

MEDIA ANNOUNCEMENT

In Memoriam: Lee Kuan Yew



*Portrait of Lee Kuan Yew, 23 November 2004,
Photograph by Tara Sosrowardoyo, National Museum of Singapore Collection*

Singapore, 24 March 2015 – This memorial exhibition at the National Museum of Singapore chronicles the life and political career of Singapore’s first Prime Minister and founding father Lee Kuan Yew. It also highlights the ideals and convictions that shaped Mr Lee and his generation of leaders. Through a selection of photographic images and audiovisual recordings, as well as artefacts from the National Collection, the exhibition begins with Mr Lee’s formative years as a law student at Cambridge and his early involvement in the anti-colonial struggle. It also traces his political career from the formation of the People’s Action Party, through his Prime Ministership, to his final years of service as Senior Minister and Minister Mentor. Mr Lee’s political biography is inextricably linked to Singapore’s own journey from British colony to merger with Malaysia to Separation and independence. This exhibition chronicles that journey and pays tribute to his contributions. This exhibition will enable visitors to remember and reflect on the solid foundation that he built for Singapore.

The memorial exhibition will be held at the Glass Atrium, Level 2, National Museum of Singapore from Wednesday, 25 March to Sunday 26 April 2015. The exhibition is open daily from 10am to 8pm. Admission to this exhibition is free for all visitors.



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About the National Heritage Board

The National Heritage Board (NHB) was formed on 1 August 1993. Its mission is to foster nationhood, promote identity building, and champion the development of a vibrant cultural and heritage sector in Singapore. As the custodian of Singapore's heritage, NHB is responsible for telling the Singapore story, sharing the Singaporean experience and imparting our Singapore spirit. NHB manages the national museums, heritage institutions, the Language Councils Secretariat and sets policies relating to heritage sites, monuments and the national collection. Through the national collection, NHB curates heritage programmes and presents exhibitions to connect the past, present and future generations of Singaporeans. NHB is a statutory board under the Ministry of Culture, Community, Youth and Sports. Please visit www.nhb.gov.sg for more information.

About the National Museum of Singapore

With a history dating back to its inception in 1887, the National Museum of Singapore is the nation's oldest museum with a progressive mind. Its galleries adopt cutting-edge and multi-perspective ways of presenting history and culture to redefine conventional museum experience. A cultural and architectural landmark in Singapore, the Museum hosts innovative festivals and events all year round—the dynamic Night Festival, visually arresting art installations, as well as amazing performances and film screenings—in addition to presenting thought-provoking exhibitions involving critically important collections of artefacts. The programming is supported by a wide range of facilities and services including F&B, retail and a Resource Centre. The National Museum of Singapore re-opened in December 2006 after a three-year redevelopment, and celebrated its 125th anniversary in 2012. It is currently undergoing a revamp of its permanent galleries. For more details, please visit www.nationalmuseum.sg