

Refreshing our arts, cultural and educational districts

Made up of Bras Basah, Bugis, Fort Canning and the Civic District, our Arts and Cultural Districts host a myriad of arts and cultural offerings, educational institutions, as well as architectural and heritage landmarks. In the coming years, these precincts will welcome new cultural and educational facilities that add to its buzz.

A district for learning

1 Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS) is consolidating its campuses to a city-campus site at the former Rochor Centre, providing improved access for students via the Bugis MRT interchange Station. Located near to the arts and cultural precinct of Bras Basah, Bugis and along the North-South Corridor, it will enjoy good synergy with nearby arts, education and cultural institutions. SUSS envisions its new campus to take in some 40,000 students.



2 The new University of the Arts Singapore is an institute of higher learning that enhances the precinct's positioning as a place where creativity and learning thrive.

Enhanced connectivity and public spaces



3 Waterloo Street will have extended sidewalks, greenery, as well as pockets of public spaces for informal gatherings and community events, while a new cycling path is planned along Bencoolen Street. Together with the completed Queen Street and Bencoolen Street enhancements, these improvements will complete efforts made over the years to connect Bras Basah, Bugis to the neighbouring Civic District and Fort Canning Park to form an expanded arts and cultural precinct.

Art and culture all around

New arts and community uses have found new homes within State properties.



4 The former Elections Department building is housing The Foundry, a social impact organisation while the former Middle Road Hospital will house a new campus by the non-profit Indian cultural organisation, Singapore Indian Fine Arts Society (SIFAS).

KAMPONG GLAM HISTORIC DISTRICT

Upcoming Refresh of Malay Heritage Centre
Upcoming Community Node at 45 Sultan Gate
Street Events at Arab Street & Kandahar Street



5 Former St. Joseph's Institution building is being studied for a new Singapore Design Museum and former Catholic High School buildings (51 Waterloo Street, 8 Queen Street and 222 Queen Street) are being studied for arts, cultural and community purposes.



6 45 Armenian Street has been earmarked for renovation, which would add to the regular activation of the street, such as the annual Armenian Street party. Nearby, Peranakan Museum, housed in the former Tao Nan School, has been refreshed to better tell the story of this colourful community in Singapore.



7 Children's Museum Singapore at Coleman Street opened in end-2022, making learning history and culture more accessible for the younger generation.



LITTLE INDIA HISTORIC DISTRICT

Project Oasis Little India

New Residential Uses at State Properties

New Public Space at Jalan Sultan

Upcoming Enhancement of Sultan Gate Open Space

State Property for Community Use (Under Study)

BRAS BASAH, BUGIS

Upcoming Cycling Path at Bencoolen Street

New Cultural and Civic Uses (Singapore Indian Fine Arts Society)

New Social and Civic Uses (The Foundry)

Upcoming Waterloo Street Enhancement Works

SINGAPORE UNIVERSITY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES (SUSS)
Upcoming New City Campus

UNIVERSITY OF THE ARTS SINGAPORE (UAS)
Singapore's First Arts University

Under Study for Lifestyle Use (Former St Anthony's Boys' School)

Under Study for Arts and Cultural Uses (Former Catholic High School)

Under Study for Adaptive Re-use (Potential Singapore Design Museum at Former St Joseph's Institution)

FORT CANNING PARK

ISTANA PARK
Upcoming Family-Friendly Amenity

Upcoming Refresh of 45 Armenian Street

Refreshed Peranakan Museum

New Children's Museum

CIVIC DISTRICT

New Singtel Waterfront Theatre

Upcoming NS Square

CHINATOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT

Refreshed Chinatown Heritage Centre
Showcase of Rich History and Culture

REJUVENATION OF SMITH STREET
Exciting New Uses

New Cycling Path at Maxwell Road

New Lifestyle Uses at 5 Kadayannallur Street

Upcoming Tanjong Pagar Road Re-purposing