

Pulau Pinang

Box 08

Collection Overview

Scope and Contents

This box has a series of printed publications related to Penang's history, communities, cultural and arts education scenes, dated from the late 1980s to the 2020s. There are five series in this collection: George Town World Heritage Incorporated (GTHWI), Think City, Arts-ED, Penang City Eye 城视报, and Pulau Pinang Magazine.

Dates

Late 1980s to the 2020s

Identifier

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Creator

This collection is curated by the archive

Extent

1 box

Notes

- Item inventory is available upon request.
- The front cover of Pulau Pinang magazine are available on Search Malaysia Design Archive Database (<https://search.malaysiadesignarchive.org/collections/pulau-pinang/>)

Contents and Arrangements

1. Series 1: George Town World Heritage Incorporated (GTHWI)

GTHWI was established in 2010 by the Penang State Government as the main management body to mobilise local stakeholders, in particular the local community, to spearhead efforts in safeguarding the Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) of George Town UNESCO World Heritage Site. MDA has four publications of booklet, brochure and foldable card game by GTHWI.

1.1. Item: Cherita Lebu Chulia booklet

Quantity: 1 set

Date: 2013

Notes: This illustrated booklet is part of an oral history documentation project where the aim is to encourage community participation in constructing local history in George Town. It has presented the collective memory of the residence of Chulia Street from the 1940s to 1970s that consist of various trades, festival/cultural processions, and everyday activities.

Some keypoints in this booklet: Fazal Mohd. & Co. and Medina, kain pulikat, Chingay festival, Wah Fong photo studio, Lorong Pencuri (Thieves' Market), cart pullers, perm parlours, flying kites at Alimsah Waley, opposite of Odeon Theatre and the compound of Ng Fook Tong, shophouses, and Lorong Candu (Opium Lane) and Aik Seng Bazaar slum areas.

Additional information of this project: <https://gtwhi.com.my/our-work/oral-history/>

1.2. Item: Mai Main Game Cards

Quantity: 1 item

Date: 2016

Notes: It is a foldable card game meant to educate the public about traditional games in Penang inconjunction with the 2016 George Town Heritage Celebrations. The traditional games includes Nillaikalakki Silambam, Sepak Raga, Shaolin Wushu, Yoga, Nondi (Hopscotch), Tudung Tin, Kikkli, Kola Kolaya Mundhirikai (Handkerchief Game), Fo Shan Lion Dance, Skipping Rope, Chingay, Thayam/ Chukkin, Pandu Atta, Batu Tujuh/ Sottangal, Guli, Baling Selipar, Congkak/ Pallangguli, Silat Kapi/ Silat Gayong, Animal Chess, Pick-up Sticks, Kali Toi/ Toi, Uri Adithal, and Gasing.

Digital game cards in English, Malay, Chinese and Tamil are available at <https://gtwhi.com.my/resources/> (Refer to George Town Heritage Celebration section)

1.3. Item: Walk the Talk: Oral Tradition and Expressions brochure

Quantity: 1 item

Date: 2017

Notes: This brochure is part of the 2017 George Town Heritage Celebrations detailing the foreword, events timetable, community program, performances, and the map of the program venue.

The digital brochure is available at

<https://gtwhi.com.my/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/George-Town-Heritage-Celebrations-2017-Programme.pdf>

1.4. Item: Potential Of the Past, In the Present, For the Future booklet

Quantity: 1 item

Date: 2018

Notes: This booklet is part of the 2018 George Town Heritage Celebrations event. It is illustrated and written in details of the 25 community workshops, performances, and site excursions in George Town.

The digital booklet is available at

<https://gtwhi.com.my/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/George-Town-Heritage-Celebrations-2018.pdf>

2. Series 2: Think City

Think City is an impact organisation established in 2009, wholly-owned subsidiary of Khazanah Nasional. The organisation aims to create more sustainable and equitable places for the benefit of all, focusing on urban solutions, the environment, social communities and cultural economy.

MDA has one brochure by Think City

2.1. Item: Perjalanan Harmoni. Satu Lawatan Teroka-Sendiri brochure

Quantity: 1 item

Date: 2015

Notes: This illustrated brochure details five religious buildings along Jalan Masjid Kapitan Keling, also known as Harmony Street (Jalan Harmoni in Bahasa Melayu) as these religious spaces co-exist together along the same street, sharing similar nature elements such as water, sunlight, lunar cycle, and flowers. The buildings are Goddess of Mercy Temple (Tokong Kuan Yin), Lebuah Acheh Mosque (Masjid Melayu Lebuah Acheh), Kapitan Keling Mosque (Masjid Kapitan Keling), St. George Church (Gereja St. George), and Sri Mahamariamman Temple (Kuil Sri Maha Mariamman)

3. Series 3: Arts-ED

Arts-ED is a non-profit organisation (NPO) based in Penang, Malaysia,

<https://www.arts-ed.my/>. The organisation provides innovative community-based arts and culture education in rural and urban communities. Their programs focus on the theme of arts, culture and heritage and utilise creative educational approaches that encourage learning around real issues. MDA has 16 publications of brochures and booklets by Arts-ED.

3.1. Item: Traditional Trade and Food brochures

Quantity: 12 items

Date: 2001-2003

Notes: These brochures are part of a project under the Anak-Anak Kota program by Arts-ED, designed and researched by Penang secondary school students.

They have documented the history of traditional traders and craftsmen by illustrating drawings and diagrams with textual descriptions in George Town, Penang. This project produced 17 illustrated brochures. MDA archive has 12 out of the 17 brochures.

- Brochures on traditional food consist of Roti Benggali (Benggali Bread), Poh Piah Wrappers, Coconut Tarts, Ais Tingkap (Window Sherbet), and Yu Char Kuih (Dough Fritters)
- Brochures on endangered trades consist of Rattan Chair Weaver, Signboard Engraver, Fortune Telling, Songkok (Local Islamic Headgear), Ottu Kedai (Stuck-on Sundry Store), Kim Guan Coffee Factory, and Tomb Stone Engravers.

Additional information of this program:

- https://myartseducationarchive.com/selected-programs/anak_anak_kota/
- <https://www.arts-ed.my/printed-materials/2019/1/17/traditional-trade-and-food-brochure>

3.2. Item: George Town World Heritage Site Architectural Walkabout booklet

Quantity: 1 item

Date: 2010

Notes: This booklet illustrated and wrote the historical architecture of selected buildings along 4 streets that are connected as a grid - Cannon Street, Acheen Street, Beach Street, and Armenian Street. The booklet features Corner Shophouse (Heng Seng Kopitiam), Chinese Hokkien Temple (Hock Teik Cheng Sin), Commercial Shophouse (Edelweiss Cafe), Art-Deco Facade, Signage & Signboards, Modern Facade, Godown (Gudang Acheh), Penang Shophouse Styles, Malay Mosque Complex, Indo-Malay Style Compound Houses, Gardened Terrace Townhouses, and Chinese Clan Complex (Khoo Kongsi)

3.3. Item: My George Town booklet, English and Mandarin version

Quantity: 1 item

Date: 2011

Notes: The booklet detailed Penang as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Photograph and text- accompanied topics such as heritage shophouses, traditional craftsmanships and living heritage. There is also a map of the early historic settlements in George Town 1790s to 1820s and a timeline of Penang's George Town history from 1786 to 2010.

3.4. Item: Gempak 100 booklet

Quantity: 1 item

Date: 2022

Notes: This booklet details the program and outcome of the Gempak 100 art workshops. Gempak 100 is part of Arts in the Community service.

Additional information of this program:

<https://www.arts-ed.my/creative-arts-education/gempak-100>

4. Series 4: Penang City Eye 城视报

City Eye 城视报 was first published in May 2014 as a free independent Chinese-language magazine focusing on heritage, culture and the arts. They publish their magazines digitally on Issuu (<https://issuu.com/cityeye>). MDA has two physical copies of the magazine

4.1. Item: City Eye 城视报 Issue 15 Wajah

Quantity: 1 item

Date: November 2017

Notes: Digital magazine: https://issuu.com/cityeye/docs/city_eye_15

4.2. Item: City Eye 城视报 Issue 37 城市太Boring 我们需要Festival (English translation: The City is Boring and We Need a Festival)

Quantity: 1 item

Date: October-December 2022

Notes: Digital magazine: <https://issuu.com/cityeye/docs/37>

5. Series 5: Pulau Pinang Magazine

Pulau Pinang is a bi-monthly magazine in the late 1980s to early 1990s focusing on Penang's lifestyle and culture. Edited by Khoo Salma, the magazine is printed by Phoenix Press and published by Georgetown Printers.

The front covers of the magazine are found at Search Malaysia Design Archive Database (<https://search.malaysiadesignarchive.org/collections/pulau-pinang/>).

5.1. Item: Pulau Pinang Vol. 1 No. 2 (1989)

Quantity: 1 item

Date: 1989

Notes: The Changing Waterfront

5.2. Item: Pulau Pinang Vol. 1 No. 4 (1989)

Quantity: 1 item

Date: 1989

Notes: Penang Hill Special. Featuring hill walks, flora, interviews with resident...

5.3. Item: Pulau Pinang Vol. 1 No. 5 (1989)

Quantity: 1 item

Date: 1989

Notes: Our Streets, Our World. Featuring the competition, streetscapes, and the inspirations behind street names...

5.4. Item: Pulau Pinang Vol. 1 No. 6 (1989)

Quantity: 1 item

Date: 1989

Notes: Convent Light Street. Classrooms, courtyards and cloisters...

5.5. Item: Pulau Pinang Vol. 2 No. 1 (1990)

Quantity: 1 item

Date: 1990

Notes: Khoo Kongsi at Cannon Square. Clan association in a clandestine complex.

- 5.6. Item: Pulau Pinang Vol. 2 No. 2 (1990)**
Quantity: 1 item
Date: 1990
Notes: The Acheen Street Mosque. The monument bequeathed by an Arab from Aceh
- 5.7. Item: Pulau Pinang Vol. 2 No. 3 (1990)**
Quantity: 1 item
Date: 1990
Notes: The Residency's Centenary. Celebrating Penang's 19th century stately mansion
- 5.8. Item: Pulau Pinang Vol. 2 No. 4 (1990)**
Quantity: 1 item
Date: 1990
Notes: Special issue on Wet Markets. Fresh produce shopping, Penang-style.
- 5.9. Item: Pulau Pinang Vol. 2 No. 5 (1990)**
Quantity: 1 item
Date: 1990
Notes: Francis Light. Penang's founder brown in Dallinghoo, Suffolk 250 years ago
- 5.10. Item: Pulau Pinang Vol. 3 No. 1 (1990)**
Quantity: 1 item
Date: 1990
Notes: Title: Millionaires' Row. An era of ostentatious living in the mansions at Northam Road.
- 6. Series 6: Postcards of Pulau Pinang**
- 6.1. Item: Assorted postcards and photographs of Pulau Pinang**
Item type: Postcards and photographs inserted into album sleeves
Quantity: 1 album of estimated 80 items
Date: undated, circa 1960s - 1970s
Remarks: Blue colour photography album
- 6.2. Item: Assorted postcards and photographs of Pulau Pinang**
Item type: Postcards and photographs inserted into album sleeves
Quantity: 1 album of estimated 96 items
Date: undated, circa 1960s - 1970s
Remarks: Red colour photography album