

## What to do



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### **DANCE PERFORMANCE KATHAK PRAVAHA 2024**

The Indian classical dance show Kathak Pravaha returns for one night to celebrate the rich heritage of the Kathak dance form.

The theme for 2024 is Panchamahabhuta, focusing on the five elements of space, air, fire, water and earth. Choreographed by Bhupali Deshpande, the production is aimed at all audiences regardless of their knowledge of Kathak or Indian classical dance.

Organised by Kalpravaha – Home of Performing Arts, the production series began in 2015 with the goal of bringing the storytelling dance form of Kathak to new and existing audiences.

A special collaboration with Malay dance artists blends the elegance of Kathak with the dynamic energy of Malay dance. A joint segment will feature dancer-choreographer Sharul Mohammed along with two dancers from his dance collective, S4cred Conn8tion (Sacred Connection).

**WHERE** The Grassroots' Club Auditorium, 190 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 8  
**MRT** Yio Chu Kang

**WHEN** Sept 1, 5pm

**ADMISSION** \$20

**INFO** [instagram.com/kalpravaha](https://www.instagram.com/kalpravaha)



**Kathak Pravaha 2024 features a dance collaboration between Bhupali Deshpande (left) and Sharul Mohammed (above).** PHOTO: COURTESY OF KALAPRAVAHA – HOME OF PERFORMING ARTS



### **ART EXHIBITION INCEPTION & FORESIGHT**

A new art gallery specialising in contemporary and modern artworks by Japanese artists presents its eponymous debut exhibition, Inception & Foresight. Taking the initials of these two words as its

**Navigator is a 3m-tall cat sculpture by acclaimed Japanese visual artist Kenji Yanobe.** PHOTO: I.F. GALLERY



name, I.F. Gallery aims to showcase works and artists that have been lost to history or not yet received due recognition.

Among the artworks exhibited are a 3m-tall cat sculpture by acclaimed Japanese visual artist Kenji Yanobe. Titled Navigator, the work was created specifically for Singapore, featuring a star on its left arm and crescent moon on its right to embody the Singapore flag.

It is the first of his Ship's Cats series of sculptures to be exhibited in South-east Asia, with the rest being scattered across Japan.

**WHERE** I.F. Gallery, 45 Tras Street

**MRT** Tanjong Pagar/Maxwell

**WHEN** Until Oct 11, 11am to 7pm daily

**ADMISSION** Free

**INFO** [str.sg/7ZTC](https://str.sg/7ZTC)

### **DANCE PERFORMANCE A SYMPHONY OF LIFE**

Singapore Chinese Dance Theatre (SCDT) presents the dance poem A Symphony Of Life as its latest production. Choreographed by company artist director Neo Jenny with a finale by Benedict Soh, the performance embodies the "river of life" metaphor as a call for people to come together under a common purpose.

Set in a garden city, it furthers the dance company's commitment to the exploration and development of Singapore's identity through the form of Chinese dance. Centring on a meandering river to symbolise a perpetual flow, the performance portrays individuals unifying to become a team.

The company began in 1990 as a troupe of around 30 dance enthusiasts ranging from students to adults, and was officially formed two years later by Madam Lim Moi Kim as part of the Singapore Hokkien Huay



**A Symphony Of Life is a dance poem by Singapore Chinese Dance Theatre.** PHOTO: ESPLANADE – THEATRES BY THE BAY

Kuan Arts & Cultural Troupe. Its first ticketed production was ACT Dance Night at the Victoria Theatre in 1991.

Since then, SCDT has continuously upheld the high quality of Chinese dance in Singapore, nurturing new dancers through its dance education programme. It also runs school programmes and two annual community outreach programmes titled Under the BIG Tree and Chinese Dance Fiesta.

**WHERE** Singtel Waterfront Theatre at Esplanade, 8 Raffles Avenue

**MRT** Esplanade

**WHEN** Sept 6 and 7, 3 and 8pm

**ADMISSION** From \$36

**INFO** [esplanade.com/scdt](https://esplanade.com/scdt)