

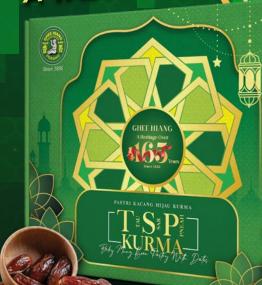
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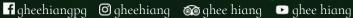
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Pameran dari Gabenor ke TYT 15 Aug 2022 - 31 May 2023

Dewan Sri Pinang and 4 Penang State Library branches in Seberang Jaya, Bertam, Jawi, and Balik Pulau, covering all five districts in the state

The "Dari Gabenor ke TYT" exhibition takes place in five districts of Penang beginning August 2022 until May 2023. This exhibition features antiquities from the Penang State Museum, as well as artefacts from the families of the previous and current governors' families!

George Town Heritage Celebrations 2023 07 Jul 2023

This annual celebration commemorates the city's inscription as a UNESCO World Heritage Site on 07 July 2008. Held since 2009, this much-anticipated community-powered event focuses on different cultural themes each year to celebrate the living heritage and multi-cultural practices and traditions of George Town.



George Town Festival 2023 15 Jul 2023 - 30 Jul 2023

George Town Festival (GTF) is an internationally renowned annual event held in Penang which was first organised in 2010 to celebrate George Town's inscription as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2008. Showcasing the richness and diversity of arts, culture and heritage, this year's Festival is curated as a hybrid festival, integrating traditional forms of on-site entertainment with modern virtual elements.





Awal Muharram 19 Jul 2023

Also known as Maal Hijrah, it marks the first day in the Islamic Calendar (Hijrah Calendar). It is equivalent to the 1st of January in the Gregorian Calendar. In most states, it is gazetted as a public holiday.

Penang Hill Festival 2023 21 Jul 2023 - 23 Jul 2023

Penang Hill

Penang Hill Festival (PHF) is back for its fourth edition! PHF2023 aims to offer the public educational sessions and insights to enjoy the beauty, culture and history of Penang Hill whilst celebrating its designation as a Biosphere Reserve by the International Coordinating Council of UNESCO's Man and the Biosphere Programme.





INPENANG International Awards 22 Jul 2023

The Wembley - A St Giles Hotel, Penang

Penang's most highly anticipated and celebrated gala event to honour the brilliance, charisma, beauty, and perfection of Penang's social and business elite is back for its sixth edition this year.

Hungry Ghost Festival 16 Aug 2023 - 30 Aug 2023

George Town & Around Penang

The Hungry Ghost Festival is a traditional Chinese festival celebrated on the 15th day of the seventh lunar month. Offerings of food, incense, and other items are made to appease the spirits and elaborate performances are staged for both the public and supernatural guests. It is an important part of Chinese culture and a fascinating event for visitors to experience.





Merdeka Day 31 Aug 2023

Penang Esplanade

Every year, Malaysians celebrate Independence (Merdeka) Day with a range of events that aim to cultivate patriotism and educate the younger generation. To mark the 66th anniversary of Malaysia's independence, the Penang State Government will organise an annual Merdeka Parade, featuring contingents from different government agencies participating in the occasion.



For further event information, please visit inpenang.com/listing-form, scan the QR code or email inpenang@chtnetwork.com for any enquiries.

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Thanks to the efforts of YB Yeoh Soon Hin, chairman of the Penang State Exco Office for Tourism and Creative Economy (PETACE), Penang now has its own Michelin Guide! He believes that the inclusion of Penang in the Michelin Guide will further strengthen Penang's position as a world-class gourmet destination.

The Michelin Guide is a prestigious dining guidebook that has been around for over a century. It was first published by the Michelin tyre company in France in 1900 to help motorists find places to eat on their travels. Today, the guide has expanded to cover 24 territories across three continents.

The inclusion of Penang in this prestigious guide is a testament to the quality of its food scene and will undoubtedly attract more visitors from around the world to visit Penang.

Amongst the 46 restaurants listed in Penang, 2 being awarded ONE-MICHELIN-STAR are: Auntie Gaik Lean's Old School Eatery (Nyonya cuisine) and Au Jardin (Molecular Gastronomy).

The inclusion of Penang in this prestigious guide is a testament to the quality of its food scene 99





There are 17 Michelin Bib Gourmand recognised for offering good food at moderate prices.: Bridge Street Prawn Noodle, Communal Table by Gēn, Duck Blood Curry Mee, Green House Prawn Mee & Loh Mee, Ivy's Nyonya Cuisine, Ming Qing Charcoal Duck Egg Char Koay Teow, Moh Teng Pheow Nyonya Koay, Neighbourwood, Penang Road Famous Laksa, Rasa Rasa, Sardaarji, Taman Bukit Curry Mee, Tek Sen, Thara, Theeni Pandarams, Tho Yuen, Wan Dao Tou Assam Laksa.

The full list of the Michelin Guide to Penang, including the other 27 Michelin-select restaurants, can be found at https://guide.michelin.com/my/en/pulau-pinang/restaurants





MICHELIN GUIDE PENANG André Michelin 2022 Édouard Michelin

What started out as a technical resource for drivers compiled in 1900 by Michelin Tyre founders and French industrialist brothers André and Édouard Michelin became the Michelin Guide, printed and given out as free editions with the hope of creating the demand for automobiles and tyres. Complete with tips and handy information such as road maps and locations of petrol stations, how to change or repair a

tyre, Michelin tyre retailers around the country, as well as a selection of the best restaurants, hotels, and other attractions along popular routes in France, it began to rank its selection of fine dining establishments. The best-of-the-best were awarded one to three Michelin stars for the exceptional quality of their cuisine, and in 1936, the criteria for the starred rankings were published.

Since 1955, Bib Gourmands have been awarded to great-value restaurants offering simple yet skilled cooking.

Receiving a Michelin star is the pinnacle of culinary achievement and Penang is proud to have its very own Michelin Guide, thanks to the efforts of YB Yeoh Soon Hin, chairman of the Penang State Exco Office for Tourism and Creative Economy (PETACE).

Michelin Guide Star Rating Descriptions

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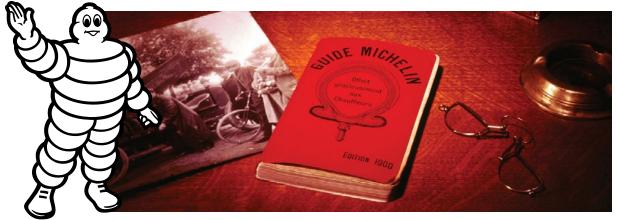
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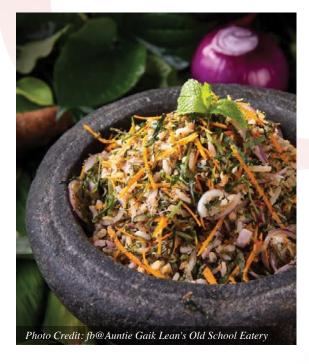
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Excellent cooking, worth a detour

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Exceptional cuisine, worth a special journey







AUNTIE GAIK LEAN'S OLD SCHOOL EATERY 😂



Auntie Gaik Lean's Old School Eatery - a simple Peranakan eatery, housed in a former jewellery shop, exudes the allure of a bygone era from the 1960s. Chef Gaik Lean kept her secret recipes hidden for decades, and makes no compromises in terms of food quality. Many of her dishes are prepared from scratch, including her exquisite pie tee, gulai tumis, and nasi ulam.

https://guide.michelin.com/my/en/pulau-pinang/ my-george-town/restaurant/auntie-gaik-lean-s-oldschool-eatery

RESTAURANT AU JARDIN 😂



Elegant and intimate, the 18-seater Restaurant Au Jardin is an artisanal restaurant focused on natural and seasonal ingredients, serving Chef Kim Hock's simple yet elegant meals that represent culinary heritage as well as originality.

https://guide.michelin.com/my/en/pulau-pinang/mygeorge-town/restaurant/au-jardin







- BRIDGE STREET PRAWN NOODLE
- COMMUNAL TABLE BY GĒN
- DUCK BLOOD CURRY MEE
- Green House Prawn Mee & Loh Mee
- IVY'S NYONYA CUISINE
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- MOH TENG PHEOW NYONYA KOAY
- NEIGHBOURWOOD
- PENANG ROAD FAMOUS LAKSA
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FREZH - Top Penang F&B Industry, is a showcase for some of Penang's best food and beverage industry today. This project is endorsed and supported by Penang Chief Minister YAB Chow Kon Yeow and the Penang state government.

This first-of-its-kind project in Penang features trusted brands, established and emerging businesses, key people behind brands, etc. who deliver farm-to-table F&B solutions. It covers agriculture, food manufacturing, food production, food packaging, distribution, retail and more.

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PENANG'S TOP F&B PLAYERS

in a book

In response to the Penang government's call for a food and beverage industry book, CHTNetwork, headed by Dato' Chng Huck Theng, recently launched FREZH: Top Penang Food & Beverage Industry Coffee Table Book to honour some of the state's finest names and brands in the food and beverage industry.

This first-ever industry book, unveiled by Penang's chief minister, The Right Honourable Mr Chow Kon Yeow, brings together trusted names, established and emerging companies, and important brand players engaged in farm-to-table F&B solutions—a system that emphasises quality local food products while encouraging environmental and economic sustainability, benefiting not only the local economy but also creating new job opportunities.

The book, which has been endorsed and backed by the Penang government, also aims to introduce the world to top Penang F&B industry players in the food trade, food manufacturing, food packaging, distribution, retail, entrepreneurship, food technology, export, and tourism.

The featured F&B industry players also received a recognition certificate from the chief minister himself, witnessed by Dato' Chng.

















GHEE HIANG LAUNCHES TSP KURMA

Indulge in the taste of two cultures with the latest innovation from Ghee Hiang—the newly launched Tau Sar Pneah Kurma (TSP Kurma)! The first biscuit manufacturer in Malaysia to bring together two traditional and popular ingredients: dates (kurma) and mung beans, the new generation of this classic pastry is the perfect combination of nutritious, sweet kurma and savoury mung bean paste.

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The Dragon Boat Festival falls on June 22, 2023.

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- Henry Ward Beecher

Parents - nothing can replace them in our lives. They are the ones who loved us even before we were born and the ones who nurture and guide us throughout our lives. Recognising and celebrating their integral role in the development of a child's life, the UN General Assembly in 2012 proclaimed that the Global Day of Parents be observed on June 1st annually to honour parents worldwide.

Although Parent's Day is celebrated on different dates in different countries, it is a day for us to express gratitude towards our parents for their unconditional love and support and to appreciate the sacrifices they have made

throughout our entire lives.













Durian enthusiasts will be pleased to learn that Penang will have a bountiful crop of this thorny fruit this year!

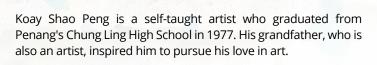
The durian season is expected to begin in May or June this year, due to the recent constant rains and hot weather during the day, which create the ideal environment for the fruit to develop and ripen.

There are so many unique and rare durians found in Penang; there is the legendary D175 "Ang Heh" (Red Prawn), which is Penang's very own "designer" cultivar and champion durian for periodic years; D200 (Black Thorn); the pale and bitter Cheh Poay (green skin); Khun Poh, known for its orange flesh and exotic flowery aroma, and the bittersweet "Hor Lor," says Glenn Chee, a durian connoisseur from Singapore, who heads to the hills of Balik Pulau for his durian fix annually.

And because each durian orchard or farm will have different harvesting periods, we are most certain that you will be able to satisfy your durian cravings for many months to come!

WELCOME TO DURIAN SEASON in Penang!



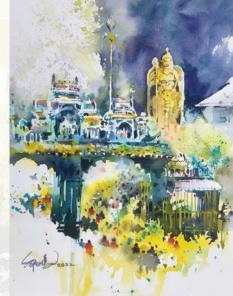


He began teaching painting from home in 1984 and launched his career as an art educator when he opened

> Classical Art Centre in 1985. He has received many accolades and awards since then; namely a Merit Award in the Malaysia Young Talent Art Competition and the 2nd prize in the Beautiful Penang Outdoor Drawing Competition organised by Kwong Wah Daily. Two of his paintings were also selected as special awards in the 1991 Natural Malaysia Watercolour Competition held by Hong Kong Bank and Gallery Wan. Shao Peng also participated in many local and international group exhibitions and held five solo art exhibitions between 2012

and 2018.













He is a master in watercolour and imaginative drawing, winning the Best Award (first prize) at the IWS International Plein Air Cultural Workshop in Nepal. He was also invited to be a guest speaker at the International Children's Art Education Symposium 2018 in Shanghai and a guest lecturer at Urban Sketchers Bangkok and Phuket.

Having published many reference art books for secondary schools, Shao Peng started organising monthly online art sharing events and a Tuesday Urban Sketchwalk group in 2021, supported by both local and foreign artists.

Capturing life through art, he is more focused on composition than lighting, and likes to attempt different ways of creating art, be it on speed, technique, medium or tools. He also believes that proficient skills will speed up production and imagination will help overcome impossibilities.

A member of the Penang Art Society, the Penang Watercolour Society, the Malaysia Watercolour Society, Urban Sketcher Penang, and the International Watercolour Society, Shao Peng also served as the chairman of the Balik Pulau Art Society from 2016-2022.









The first of the four all-new ferries connecting Penang and Butterworth was sighted at a shipyard in Haiphong, Vietnam recently, causing quite a stir when the images were seen circulating on social media.

The ferry, named "Teluk Bahang, Penang", will accommodate motorcycles, bicycles and pedestrians. It will undergo tests on Vietnam waters before heading to Penang, and will be tested again before commencing service. It is expected to arrive in Penang between June and August, and the rest will be delivered in stages thereafter.



The services of the old double-decker ferries, which could transport both passengers and vehicles, were discontinued in 2021 because of the high maintenance cost.

For over 126 years, a ferry service has linked Penang Island and Butterworth on the mainland. After five decades, the iconic double-decker vehicular-cum-passenger ferries were replaced with a passenger speedboat ferry service in 2020. The older ferries are currently being used for bicycles and motorcycles.







FROM THE GOVERNOR TO TYT

"Dari Governor Ke TYT," the first exhibition in Penang to highlight the stages of administration and development in Penang since 1705, was recently launched at the Dewan Sri Pinang by Tun Ahmad Fuzi Abdul Razak, the eighth Governor of Penang.





..to raise awareness about the role of governors, their various functions in the state and the country, as well as to provide exposure and introduce the history of institutions and functions.







The exhibition, which was mooted by Tun Ahmad Fuzi Abdul Razak himself, aims to raise awareness about the role of governors, their various functions in the state and the country, as well as to provide exposure and introduce the history of institutions and functions.

This inaugural exhibition, launched by TYT Tun Ahmad Fuzi Abdul Razak at the Dewan Sri Pinang in August 2022, will travel to Penang State Library branches in Seberang Jaya, Bertam, Jawi, and Balik Pulau, covering all five districts in the states.

The exhibition also included antiquities from the Penang State Museum, as well as artefacts from the previous and current governors' families.

Organised by the Penang State Museum and Art Gallery, the exhibition is free to the public and will run until May 2023.





Happy Dragon Boat Festival 端午节快乐



Happy Parents Day!









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