a decision his family supported.

Leong first developed an interest in professional acting during his time in national service. He was subsequently introduced to Haresh Sharma of theatre company, The Necessary Stage. He first acted professionally in The Necessary Stage’s production, Off Centre, in 1993. The following year, he appeared in Talk, a talk-show comedy that Sharma had specially written for him. His career progressed from then on, with Leong taking up his first television role, Sponge, in the popular local
Leong stages an annual live show called The Hossan Leong Show, which first premiered in 2009. The popular comedy satirises current affairs. In 2011, he appeared on Singapore Mediacorp TV Channel 5 as a host for We Are Singaporeans, a game show centred on Singapore's culture and history. In addition to hosting radio shows such as The Gold Breakfast Show on Gold 90.5 FM and The Lush Life on LUSH 99.5, Leong has been involved in charity projects such as Kiehl's You Can Change the World, as well as charity performances including When I was Little for children's theatre group, The Little Company, to raise funds for the company. He has also acted as a voice-over artist for many radio and television commercials.

Other work
Leong is the co-founder and director of Paul Carr Consultancy, a communications agency. In 2013, he also established Double Confirm Productions, which stages some of his shows and provides entertainment services for clients.

Selected works
1993: Full-time actor/facilitator for The Necessary Stage.
2001: Acted in the film, One Leg Kicking as Eugene, the soccer team coach.
2005: Directed Rodgers and Hammerstein’s Flower Drum Song for AHA! Productions.
2008: Performed in the solo concert Seriously Hossan for Esplanade’s Late Nite Series. Also directed Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs for Wild Rice.
2009: Directed Beauty & the Beast for Wild Rice.

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