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National Gallery Singapore Announces Board Changes

29 August 2017 - National Gallery Singapore announces the appointment of four new Board Members and the retirement of three Board Members. Joining the Board are Professor Dr Apinan Poshyananda, Ms Shareen Khattar, Ms Jennie Chua and Ms Chang Hwee Nee. They will be replacing three retiring Board Members, Ms Jane Ittogi, Mr Benson Puah, and Ms Kathy Lai.

Professor Dr Apinan Poshyananda is the chief executive and artistic director of the first Bangkok Art Biennale 2018. Professor Dr Poshyananda is an established curator and arts administrator who has worked closely with contemporary art museums in Asia, Australia, Europe, and the US. He holds a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts (Honours) in Fine Arts from Edinburgh University, and a PhD in Art History from Cornell University. Professor Dr Poshyananda is the recipient of numerous awards, fellowships and honours including three national awards and knighthoods from Thailand, Sweden, Italy and France. He has also previously served as Director-General to the Office of Contemporary Art and Culture, and Permanent Secretary and Acting Minister to the Ministry of Culture in Thailand.

Ms Shareen Khattar is a founding member and executive director of Platform Projects Ltd, a non-profit organisation that aimed to enrich the practice, knowledge and audience for contemporary art in Singapore and the neighbouring region. Additionally, Ms Khattar also holds directorship positions at various companies including Khattar Holdings Pte Ltd and Singapore Repertory Theatre. She is a member of Tate Modern's Asia-Pacific Acquisitions Committee as well as having been a founding partner of Singapore-based F&B companies The Marmalade Group, and The Big Idea.

Ms Jennie Chua is Chairman of various organisations, including the Singapore Film Commission Advisory Board, The RICE Company Limited and Alexandra Health System. She is Singapore's Non-Resident Ambassador to the United Mexican States and the Pro-chancellor of the Nanyang Technological University. Ms Chua is a Board Director of three SGX-listed companies, including GuocoLand Ltd, GL Ltd, and Far East Orchard Ltd. Ms Chua is the recipient of multiple awards, including four Singapore National Day Awards, President's Special Recognition for Volunteerism & Philanthropy, and more.

Ms Chang Hwee Nee is the Chief Executive Officer of the National Heritage Board, and has a strong interest in strengthening the museum and heritage ecosystem. As a President's and Overseas Merit Scholar, Ms Chang graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the University of Cambridge and also holds a Master's degree in Public Administration from Harvard University.

These new appointments add to the strength and diversity of the Gallery's Board with each member having rich and extensive backgrounds in different sectors, ranging from financial services to property, healthcare and academia. The unique perspectives of each board

member have contributed to advancing the Gallery's goal in furthering the understanding and appreciation of Singapore and Southeast Asian art, guiding the Gallery towards being a leading visual arts institution. The Gallery's Board is chaired by Mr Hsieh Fu Hua, with other members including Mr Jose Isidro N (Lito) Camacho, Mr Chew Choon Seng, Mrs Rosa Daniel, Mr Kwee Liong Seen, Dr Kenson Kwok, Dr Suriani Suratman, Mr Wee Sin Tho and Ms Chong Siak Ching who is also the Gallery's Chief Executive Officer.

National Gallery Singapore would like to welcome new Board Members Professor Dr Apinan Poshyananda, Ms Shareen Khattar, Ms Jennie Chua and Ms Chang Hwee Nee. The Gallery would also like to thank the outgoing Board Members Ms Jane Ittogi, Mr Benson Puah and Ms Kathy Lai for their years of service. We are grateful for their stewardship and counsel, which has seen the Gallery through a successful opening period.

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ABOUT NATIONAL GALLERY SINGAPORE

UNVEILING MODERN SINGAPORE AND SOUTHEAST ASIAN ART

National Gallery Singapore is a visual arts institution which oversees the largest public collection of modern art in Singapore and Southeast Asia. Situated in the heart of the Civic District, the Gallery is housed in two national monuments—City Hall and former Supreme Court—that have been beautifully restored and transformed into this exciting venue.

Reflecting Singapore's unique heritage and geographical location, the Gallery features Singapore and Southeast Asian art from Singapore's National Collection in its long-term and special exhibitions. The Gallery also works with international museums to jointly present Southeast Asian art in the global context, positioning Singapore as a regional and international hub for the visual arts.

In 2016, the Gallery won the awards for "Best Attraction Experience", "Breakthrough Contribution to Tourism" and "Best Customer Service (Attractions)" at the prestigious Singapore Tourism Awards for its role in adding to the vibrancy of Singapore's tourism landscape.

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ANNEX A: National Gallery Singapore's Board Members



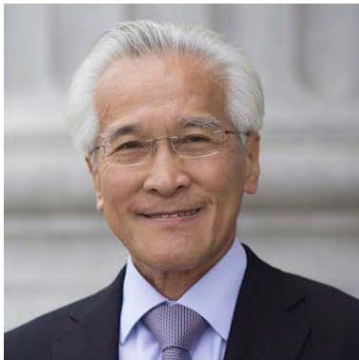
Mr Hsieh Fu Hua (Chairman)
Chairman
National Gallery Singapore



Mr Jose Isidro N (Lito) Camacho
Managing Director and Vice Chairman,
Asia Pacific
Credit Suisse AG



Ms Chang Hwee Nee
Chief Executive Officer
National Heritage Board



Mr Chew Choon Seng
Board Member, GIC Private Limited
Chairman, Singapore Exchange
(2011–2016) &
Chairman, Singapore Tourism Board
(2011–2016)



Ms Chong Siak Ching
CEO
National Gallery Singapore



Ms Jennie Chua
Board Member



Mrs Rosa Daniel
Deputy Secretary (Culture)
Ministry of Culture, Community &
Youth (MCCY) &
Chief Executive Officer
National Arts Council



Ms Shareen Khattar
Founder & Director
Platform Projects Limited



Mr Kwee Liong Seen
Executive Director
Pontiac Land Pte Ltd



Dr Kenson Kwok
Founding Director
Asian Civilisations Museum
and Peranakan Museum



Professor Dr Apinan Poshyananda
Chief Executive and Artistic Director
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