

Annex A

About Christmas Wonderland 2023

Organised by Blue Sky Events, Christmas Wonderland, Singapore's biggest yuletide fair, has attracted some 5 million visitors since its debut in 2014. Marking its 10th anniversary this year and in the spirit of Christmas, Blue Sky Events donated \$30,000 each to the Children's Cancer Foundation and St Luke's ElderCare during the official launch of Christmas Wonderland.

Presented by Trip.com, this year's milestone 10th edition is held from 1 December 2023 to 1 January 2024 and features a supersized fairground covering over 27,000 square metres, spanning from Supertree Grove to The Meadow.

There is something for everyone at Christmas Wonderland, with a sensational array of over 15 light displays, 10 carnival rides, 11 carnival games, over 20 food and beverage stalls, nightly performances by local artistes, Santa Claus, and more! Returning for the first time since 2019, crowd favourite Blizzard Time is set to enthrall visitors with 'snow' in the tropics against the backdrop of the magnificent 20m tall Spalliera which features a new design inspired by Mesola Castle in Ferrara, Italy. The brand new 24m Holly Roger Christmas ship and a 65m Walk of Light tunnel are also highlights not to be missed.

Paw parents can also bring their fur kids down to Pet's Night on 5 and 12 December this year. Participants in the Best Trick and Best Dressed contests will stand a chance to win up to \$500 worth of prizes.

Tickets to Christmas Wonderland are available at christmaswonderland.sg and exclusive ticketing partner Trip.com. Tickets are priced from S\$8 for adults and S\$6 for children (3 to 12 years old).



Blue Sky Events Director Kevin Soh (Right) presenting a \$30k cheque donation to the Children's Cancer Foundation's Chairman Ho Cheng Huat (Left)



Holly Roger



Blizzard Time at the Spalliera



Gardens
by the Bay



Hendrick's Christmas Cracker Bar



Carnival Rides – Flying Dumbo



Walk of Lights presented by CDG Zig

Annex B

About Celebrate YOUth!: Electric Garden

The Celebrate YOUth: Electric Garden series of concerts is a highlight of this year's largest Christmas celebrations in Singapore at Gardens by the Bay. Set to dazzle audiences on two weekends, the concert series takes place on December 16 and December 17, as well as from December 22 to December 24, against the backdrop of the Supertrees at Silver Garden in the evening.

Headlined by prominent local artists like Benjamin Kheng, Charlie Lim, Iman Fandi, Linying and Myrne, they will join forces with youth and community groups in an dynamic blend of song and dance performances.

Each day of the festival is themed uniquely – the acts are categorised into Indie, Hip Hop, Electronic, Urban and Pop on each day – ensuring a vibrant and diverse musical experience that reflects the energetic spirit of Singapore's youth.

Admission is free. Visit www.gardensbythebay.com.sg/CelebrateYouthElectricGarden for details.

Performer Highlights:



Benjamin Kheng

Benjamin Kheng is a multi-faceted Singaporean artist, musician and actor who first made his debut as one of the founding members of The Sam Willows.

Benjamin relaunched his music career in 2019 with the single Wicked and continued with hits like Find Me and Lovers Forever. His 2020 debut EP A Sea That Never Stops achieved over three million streams and an MTV EMA nomination.

An advocate for youth and social causes, Benjamin has also been invited to speak at TEDxYouth@Singapore to share his experience in overcoming depression and anxiety disorder with synesthesia.



Charlie Lim

Charlie Lim is a singer-songwriter/producer based in Singapore, whose records TIME/SPACE and CHECK-HOOK both clinched the #1 spot on the iTunes Singapore chart at their time of release, and was named Best Pop Album of the Year by The Straits Times, and awarded Best Song of the Year by Apple Music Singapore.

Charlie has emerged as a distinctive voice in Southeast Asia's contemporary pop scene, performing at major regional festivals like Summer Sonic and Clockenflap, and collaborating with international artists including Kimbra, Khalil Fong, and BIBI.



Iman Fandi

Model, actor, athlete, singer-songwriter, and the daughter of Singapore's national football icon Fandi Ahmad, 23-year-old Iman Fandi is dominating Southeast Asia's music industry and proving that nothing is off limits for the multi-talented artist.

She has notably performed at National Day Singapore 2023. Iman performed a rendition of Bunga Sayang composed by internationally and critically acclaimed composer Dick Lee.



Linying

Named one of Spotify's 25 Most Influential Artists in Asia, Linying's first single Sticky Leaves went viral on the platform's global, US and UK charts in 2016, cementing the Singapore-born and LA-based singer-songwriter as one of Asia's most promising talents.

After signing a record deal with Canadian indie label Nettwerk Music Group, whose current roster of artists includes Matt Maltese and Vacations, Linying went on to perform at Summer Sonic in Japan and Bigsound Festival in Australia. In 2022, Linying became the face of Spotify's GLOBAL Equal Campaign and staged her first headline concert at Singapore's Esplanade Concert Hall, performing to 1,000 fans. (Photo credit: Ronan Park)



MYRNE

MYRNE, known for his diverse musical influences, has achieved significant milestones in his career. He was the first Singaporean act to perform at Ultra Miami and Tomorrowland in 2018, showcasing his unique blend of high-energy and emotional music.

His collaboration with Gentle Bones on the B4NGER PROJECT in 2017 and co-production on RL Grime's I Wanna Know in 2018, which amassed over 30 million Spotify streams, highlight his versatility. MYRNE has also made notable contributions with remixes for artists like Lauv, Jai Wolf and Martin Garrix.



Betelgeuse

A Bangladeshi rock band formed by music lovers first, migrant workers second, in the fast-paced city state of Singapore.

Despite living in separate dormitories across the country, Betelgeuse have found their way to utilise technology, playing music together across video calls and on the weekends.



Institute of Technical Education Show Choir

The Institute of Technical Education (ITE) Show Choir, established in 2019 gained recognition for their collaborations with renowned local pop artists such as Charlie Lim, Gareth Fernandez, Joanna Dong, The Sam Willows and Benjamin Kheng. Known for their dynamic performances, the choir is a regular feature in Esplanade's public shows and has represented Singapore in numerous international events.



Victoria Chorale

Victoria Chorale, established in 1988, includes singers from Victoria School and Victoria Junior College. They have been guided by conductor Mr Nelson Kwei. The choir has participated in several international festivals and has won awards, including the Musica Sacra A Capella category at the 2006 World Choir Games in China and the Grand Champion title at the 2017 Manado Cantat

International Choral Competition in several categories.

Concert Line-up:

Date	Time	Artist(s)
Day 1 16 December, Saturday	5.30pm – 5.55pm	Lauren Ong & Jupiterkid
	6.00pm - 6.25pm	Victoria Chorale (Choir from Victoria Junior College and Victoria School)
	6.30pm – 7.00pm	Yao
	7.05pm – 7.35pm	Daniel Sid
	7.40pm – 8.15pm	LewLoh
	8.20pm – 9.30pm	Charlie Lim with Victoria Chorale
Day 2 17 December, Sunday	5.30pm – 5.45pm	AK Kreates Children's Dance School
	5.55pm - 6.05pm	AK Kreates Adult Dance School
	6.10pm – 7.00pm	Zushan
	7.00pm – 7.50pm	Tengy
	7.50pm – 8.20pm	Abangsapau x Cosmic Owls
	8.25pm – 8.55pm	Fariz Jabba + AK Kreates Adults
	9.00pm - 9.30pm	ALYPH + AK Kreates Children
Day 3 22 December, Friday	5.30pm – 6.00pm	Nanyang Polytechnic Live feat DJ Zehlo
	6.00pm - 6.30pm	Singapore Management University (SMU) Stereometa feat DJ Grace Chang
	6.30pm – 7.30pm	Luqhere
	7.30pm – 8.30pm	Foxela & Guests
	8.30pm – 9.30pm	MYRNE Live
Day 4	5.30pm – 6.00pm	Danz People
	6.00pm - 6.30pm	Betelgeuse
	6.50pm – 7.50pm	Gareth Fernandez



23 December, Saturday	7.50pm – 8.50pm	Linying with Betelgeuse
	9.00pm – 9.30pm	Iman Fandi with Danz People
Day 5 24 December, Sunday	5.30pm – 6.00pm	National University of Singapore (NUS) SynQ feat DJ Raven
	6.00pm - 6.30pm	SMU Metaphysical feat DJ Lopez
	6.30pm – 8.30pm	Revelry Live
	8.40pm – 9.30pm	Benjamin Kheng with the Institute of Technical Education Show Choir

Annex C

About Poinsettia Wishes: A Nordic Adventure



This year, Gardens by the Bay's yuletide display in Flower Dome is transformed into a Viking-themed winter landscape inspired by the legendary seafaring voyagers from the 8th to 11th centuries. On display are iconic symbols and representations of the Viking age, such as the longship, the set-up of a traditional Viking feast, as well as elements of the Festival of Yule – the historical pagan winter solstice festival celebrated by the Vikings which has in many ways inspired the modern Christmas celebrations today. Also decked in Viking garb and yielding sword and shield are adorable Nisses – mythological creatures from Nordic folklore that look like a hybrid between a garden gnome and Santa Claus.

Presented in partnership with four Nordic embassies in Singapore – Royal Norwegian Embassy, Royal Danish Embassy, Embassy of Sweden, and Embassy of Finland – and supported by Bloomberg, the display is set amidst a picturesque backdrop of fishing villages evocative of the Nordic region's nautical heritage, with the distinctive red and white fishermen's cabins of Norway's Lofoten Islands, a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site. At night, the landscape takes on a magical glow when the spectacular luminaire light installations are lit up.

Poinsettia Wishes features over 20 varieties of poinsettias, including unconventional ones that are bright yellow, have a plum tint, or have bracts with a rounded shape resembling mouse ears, as well as more



than 20 real Christmas fir trees of up to 6m tall and other winter blooms like Helleborus (Christmas Rose) and Cyclamen (Persian Violet).

Complementing the floral display will be a string of festive programmes for the public to enjoy, including the ever-popular Finnish Santa meet-and-greet sessions.

Visit www.gardensbythebay.com.sg/poinsettiawishes2023 for more details.

Poinsettia Wishes – A Nordic Christmas Adventure (圣诞愿望 – 北欧圣诞探险记)

Date: Until Monday, 1 January 2024

Time: 9.00am – 9.00pm

Details: Admission charge to Flower Dome applies

Annex D

Profile of Gardens by the Bay's 100-millionth visitor



(From left) Gardens by the Bay Assistant CEO May Yeo, Gardens by the Bay CEO Felix Loh and Deputy Prime Minister Lawrence Wong with Gardens by the Bay's 100-millionth visitor, Lester Er and his family at the launch of Christmas at the Gardens.

The Er family, consisting of Lester, 45, a self-employed professional, his wife June Tan, 40, a stay-at-home mother, and their 21-month-old twins, Joshua and Faith, possess a deep connection with Gardens by the Bay. Lester, a Friends of the Gardens member since its early days, often brings his family to their favourite spot, the cooled conservatories.

Lester said, "We love spending family time in Gardens by the Bay. The blend of indoor and outdoor activities is just right for us. As parents, we believe it's crucial to expose Joshua and Faith to nature early on. The Gardens is perfect for this, especially with the changing floral displays and themes, which introduce them to different cultures. Plus, these spots make for beautiful photo opportunities with the children, creating lasting memories."

On a Saturday morning, Lester, diverging from his usual CrossFit routine, chose to spend a family day at Gardens by the Bay instead. This spontaneous decision led to a milestone: he was named the 100-millionth visitor. He received a two-year Friends of the Gardens membership, a two-night stay at the Garden Pod hotel and Gardens memorabilia.

This win, which Lester sees as having led them to the right time and place, adds a special chapter to their ongoing story with the Gardens, as they plan to celebrate Joshua and Faith's second birthday at the Garden Pod, adding even more significance to their connection with Gardens by the Bay.



Lester added, "It is my family's honour to be the 100-millionth visitor to Gardens by the Bay, a place that holds immense significance for us. Throughout the milestones of our life, the Gardens has been a constant backdrop, evolving from a romantic dating spot for me and my wife, to a cherished family destination when we had children. Its diverse offerings through the years, from captivating floral displays to engaging events, offer new experiences each time and has drawn us back on repeated visits. We look forward to being part of Gardens by the Bay's continued growth as visitors."