



Press Release

Celebrate Mid-Autumn Festival in Chinatown

Highlights include lantern-making workshops, Chang'e games and more

August 2022 – In celebration of this year’s Mid-Autumn Festival, Chinatown Business Association (CBA) and Chinatown stakeholders will present a series of fun activities for this joyous occasion.

On 27 August 2022, the cultural instructors at Another Day (Meng Hui 梦回) will be conducting the Chinese Fan Workshop, Chinese Flower Lantern Workshop, Chinese Flower Lantern Workshop and Hair Accessories Workshop.

The Chinese Fan Workshop will guide participants with techniques to create beautiful fans, as well as an introduction into the history of Chinese fans. The 2-hour workshop is suitable for learners with no required prior experience. All materials are provided and children above age 12 should be accompanied by an adult in this workshop.

Besides introducing how to wear the traditional Hanfu costume (styles of clothing worn by the Han Chinese), it is also important to have the right hairstyle with intricate hair accessories to complete the final look. The Hair Accessories Workshop will be conducted by instructors to help participants to create easy yet elegant hair styles to match their costumes.

The Mid-Autumn Festival celebrates the end of the autumn harvest with family gatherings, mooncakes and carrying lanterns is a favourite among children. On the 3rd September, there will be a Lantern Making Workshop at Chinatown where participants can build their own animal character lanterns.

Chinese lanterns are hung as a form of display art to commemorate occasions and various lantern forms can be decorated as festive decorations in homes to this day. Chinese zodiac animals have lucky meanings, and it is believed that people born in a given year have the personality of that year's animal, associated with certain characteristics. Conducted at the Chinatown street market, participants of this workshop will learn to build a festive lantern based on their choice of motifs or animals.

“The Mid-Autumn Festival takes place annually on the 15th of the eighth month in the lunar calendar or 10th September this year. In preparation for this festive celebration, we are glad to organise this series of festive games and workshops to help gather families and friends to revel in festivities. Activities such as taking Instagram photos



in Hanfu costumes are a modern way to celebrate Chinese ancient culture while bringing people closer together. We hope that families and children of all ages can visit Chinatown during this festive season to create wonderful memories,” said Ms. Lim Yick Suan, Executive Director of Chinatown Business Association.

Chinatown Chang’e Games

Tourists as well as locals who are well-versed with the legend of Chang’e and her husband Houyi may also be interested to explore the Chang’e Games station, a first in Chinatown. Held at the Kreta Ayer Square and Chinatown Street Market on 27 and 28 August, Chang’e dressed in Hanfu costumes will appear every hour from 1pm at Chinatown Visitor Centre to explain the games and to hand out the game cards. The game is best played in pairs or with a group of friends, where a stamp can be collected upon the completion of a specific task. Participants who are able to complete the game within 90 minutes will get to win attractive prizes.

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Chinatown Business Association (CBA) was set up by a group of passionate Chinatown stakeholders drawn from a cross-section of business leaders, grassroots leaders, Chinese clan associations, hoteliers, hawkers, retailers, and more. CBA is a non-profit organisation serving and promoting the business and community interest of stakeholders in Chinatown. For more information, visit chinatown.sg.

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