



From the communications team.....

Welcome/Selamat Datang to our new members that have joined the MCG since last month's Newsletter was sent out.

The Communications team and I wish all members who celebrate a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I will be heading to Australia in a few days to celebrate Christmas with my family and meet my newly arrived grandson Archer Voght. See you in the New Year

Michelle

Coming up...

Excursion : Visit to the Conservation Department of the Islamic Arts Museum, Malaysia
- Wednesday, 7th December, 2022

Event : Year of the Rabbit Chinese New Year Event, this event includes a lecture, Lion Dance Performance and Yee Sang
- Wednesday, 18th January, 2023

Event : Thaipusam Festival Tour with Sean Liew- Saturday, 4th February, 2023

Reviews...

Events:



Wednesday, 9th November, 2022
Doris Van Stratten by Andrew Barber
Review by Elze Mellet

Enak!:



Thursday, 13th October, 2022
Tsuka
Review by Melinda Klanderman & Lisette Davis

Explorers'



Thursday, 20th October, 2022
Deepavali, the Preparation
Review by Anke Kraemer

Book Groups: October, 2022



Book Group 1
Paradise Loss: Mahathir & the End of Hope
Author - Dennis Ignatius
Review by Leslie Muri

Book Group 2
If I had your Face
Author - Frances Cha
Review by Mary Thornton

President's Message



Dear valued members and friends,

Welcome to the December/January edition of the MCG Newsletter! This will be our last edition before our February issue gets released in 2023.

Good news, everyone! Eight new members signed up in November. Please join me in welcoming Ana Starns, Angie Junker, Chris Ward, Daniela Beloshka, Hilda Vandermeulen, Lorna Haizelden, Sara McFeeters and Surabhi Ramrakhani to the MCG family. I am looking forward to meeting all of you in person at our upcoming events.

You may recall that we participated at the ISKL International Festival on Saturday, 12th November. Two members signed up and brochures were made available at the PTA lounge. A big thank you to Antoinette, Ana Liza, Corinne and Vivin for helping out!

As 2022 draws to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your support throughout the year. I hope you have discovered and gained more understanding about Malaysian culture through our various lectures, guided tours, book reviews and cuisines, while making new friends.

In January 2023, all activities will be back in full swing! The 40th Anniversary logo will be introduced on the 1st of January 2023. Additionally, the long waited 40th Anniversary Celebration will be held in March. Don't miss out!

So before you go for your year end holidays, make sure to hurry and renew your membership to keep your access to our 2023 programmes - the deadline is 31st January, 2023. Should you experience any problems, please contact Vivin Sjamsir, Membership Convenor at membership@mcgkl.org.

That's all from me! I wish you a Merry Christmas, for those who celebrate, and a Happy New Year!

With my warmest regards,

Ay Ling Liem

A NOTE ABOUT ONLINE PAYMENTS FOR MCG EVENTS:

Occasionally the MCG may require online payment for certain Events. It is essential that you include both your full name and the Event name in the Ref 1 & Ref 2 sections of your payment details so that we can see who has paid quickly. Could you also please send your payment receipt to mcgklevnts@gmail.com.

Online payments should be made to the following account.

Malaysian Culture Group
CIMB Bank Branch Lucky Garden, Bangsar,
Account no. 8000 909 207

Meet your MCG Committee



Corinne Sibert
Vice President

Steaks in Buenos Aires, hot dogs & bagels in New York, shopping on Oxford Street, fondue in Zurich are some memories I will always cherish in my career as a flight attendant with Malaysia Airlines & Swiss Air. You can tell I am a true Malaysian as my most vivid memories mainly revolve around food!

With marriage on the horizon, I handed in my uniform and said farewell to jet-setting around the world after nine years. With support and encouragement from my husband, I went back to school and finally completed my postgraduate studies. As a more grounded career, I then delved into teaching, establishing an English language center for local students.

Now empty nesters, my husband and I spend our time taking walks in the many nature trails we're so lucky to have within the bustling city of Kuala Lumpur, discovering new dining experiences, traveling and spoiling our two German Shepherds. I occupy my weekends broadening my culinary skills, being playful with ingredients and creating my own twist on old family recipes.

I enjoy being active in my communities. I loved being involved in the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) of The International School of Kuala Lumpur (ISKL) and served three years in the Executive Committee. As my eldest was about to graduate from ISKL, I realized it was time for me to also begin a new chapter.

Through the PTA I was introduced to The Malaysian Culture Group (MCG) and became a member in 2019. I have since held the position of Member at Large and currently Enak Co-Convenor and Vice-President. I love being part of this community which allows me to enrich my learning for culture and history.

Corinne Sibert