

Singapore's Little Treasures

An ECDA-NHB Innovation Guidance Project 2015



National
Heritage
Board



Prior to this session, how would you describe heritage and museum in **one word**?



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Overview of the session:

- Introduction
- Ice-breaker
- Classroom Experiences
- See-Think-Wonder Routine
- Museum Experiences
- Activity Time!
- Family Engagement and Community Outreach
- Professional Development

The Singapore's Little Treasures @ National Museum of Singapore

An **ECDA Innovation Grant -
Guidance project** in partnership with
the **National Heritage Board.**

The Singapore's Little Treasures @ National Museum of Singapore

Discovering Singapore's rich heritage and
history through purposeful
activities and engaging
museum experiences with a
customised learning kit.

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Mentors of these educators will also share how they have **sustained this project** within their centres.

Meet the centres...



In 2014...
WOW (We Wonder Why) Wednesdays!
2 Heritage Learning Centres
2 Museum Visits
2 Community Collaboration

In 2015...

mentor to **14** centres



Sustaining the project



**Mentees visit to our
centre**





Visit to mentee centres



Sharing Sessions





My First Skool at Blk 19 Jalan Sultan

**Kampong Glam
A Historic District**





My First Skool at Blk 19 Jalan Sultan



**Exploring different items
from the SLT kit**





My First Skool at Blk 19 Jalan Sultan



SLT Exhibition



Experiences within the classroom





Introducing 5 major Chinese Festivals



- Chinese New Year
- Lantern Festival
- Dragon Boat Festival
- Qing Ming Festival
- Mid Autumn Festival



Celebrating Hari Raya, Racial Harmony Day and Friendship Day!





Children exploring the Kompang

It feels a little bit hairy.



It smells like smelly socks.



It's a soup bowl!



ICEBREAKER

Museum Etiquettes:

Touch with your **eyes!**

Eat and drink **outside!**

No flash please!

Walk as **quiet** as a mouse!

Classroom Experiences with Sari

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See-Think-Wonder

Sari Parachute



Classroom Experiences with Sari



Sari-Draping and Sari-Folding Game

Classroom Experiences with Sari



**Non-standard
measurement**

Classroom Experiences with Sari



Visiting textile centre



Painting the Sari

Classroom Experiences with Coconut

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Child's parent helping in opening the coconut.



Observing the coconut shell, husk, core and meat.

Classroom Experiences with Coconut



Learn about
coconut various
uses



Classroom Experiences with Coconut



Tasting coconut water



Using the shell for a race- "How fast can you walk with the shell?"

Classroom Experiences with Coconut



Cooking Nasi Lemak



See-Think-Wonder

Classroom Experiences with Wooden Pillow

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It's very hard, but very smooth. It's made of wood.



I think it's a chair for babies.



It's AWESOME! I wonder why we don't use it anymore. Hmm!



Classroom Experiences with Wooden Pillow



Observing the wooden pillow and different types of pillow



Designing and making their own pillow in groups!



You need this pillow,
Eitan!

Eitan works on the
computer all day...

Our pillow is so soft and
you can sleep like baby.



Creating their own advertisement!

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Upper left: Crocodile

Upper right: Coconut

Lower left: Public Water Pipe System

Lower Right: Sari

Our Heritage Learning Centres



**Kompang art
crafts from
children.**



**Wooden Pillow
and Mobile
Satay Stall art
crafts.**



Museum Experience



Children using chalk for the first time!



Museum Experiences



Gallery

**Exploring the
items in the
suitcase**



PLAY! @ NMS



Community Outreach

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Collaboration with St. Gabriel Secondary School



Community Outreach



Participating in group music experiences...



With a Kompang Player!

Family Involvement



**SLT Exhibition Day on 3 September
2015 for Families!**

Family Involvement

Parents shared with children his collection of an old makeup box...



Grandparents were demonstrating to children how to wear a Sari.



Activity Time

To Conclude:

- **Appreciate** Singapore's heritage
- Build a **community of learners**
- Instil a Sense of **Wonder** and **Curiosity**
- Enhance **reflectiveness**
- Develop a **sense of connectedness** with others

Professional Development

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- Open-ended, innovative and creative in their teaching approaches
- “Learning together, learning with each other, learning from one another.”



Professional Development

- Use of “see-think-wonder” routine
- Rethinking (New ideas-same objects)
- Sustaining the project beyond the first year



Accolades



Childrens' Voices...

I can now tell the old people what they did last time. ~ James Chan

Now I know what my grandpa and grandma used before. ~ Ethan Lim

It's interesting and fun! ~ Isaac Neo



Parents' Voices...

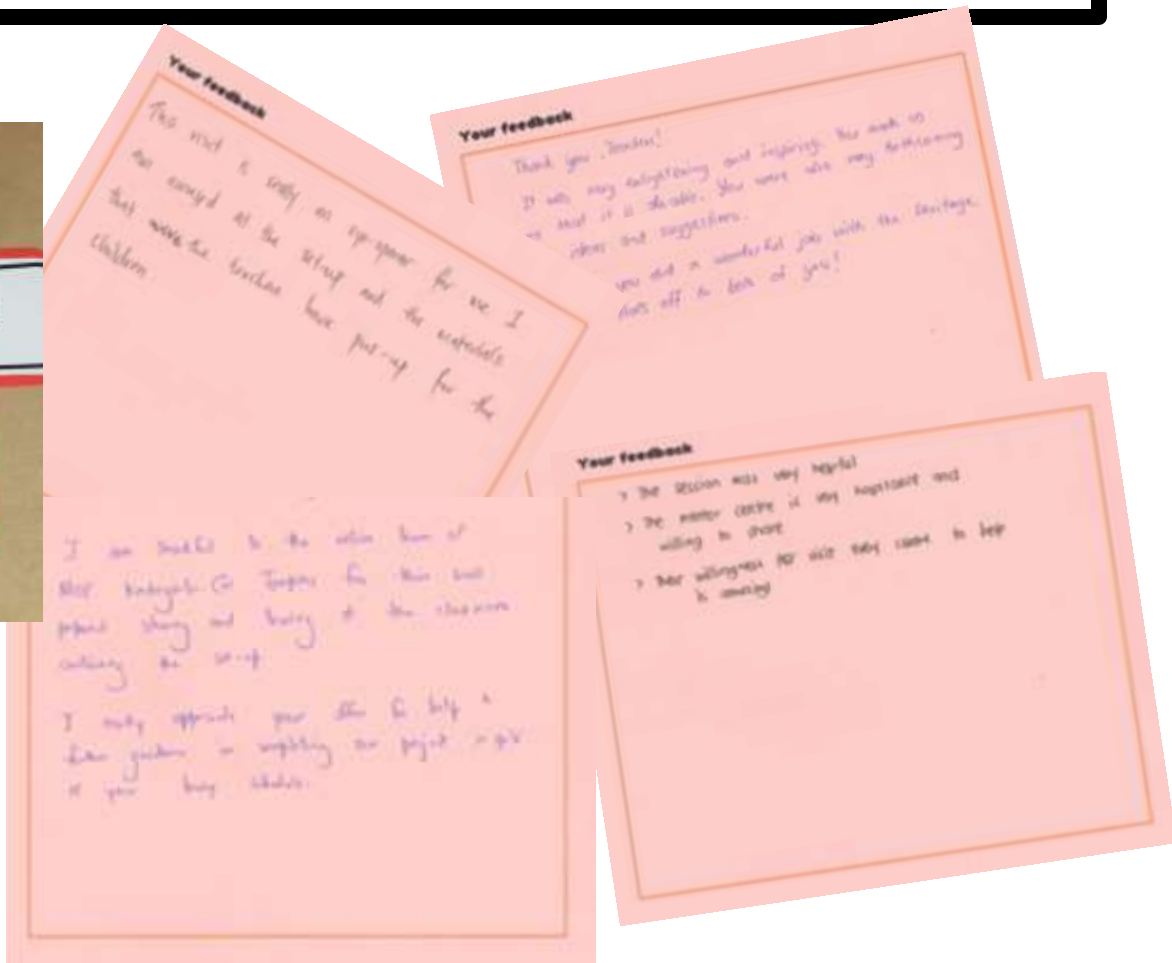
"Glad the children could experience what a **fun** place museum can be."
-Mrs Leong

"Got to see and experience things that are **rare.**"
-Mrs Chan

"The children are learning so many things that brings back so many **memories** to us as parents."
-Mrs Wong

"I'm very satisfied with the event. It has taught the little ones our roots and understand how the people of the past lived."
-Mdm Cheng

From Mentee Centres...



Let's Reflect!

What comes to your mind now when you hear the word; **“museum”**?

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THANK
You!