



**From the communications team.....**

Dear members,

Welcome/Selamat Datang back to Malaysia, the team hope you all had a great break with your family and friends. We also hope you will enjoy the many and various events organised by Events Planning, Explorers' Out & About, Enak! and Book Group for the MCG Members over the next year.

Dont forget to bring your MCG tag to all events, its a great way to identify all our members, especially new members.

Michelle Pease - Communications Convenor

**Coming up...**



**Lecture: Doris Van der Stratten, Mistress of a leading Japanese Colonel during the Japanese Occupation of Malaya by Andrew Barber**  
Wednesday 7th September, 2022.



**Excursion: Guided tour of the "Splendours of Malay World Textiles Exhibition"**  
Wednesday 21st September, 2022 - date to be confirmed.

**Reviews...**



**Events:**

**Wednesday, 15th June 2022**

[Ilham Gallery Exhibition](#)

Review by Allyson Johnston



**Enak!:**

**Thursday, 7th July, 2022**

[Lunch at Kumi Kafe](#)

Review by Rosemary Chin & Maria Pinho



**Book Groups: June, 2022**

**Book Group 1**

[Djinn Patrol on the Purple Line](#)

Author - Deepa Anaparra

Review by Pamela de Lange Stork

**Book Group 2**

[Between Clay and Dust](#)

Author - Musharraf Ali Farooqi

Review by Nabila Ahmad

**President's Message**



Dear valued members of MCG and friends,

Selamat Hari Merdeka, Malaysia! Happy Independence Day, Malaysia!

This 31st August marks the 65th Anniversary of Malaysia's Independence from British rule in 1957. On this special occasion, I wish all our Malaysian members the very best!

It gives me such joy to bring to your attention that in just a few months our Group will also celebrate an important milestone. On Wednesday, 29th March 2023, MCG will turn 40!

It is definitely a milestone worth celebrating and reflecting! I know we have a pool of talented, creative and skilled members within the Group. We need you to help us celebrate and commemorate this event! Do come forward and let's team up. Grateful if you could contact Vivin Sjamsir at [membership@mcgkl.org](mailto:membership@mcgkl.org) as soon as possible! The more, the merrier!

I am equally happy to extend a warm welcome back to two returning members: Trish Williams and Isabel de Laiglesia Lorenzo. It is heartwarming to having them back! Hope to see both of you in person real soon.

The month of September is full of excitement! As always, the Convenors have prepared some intriguing activities for you. Do find invitations in your inbox and claim your seats.

As a gentle reminder, please bring your membership card with you when attending any of our activities. Should you need a replacement, please contact any of the Convenors.

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](mailto: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

**A Guide to the MCG PaperLess Post Event Booking System**



As some of us have had a couple of months break from the MCG over the northern summer and we have also had quite a few new members join over the past six months, the Events Planning Team felt it was a good time to remind our members of how the Paperless Post booking system works.

1. For each general member event organised by the Events Planning Team you will receive a personal invitation via email as per the first photo on the left from PP. If you are a member of "Explorers Out & About" you will also receive a PP invitation from the Explorers' Convenor for each of their trips organised. Please click "view card". This will take you to the second page shown on the left.

2. You can reply to the invitation directly from this page by either clicking the "will attend" or "will not attend" links, which I have circled, at the top of the page.

3. If you would like more details of the event please click on the "view the card" link at the bottom of the page, also circled. This page will have general details of the event plus a map. Scroll down the newly opened page to "Note", then click "Show More" this is where you will find full details of the event, including special instructions, if necessary.

4. You may also rsvp from this page by clicking "Will Attend" or "Will not Attend" links under the title of the event.

5. It is important that you both open and rsvp to each of the PP invitations that you receive. PP is set up to send out reminders weekly to those that haven't opened or rsvped to a specific event. If you don't want to receive these constant reminders the best thing to do is just "open & rsvp" to the various PP invitations.

6. PP sends out individual personalised invites to all on the MCG address list so unfortunately you can no longer forward an invite link to friends to enable them to register on their own behalf. If you would like to bring a friend to one of our events please send us a message or comment in the comment section letting us know your guest's name/names via PP. If you have any queries about a specific event please also send us a message via PP.

7. Please ensure that you add [paperlesspost@paperlesspost.com](mailto:paperlesspost@paperlesspost.com) to your contact list to make sure you receive all MCG invitations.

Michelle Pease  
On behalf of the Events Planning Team

