

Around Town

Strindberg's *facing death* and Jean-paul Sartre's *no exit*
 for: teatre dewan bahasa dan pustaka, alan dewan bahasa dan pustaka, Kuala Lumpur
 Sept 20-22, Sept 24-29, 8.30pm; Sept 23 & 30, 3pm, RM30 (adults), 50 per cent discount for students, senior citizens and the disabled; RM18 (for shows on Sept 25 & 26).

The system of professor tuko - black box festival
 kipac, sentul park, jalan strachan (off jalan ipoh), Kuala Lumpur
 Aug 23-25, 8.30pm; Aug 26, 3pm; Aug 28-Sept 1, 8.30pm; Sept 2, 3pm, Tickets RM35, RM20 (students, senior citizens and the disabled). For more info, call 03-4047 9000 or 03-2094 9400.

selamat datang ke malaysia art

Of Arias and Art Songs
 Wei Ling Gallery, 8, Jalan Scott, Brickfields, Kuala Lumpur

ART galleries are usually quiet places to contemplate art and how it affects our consciousness. But not for two sopranos, who'll be making sweet noises at the Wei Ling Gallery. Budding singers, Janet Lee and Cheong Whye Mun (who're currently training under renowned baritone Cha Seng Tiang), will come together in a concert featuring popular 'art' songs and operatic arias.

Whye Mun and Janet will present music that's "rich and refreshing," they say. The first half of the evening will feature 'art' songs in German, French and Italian, while the second half will contain some of the most famous operatic arias like *Porgi Amor* (from Mozart's *Le Nozze di Figaro*), *O Mio Babbino Caro* (from Puccini's *Gianni Schicchi*) and by Dvorak's *Song to the Moon* (from the opera *Rusalka*). There will also be 'art' songs and excerpts from operettas in English.

"I'm very excited about and looking forward to singing

exhibition
 valentine willie fine art, 17a, Jalan telawi 3, bangsar baru, Kuala Lumpur
 Aug 22-Sept 15, 10am-6pm. Free entry. For more info, call 03-2284 2348.

I speak kathak (dance show)
 amphi-sutra, 12, persiaran titiwasंगा 3, Kuala Lumpur
 Aug 24-25, Tickets RM30. For more info, call 03-4021 1092.

4.48 psychosis — black box festival
 kipac, sentul park, jalan strachan (off jalan ipoh), Kuala Lumpur
 Sept 6-8, 8.30pm; Sept 9, 3pm; Sept 11-15, 8.30pm, Sept 16, 3pm, Tickets RM35, RM20 (students, senior citizens and the disabled). For more info, call 03-4047 9000 or 03-2094 9400.

paradise (dancers from indonesia, japan and holland)

kipac, sentul park, jalan strachan, off jalan ipoh, Kuala Lumpur
 Sept 23-25, 8.30pm, Tickets RM30 (adults), RM20 (students, senior citizens and the disabled). For more info, call 03-4047 9000.

frogway (with vince chong, harith Iskander, elaine daly...)
 the actors studio hampang, bangsar shopping centre, jalan maroif, bukit bandaraya, Kuala Lumpur
 Aug 23-Sept 2, Tickets RM102, RM82 and RM62; matinees RM92, RM72 and RM57. For more info, call 03-2094 0400.

challenging malaysia art exhibition
 badan warisan malaysia 2, jalan stonor, Kuala Lumpur
 Sept 5-Oct 20, 10am-5.30pm. Free entry. For more info, call 03-2144 9273.

and nominated twice for Best Solo Performance at the Cameronian Arts Awards, Whye Mun juggles an in-house legal counsel career and an active performing schedule. She's able to perform a vast repertoire of musical tunes from the works of Stephen Sondheim, to musicals like *Jekyll & Hyde* and *Les Miserables*.

Janet, meanwhile, enjoys a busy performing schedule. For the main stage, she's gone from choral singing in *Turandot & Camina Burana* to supporting roles such as Papagena in *The Magic Flute* and Sylvianne in *The Merry Widow*. Having recently returned from Australia, where she'd performed in the role of YingKun at full-house performances of Dama Orchestra's *The Butterfly Lovers - The Musical*, she's since performed at corporate launches, weddings and dinners, entertaining crowds with jazz, Chinese oldies and musical numbers. Proceeds from *Of Arias and Art Songs* will be channelled to the SPCA. Aug 18, 8pm. Tickets RM60. For bookings, call 012-378 3730 (Janet) or 012-287 7368 (Whye Mun).



Janet Lee

a classical repertoire after having ventured into it only once before in 2002 in the production, *The Three Sopranos Plus One*," says Whye Mun. As for Janet, she says "there's been this, what I'd call an explosion of music awakening for me in the last two years. I'd like to dedicate my performance at this upcoming show to all my friends and teachers in the music industry."

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ghetto heaven presents hip-hopendence
 zouk ki, jalan ampang
 Aug 30, 10pm. Cover RM35 (including first drink). For more info, call 03-2171 1997.

heineken presents paul van dyk
 zouk ki, jalan ampang
 Aug 31, 10pm. Cover RM80 (guys), RM70 (ladies) including first drink. For more info, call 03-2171 1997.

shower party
 liquid club, central market annexe, jalan hang kasturi, Kuala Lumpur
 Sept 1, 10pm. Admission to be confirmed. For more info, call 03-2026 1430.

freedom at waikki
 jalan barat, petaling jaya new town, selangor
 Sun-Thurs. Ends July 31, 9pm. Free entry. For more info, call 03-7957 3040.

blue fever with dj fresh
 that cowboy cafe (that club & bistro kl), 1, jalan perak, Kuala Lumpur
 Every Friday and Saturday, Midnight-3am. RM28 (including first drink). For more info, call 03-2161 6898.

urban republic (hip-hop)
 maison, jalan yap ah shak (next to asian heritage row), off jalan sultan ismail, Kuala Lumpur
 Every Thurs, 9pm. Cover RM30 (men; including first drink), free for ladies. For more info, call 03-2698 3328.

ghetto grams at c18 club @ bangsar avenue
 jalan liku (next to nst office), off jalan riong, bangsar, Kuala Lumpur
 Every Sat, 10pm. RM25 including first drink. For more info, call 03-2282 2018.

jukebox (pop hits) with dj reggie
 maison, jalan yap ah shak (next to asian heritage