

# Chinatown Business Association E-Newsletter

## August 2011

Dear Chinatown Stakeholders,

On 12<sup>th</sup> Aug 2011, CBA organised the 7<sup>th</sup> month auction dinner and it is our pleasure to have our Guest of Honour Dr. Lily Neo, MP for Tanjong Pagar GRC, our special guest Dr. Tony Tan, formally Deputy Prime Minister and Mr. David Ong, BBM, MP for Jurong GRC to grace this special occasion. We would like to say a big "Thank You" to all the supporters who had made this event a success!

We look forward to your continuous support to make Chinatown a vibrant and attractive tourist destination.

Mr. Wong Chi Keong  
Chairman, Chinatown Business Association



## Announcement

We would like to welcome our new members on board!

**Ordinary Member**

**Tin Tin Pte Ltd**

56 Pagoda Street S059215

**Associate Member**

**Patroids Creative Works Pte Ltd**

28 Sin Ming Lane #08-140, Midview City S573972

**Tour East (Singapore) Pte Ltd**

15 Cairnhill Road, #07-05A Cairnhill Place S229650

**The Hiden Place Pte Ltd**

40 Tras Street S078979

**The Barnett Group Pte Ltd**

15 Queen Street, #03-02 S188537

**Matchbox Hospitality Pte Ltd**

39 Ann Siang Road S069716

**New Cycle Marketing Pte Ltd**

560 Sims Avenue S387594

### Join Us!

Join us as a member of CBA!  
Visit our website for more information.

## Latest Development of CBA

### UPCOMING ACTIVITIES



#### Chinatown Mid-Autumn Festival 2011 "I am a Bazaar King!" Competition

Period from 28 August to 11 September 2011

Over 300 street stalls offering a wide range of festive goodies. Join in the first-ever youth-oriented "I am a Bazaar King!" Competition aimed at promoting youth entrepreneurship and social enterprise.

Visit [www.chinatownfestivals.sg](http://www.chinatownfestivals.sg) for more details.



#### Lantern Painting Competition

Date: 20 Aug 2011 Time: 9.30am - 12.30pm

Venue: Open field in front of Block 5 Banda Street

First ever Lantern Painting Competition! Registration is free and there are attractive prizes to be won!



#### Singapore Iconic Lantern Design Competition

Registration Date: 31 July 2011

Judging Date: 21st Aug 2011

Venue: Open field in front of Block 5 Banda Street

Design and construct an iconic Singapore lantern that symbolises Singapore's unique identity and win attractive prizes!

## PAST EVENTS

Here's the month of the hungry ghost festival, the ***Walking with the Good Brothers Tour*** has been a success trip and has received compliments from the participants.

Our guide took the participants through a mystical evening of the Hungry Ghost festivities in Chinatown. Participants able to find out the origin of Chinatown, different dialect enclaves and to visit the religious product shop to understand more about the paper offering. They were able to experience the process of paper offering at the ritual site and to attend the 7<sup>th</sup> month auction dinner and enjoying the 歌台 ('Ge tai').



### Did You Know?

The Hungry Ghost Festival is celebrated during the seventh month of the Chinese lunar calendar. During this month, the gates of hell are opened up and ghosts are free to roam the earth where they seek food and entertainment.

A Ge Tai (歌台) is a usually boisterous live stage performance held during the Ghost Festival. Everyone is welcome to watch the show as long as you don't sit at the front row, which is reserved for the "special guests".



## ONGOING ACTIVITIES



1<sup>st</sup> ever promotion in Chinatown, beginning on every Tuesday of July 2011, with half price promotions at participating outlets.

### About CBA

Chinatown Business Association (CBA) is set up by a group of passionate Chinatown stakeholders drawn from a cross-section of business leaders, grassroots leaders, Chinese clan associations, hoteliers, hawkers, retailers, and more. We are a non-profit organisation serving and promoting the business and community interest of stakeholders in Chinatown.