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### EDITORS' NOTE

'Oops!' — is an oft-heard expression in our midst - as we stumbled and fumbled along setting up a new magazine from scratch. We had thought magazine publishing was a glamorous job of striking deals with advertisers and sponsors, getting to meet arty-farty people and having our names and works published inside a magazine.

Turns out we got more than we bargained for. There were sleepless nights rushing to meet deadlines, so much so that as the launch date loomed, we ate, breathed and dreamed about Oops! We also had to brave the blistering Singapore sun to photograph the hot bods (drool) and ran all over the campus to paste our publicity posters and stickers, though most have mysteriously disappeared. We'd like to think that the guilty parties liked our designs so much, they're adorning some bedroom walls today.

Exhaustion aside, the people we met along the way really made this journey enjoyable. And just like the Truman show, in case we don't see ya, good morning, good afternoon, good evening and good night! Oops! It's just the beginning.

CLARISSE POH JASMINE KOO

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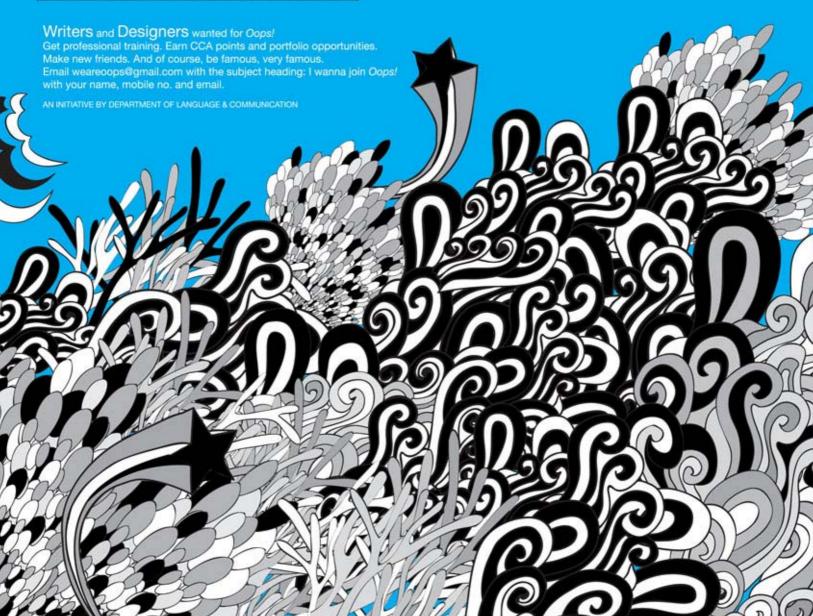


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# THE ALL NEW LIFESTYLE MAGAZINE

## FOR SP STUDENTS BY SP STUDENTS







T-SHIRT • Ordered online from threadless.com • (USD \$10) \$\$24 • I bought this t-shirt 'cos it was on sale and I like the muffin a lot. I have a thing for cute t-shirts. BLACK BAND • Black Haven at Peninsula Plaza • Half a dollar each • The black bands make my wrist look a lot less skinny and they're easy to match my clothes. CUFFS • \$9.90 from Far East Plaza • Like the wrist bands, the cuff makes my wrist look less skinny, and it makes a good accessory when I go for gigs. BELT • Bought from Lips at Far East Plaza Level 3 • \$20 • I'm a huge fan of belts, especially white ones. It's such a turn-on when girls wear white belts with denim. And it's less common to see guys wearing white belts. JEANS • \$35 from Far East Plaza • The cutting of girls' jeans is nicer and it won't look that baggy on me. Most guys' jeans make butts look bigger than they already are, so I find it better when guys wear girls' jeans. SHOES • Converse High-cut • \$52 or so • Sneakers are good because they can match clothing articles easily, and being worn-out gives it a very casual look.



### Budget in **FASHION**

Jasmine Koo

On a tight budget but want to get a change of wardrobe to impress people? Fear not, budget is in fashion right now. \$100 in hand can give you a fashionable wardrobe. Don't expect a YSL top or a pair of Armani's but with an idiot proof guide to budget shopping, you can be the next style doctor.

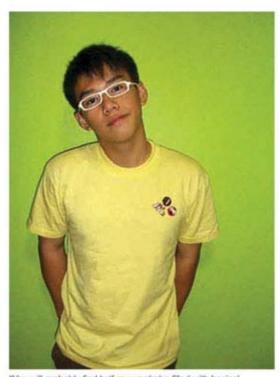
Read on for some simple budget shopping tips before spending the 100 bucks and get ready to rock your wardrobe.

### 01 GO BASIC

If you can't ace in fashion, go basic. Basic tees are the cheapest forms of stylish clothes that one can ever get. Instead of spending unnecessary money on clothes that will most probably go out of fashion in a few months, get more basics and get stylish in them by putting on badges and accessories.

### **02 GET VINTAGE**

Who says second hand shops sell old and unwanted clothes? As the saying goes, "What is unwanted to you might be a treasure to others." Why spend a few hundred bucks for a pair of Levis' jeans with a worn out look or made-to-look vintage dress? You can just pop by second hand shops and grab one at merely 10% of the price! Furthermore, these clothes are sanitized before being displayed on the racks. So hygiene freaks, fret not!



"You will probably find half my wardrobe filled with basics! Cheep and good" -Jason







### 03 GATHER 'N' CHANGE

Admire the top that your friend wore last semester and have no clue where she got it from? Go ahead and give the green light to a little wardrobe exchange session. Your friend might be dying to exchange as well. Exchanging wardrobe with your friends is one of the best and cheapest ways to keep up with fashion trends. It's a win-win situation, so go ahead and start exchanging!

### EVEN DIVAS GO ON A DIME, SO GIVE THESE IDEAS A TRY

"Why not?" - Clarisse













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### BE MERRY

It was love at first roll of dice... after a huge bite of cheesecake.

Indeed, that's what you can expect from a session in Settlers Café Holland Village. As the second franchise outlet since the first in North Canal Road, Settlers Café (HV) has continued to provide a unique "settlers" experience for all ages.

The café is cosy and substantially furnished, despite its limited interior. The wide dark wood tables are ideal for potentially messy games such as Jenga, and will provide money.

Before it's your turn to move that token, you'll find yourself stealing bites from an array of mouth-watering snacks, desserts and even western dishes!

With over 150 games to choose from, the only problem you'll face is deciding on which game to start with.

#### NOT SURE HOW TO PLAY A GAME?

That will be the least of your worries, thanks to the pleasantly cheerful, enthusiastic and well-trained staff who will attend to you and guide you on a step-by-step basis. Their board game knowledge is so impressive that we found ourselves playing a range of new games like experts.

"We even hire people with no experience in board games, but after some time, they fall in love with board gaming. We want the youngsters from Holland Village to enjoy the passion for gaming that we have," said Mabel, the outlet manager.

The primary mission of Settlers Café? For customers to leave with a smile.

With an unbeatable combination of games, gourmet food and good company, all within the cosy, well-spaced classroom-sized café, who wouldn't walk out with a smile?

Well, we sure did, with full stomachs too.

So, Uno Stacko and fries, anyone?

### OTHER IMPORTANT THINGS YOU MIGHT WANT TO KNOW...

- >>> Reservations are recommended. This can be done via a phone call (Tel. 6464 0178). No extra charges.>>> There is a board games meet-up every 3rd Sunday of
- >>> There is a board games meet-up every 3rd Sunday of the month for anyone interested (log on to www.meetup.com and register as a member)

### GAMES WE RECOMMEND YOU TO TRY!

- >>> Blokus >>> Apples 2 Apples >>> Charoodles
- >>> Ticket to ride >>> Rummikub
- >>> YOU must be an IDIOT! (Yes, that's a real game)





#### WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Settlers Café was named after the game Settlers Catan, a multiplayer board game which was first published in Germany. It was the founders of Settlers Café's favourite board game.











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Loving our desserts, we could not resist getting an Oreo cheesecake (above) and good ol' Chocolate brownie with ice-cream (right).

A bit disappointed with the portion and quality of the cakes though. For \$4.80, it did not quite meet our standards.

Although the brownie's warm and moist, the ice-cream too failed to bring out its flavour.



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### How to get there? **\*\*** \*\* \*\* \*\*

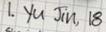
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02 ALIGHT AT THE BUS STOP RIGHT AFTER BUONA VISTA MRT STATION 03 WALK TOWARDS WALA WALA BAR AND CROSS THE CARPARK BEHIND IT 04 THE BRIGHT YELLOW SIGN IS HARD TO MISS – YOU'RE THERE!

Journey time: approx. 20 mins



A stroll from FC 1 to FC 6 is definitely worth the sweat, with pretty girls being spotted at every turn! However, we do realize that diligence is not the trademark of youths today; therefore, we have decided to line up an emsemble of pretty babes for a visual feast.



She is the first pretty face spotted and instantly, she agreed to have her photo taken. when asked for her favourrite hangout in school, without skipping a beat, she said FC 6.



### 2. Jeanne Koh, 19

She was sitting at FC 6 when my team mate and I spotted her from afar. Her elegance is overwhelming and pretty is the only word that comes to wind.

4. WOO YIN YIN, 19 if you think beauty and brains don't link, look at yin yin and think again. She has a pretty Face, sweet smile, talent for design and is a born leader. consider choosing her as no lack of challengers though.

### 3. Tan Le Ying 18

Pretty sentle and sweet would be an apt description for her. Even before her appearance here, she is already surrounded by surp. Girl, you rock!



### 5. Khairul Nisa, 19

Character, looks, figure and brains. you name it, she has it all trut guys, beware. She's a boyfriend abuser. Favourite hideout in school would most probably be all 6 FCs. She's got a huge social network. Too busy for you? Hame it on her pretty



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Ever realized how our cultural hotspots get visited by tourists more than us in our entire lifetime? After the oft-visited Orchard Road, youths are particularly dumbstruck as to what other areas of Singapore to explore. Well, fret no more! Welcome to the other side of Singapore...

With the increasing popularity of Bollywood and all things Indian, there is now one more big reason to troop through the meandering roads of Little India, home to some of the most colourful textile and spiciest set meals. Don't know where to start? Worry not, for here are the top most things to see and do in Little India.

### 01 TEKKA MARKET

Visit the stalwart of Little India, the ancient Tekka Market, also known as Zhujiao Centre. A decrepit yet lively home to various food stalls including a wet market on the first level and a deluge of stores selling ethnic wear on the second level.

### **02 RIOT OF COLOURS**

Be prepared for a riot of colours when you go shopping for Indian ethnic wear. Choose from the array of multicoloured sarees and ethnic suits and be prepared to fork out a hefty sum to look like the Bollywood diva that you've been secretly dreaming of.

#### 03 ACCESSORIZE!!

No Bollywood diva becomes one without her accessories. With the ever famous use of "bindi" and "henna" made popular by Madonna and Gwen Stefani, you can be sure you'll stay in trend and yet pack a punch in your style.

### REASONS TO TROOP THROUGH LITTLE INDIA

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### **04 MUSTAFA CENTRE**

A tour of little India is never complete without a visit to the popular giant mega mall. Housing an eye-popping diverse range of items from electrical goods to sports wear, Mustafa Centre has reinvented itself to be THE shopping landmark of Singapore, especially since you can shop round the clock, 365 days a year! You can be sure to find something for yourself whether you're 8 or 80!

### 05 FOOD GALORE

From spicy South Indian vegetarian set meals to exotic North Indian dishes, you can be sure that your tantalized tastebuds will be satisfied. Not keen on spicy meals? Then savour the uniquely saccharine Indian sweets that are bound to please those with a sweet tooth. For starters, you can dine in at Banana Leaf Apollo Restaurant (54/56/58, Race Course Road) to get the best of South and North Indian Dishes. For budget conscious foodies, Komala Villas (76/78, Serangoon Road) would be an ideal place to dine.

### **06 CHILLOUT BARS**

Many are unaware, but Little India has become Singapore's backyard of cosy bars and pubs. This feisty place has given way to cheap backpacker hostels, little cafes and pubs that cater to the needs of tight budgeted travellers. Prickly Bush (6, Dunlop Street) is one pub proving to be quite popular for its charm and camaraderie. Not too far away, tucked in the corner is Laissez Faire Café (25, Madras Street) selling warm cookies and strong, strong coffee. And all this within walking distance!



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### FUN VIDEOS TO WATCH

Tengku Azrul



Don't get the wrong idea, we're not promoting the beer. We're just promoting the video promoting the beer. To every little thing in life, cheers to this video.



















Ever wondered how it's like for someone to REALLY appreciate his life? Here's an example. A friend of mine introduced this video to me and a few seconds into it, I was already laughing, seeing how pathetically funny the video is.

### WHERE?

Search for 'Cheers Beer' at Youtube. (To duffers who have been living in their own world, that's www.youtube.com)

### WHAT'S IN IT?

Okay, to set the record straight, this video isn't for those who can't stand jokes, and definitely not for those who think lame things are... lame. Anyway, the 1.5 minute-long video shows three scenes, all of which are about simple things, stuff which we wouldn't really notice in life. The funny thing about it though, is the way the people in the video show their appreciation towards such things. It makes you feel as if everything in life is precious (and it is). And if that isn't what you like, watch the video just for the acting, 'cos you won't be able to stop laughing once you see the actors' expressions.









Prabhunath S/O Ramrup

# THE WORLD OF WARCRAFT THE BURNING CRUSADE

Game Publisher: Blizzard Entertainment Game Developer: Blizzard Unless you've been living under a rock, you'd have heard news about the World of Warcraft (WoW). For the past few months, all the news around the gaming world (apart from the outrageous price tag of the PS3, of course) has been only about WoW's new expansion, The Burning Crusade. In case you really have been living under a rock (shame on you), the game is an MMORPG, an online role-playing game in which a large number of players interact with one another in a virtual world. Similar games include Guild Wars and Maple Story.



But forget Guild Wars and even Maple Story. As great as those games are, they are nothing compared to the goliath of a game that is the WOW. Yup, what else would explain the reason for the eight million players (and still counting) of this game worldwide, and with a high monthly subscription fee at that?

### WHAT'S WHAT?

The Burning Crusade takes place on Outlands, the destroyed orc homeland once known as Draenor. It is now ruled by Illidan, a 'horny' blindfolded elf who was also an instrumental character in the Warcraft III game.

The game's main task is to go through the Dark Portal found in The Blasted Lands, level to the max, and then try your best to defeat Illidan, who is sitting in the Black Temple, waiting patiently to hand your bum back to you, bruised and battered, of course.



### THINGS THAT GLITTER:

- Increased new level cap of 70
- Distinct new starting areas
- Seven new zones (the Outlands) to explore
- Two new playable races (Draenei for the Alliance faction, Blood Elves for Horde)
- Tons of new items
- Flying mounts

### THINGS THAT DON'T:

- Overcrowding
- While the graphics can be considered fine, it is no Gears of War. Could have been better
- No flying mounts in Azeroth (yup, you can only fly them elsewhere)
- Some quests feel repetitive
- Old contents will become virtually obsolete





Siti Mardiah Ahmadjirony

YAMAKASI 2001. Total running time. 90 min//Ratings: • • • • •





### SYNOPSIS

An original work by Luc Besson and directed by Ariel Zeitoun and Julien Seri. Yamakasi tells the story of seven nimble men whose daily routine is jumping from roof to roof and practising their unique form of acrobat without precaution. Their disregard for danger gains them fast popularity with the youth of Paris, but made them a sore subject amongst the police.

Their hobby is put into question when one of their fans, a young boy with a weak heart, tries out one of their stunts and gets severely injured. Desperately in need of a heart transplant, his family cannot afford the operation. The Yamakasi, feeling responsible, starts stealing from the rich to help finance the operation, much like a modern day Robin Hood. Having only 24 hours, they have to escape close calls with the police to reach their goal.

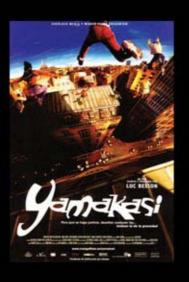
### WHAT WE THINK

No CG. No wire work. The jaw-dropping stunts are real through and through. You will be amazed by movements of the Yamakasi from the first second till the last. The movie makes up for its weak plot by the hilarious and greatly impressive series of actions that would have brought Jackie Chan to tears for its ingeniousness.

Another remarkable thing is, what seems to be a trend with French movies, the constant ridicule of the police. Makes one wonder, are they really that bad? Thumbing their noses at the authorities is another of Yamakasi's favourite pastimes and it is really amusing to watch.

Look out for the scene where they break into a house and have a run-in with two aggressive dogs. The action sequences that follow are simply artistic! Our personal favourite.

This film is 'less talk more action' so for those who dislike reading subtitles and love watching handsome hunks jumping here and there, this is just the thing for you.



### MOLDER



### PRISONER OF ONE SELF



**CRESTFALLEN** 

### Artists: DJ Lunatic & Miss Hysteria vs. DJ Wicke Album: Obsession

What better way than to enjoy DJs show off their skills against one another and at the same time create awesome sounds for their fans? Simply inspiring! Molder is one song that is worth sacrificing your next pair of jeans for.

Ratings: 0 0 0 0 (

Artist: DJ Hidden Album: DJ Hidden

Drum 'n' bass have never felt this good once DJ Hidden starts hitting the turntables and goes for a wild spin. A must-listen track, Prisoner of One Self has intoxicating beats that reverberates throughout. A must-have!

Ratings: 00000





A Vacant Affair Album: Self-Titled

The band's energetic sounds and infectious beats hit you in Crestfallen, making you want to do a head-banging feat. The song will leave you wanting to jump and shout out loud with vocalist, Matt and play on your imaginary sticks with drummer,







Artist: Surreal Album: Fingerpointing

Bedtime Story beats against all odds to break away from common genres. Surreal is bursting with killer melodies and potential hits, like their debut song, "Fingerpointing". This is Indie-rock, Surreal style.

Ratings: O O O O





Sonic Edge Band Album: The Song That I Sing

The Song That I Sing is rated as one of Integrity Asia's best selling albums, Sonic Edge Band's new album features one of the most heartfelt songs that will touch all new fans and believers. The Song That I Sing is a heart-warming masterpiece that will reach out to today's jaded generation and for some of us - simply music for a relaxing evening at home.

Ratings: O O O O O





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### Shuttle Run

Pretend it's your primary school sports' day. Balance the beanie bag on your head. Best yet, pretend you're auditioning for Singapore's Next Top Model.

### Sit up

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