An SHS Event Reviving the Magic of Chinese Opera

- Sarawak Heritage Society invites you to an informal knowledge sharing session entitled "Reviving the Magic of Chinese Opera" on Wed, 13th March 2019 at the Museum Cafe, 96 Main Bazaar (opposite the Chinese Museum). Registration at 530pm. Sharing begins 550pm. Free for SHS members. RM10 for non-members (you are expected to purchase your own drinks or snacks at the cafe). Session is in English.
- A brief overview of Chinese Opera will be given by SHS Vice President **James Yong** and SHS member **John Soo**, followed by some short videos. We may be inviting a few opera performers to join us and talk about some of their costumes and techniques. The rest of the session will be open for free form dialogue. (This is planned to be part of a regular meet-and-share series)
- Chinese Opera (whether Teochew, Hokkien, Hainanese, Cantonese, etc) is an artform and an intangible cultural heritage of Sarawak. Once so central to the life of Kuching's Chinese community, opera is declining in popularity as modern society turns to movies, TV dramas and the Internet. The number of performers are also dwindling and their average age increasing. As a unique tradition, art and entertainment, SHS believes it is important to keep this alive in some form. Or to have the process documented for posterity.
- To help us manage the logistics, please let us know by 10 Mar if you plan to attend, by emailing Sarawak Heritage Society at <u>sarawakheritagesociety@gmail.com</u> or by whatsapp or sms to +6018 988 2343.

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