

press release



RWS and Dream Academy® do the “bo bo cha cha” with *Great World Cabaret* Tickets on sale from 2 December 2014.

- ✓ A first ever collaboration between RWS and Singapore’s leading theatrical company, Dream Academy®, *Great World Cabaret* features top local talents in performing arts.
- ✓ Inviting audiences to “Bo Bo Cha Cha”, *Great World Cabaret* makes its global premiere on 19 February 2015, the first day of the Chinese New Year, at the Resorts World Theatre.
- ✓ This entertaining live theatrical variety show is headlined by a different stand-up local comedian every week, complemented by an illusionist, dancing girls, singers, acrobats and more.

SINGAPORE, 1 December 2014 – Let’s Bo Bo Cha Cha! In a first ever collaboration, Resorts World Sentosa (RWS) and one of Singapore’s most recognisable theatrical companies, Dream Academy®, will stage *Great World Cabaret* (综艺大世界) at Resorts World Theatre during the 2015 Chinese New Year period. Created by prolific local comedienne, Ms Selena Tan (陈美廩) who founded Dream Academy® and best known for popular productions including *The Dim Sum Dollies*®, *Broadway Beng*® and *The Hossan Leong Show*, this entertaining live theatrical variety show showcases the talents of the who’s who in the local arts and entertainment scene.

Great World Cabaret is set to take audiences back to the exuberant “Bo Bo Cha Cha” days of Singapore’s yesteryears, where dancing girls, comedians and acrobats would light up the stage with glitz and glee. The show features three home-grown legends who graced the stages of nightclubs and amusement parks across Singapore in its early years of independence - Rose Chan (played by Ms Seong Hui Xuan [常惠旋]), remembered for her bold performances; popular Malay folk singer, Kartina Dahari (played by Ms Aisyah Aziz); and Singapore's reigning a-go-go and yodeling queen, Sakura Teng (played by Ms Joanna Dong [董姿彦]). Audiences can look forward to a blast from the past as they sing and tap along to familiar classics like *Rose Rose I Love You*, *Shake Shake Shake* and *Bunga Melur*.

Great World Cabaret also features a star-studded line-up of Singapore’s top stand-up comedians including Mr Mark Lee (李国煌), Mr Hossan Leong (梁荣耀), Ms Judee Tan (陈映奇) and Mr Sebastian Tan (陈瑞彪), who will perform a week each to bring the house down with their hilarious stand-up act during the show run. In addition, there is an all new illusion act performed by Mr J C Sum (岑政聰), an award-winning international illusionist, that will keep audiences at the edge of their seats.

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“As one of the first local original productions to be staged during Singapore’s Golden Jubilee, this is a must-watch production. Local arts and entertainment fans will get to experience the heady buzz of nostalgia set in the 1960’s and 1970’s of Singapore. **Great World Cabaret** is a fabulous and delightfully funny show with catchy tunes, vibrant costumes and colourful characters that will be sure to make audiences dance and groove along during the festive season,” said Ms Andrea Teo (张韵爱), Vice President of Entertainment, RWS (圣淘沙名胜世界娱乐统筹部副总裁).

Executive Producer and Creator of **Great World Cabaret**, Ms Selena Tan (陈美廩), who also penned and starred in the wildly popular *The Dim Sum Dollies*®, said: “It’s a first adventure for Dream Academy® to be working with RWS and putting on a show at the Resorts World Theatre under the wonderfully deft hands of our talented Director, George Chan. It is sure to be a spectacular variety show with a lot of great laughs. Laughter is the Dream Academy® way and it will find its way to the Resorts World Theatre come Chinese New Year 2015 in Great World Cabaret! So, I would encourage everyone by saying “Let’s Bo Bo Cha Cha!””

The credentials of **Great World Cabaret**’s creative team read like the who’s who of Singapore’s local arts and entertainment scene. Apart from Ms Selena Tan who created the show concept, the show is directed by local theatre veteran Mr George Chan (田伟鸿) as well as written jointly by eight-time nominee for the Life! Theatre awards, Mr Alfian Sa’at and one of Singapore’s highly followed bloggers, Mr Benjamin “Miyagi” Lee (李士耀). The music direction was entrusted to Mr Bang Wenfu (冯文甫), one of Singapore’s most sought-after composers, arrangers and musical directors. Mr Andy Benjamin Cai (蔡正维) is the show’s choreographer.

“Since our opening in 2010, RWS has been an active player contributing to the growth of the local arts and entertainment scene in Singapore especially with our diverse entertainment offerings. Our first ever collaboration with Dream Academy® underscores our commitment to support local and original productions. We hope that **Great World Cabaret** will set a milestone for more potential collaborations to come that present our local talents to a wider regional audience,” added Ms Andrea Teo.

Great World Cabaret is rated 'Advisory for 13 and above'.

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Great World Cabaret reimagines the “Bo Bo Cha Cha” days of Singapore’s yesteryears where sequin-clad dancing girls, hilarious comedians, death-defying acrobats and snazzy magicians ruled the nightlife with their glitzy and entertaining performances.

WHAT: *Great World Cabaret*
WHEN: Premieres 19 February 2015 till 17 March 2015
 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 8pm
 Saturday and Sunday: 3pm (Matinee) and 8pm
WHERE: Resorts World Theatre, Resorts World Sentosa
TICKETS: Tickets are priced at S\$48, S\$68, S\$88, S\$108, S\$128. Prices exclude SISTIC booking fees and handling charges. Tickets can be purchased via: (65) 6348 5555 | www.sistic.com.sg | Resorts World Theatre | www.rwsentosa.com/gwc

HSBC is the official bank partner for **Great World Cabaret**. From 2 to 15 December 2014, all HSBC credit or debit cardholders will enjoy priority ticket sales. During this period, cardholders will also enjoy 20% off ticket prices and complimentary seat upgrade for purchase of Category 2 or 3 tickets, subject to availability. Thereafter, HSBC Premier MasterCard and Visa Infinite cardholders will continue to enjoy 20% off ticket prices till 17 March 2015.

In celebration of Singapore’s 50th birthday, a pioneer generation special package is offered to every pioneer citizen who will receive 50% off their own ticket purchase when they flash their Pioneer Generation card.

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ABOUT RESORTS WORLD SENTOSA

Resorts World Sentosa (RWS), Asia’s ultimate destination resort, is located on Singapore’s resort island of Sentosa. Spanning 49 hectares, the resort opened in January 2010 and welcomed over 45 million visitors in its first three years of opening. RWS is home to two mega attractions - the region’s first-and-only Universal

Studios theme park and the Marine Life Park, which comprises the S.E.A. Aquarium (one of the world's largest aquariums) and Adventure Cove Waterpark. Other attractions include a Maritime Experiential Museum, an award-winning destination spa, a casino, six unique hotels, the Resorts World Convention Centre, celebrity chef restaurants, and specialty retail outlets. The resort also offers world-class entertainment, from original resident productions to concerts and public shows such as the Crane Dance and the Lake of Dreams. RWS has been named "Best Integrated Resort" since 2011 for four consecutive years at the TTG Travel Awards which recognises the best of Asia-Pacific's travel industry.

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ENTERTAINMENT AT RESORTS WORLD SENTOSA

With a kaleidoscope of entertainment offerings appealing to audiences of all ages 24/7, there is never a dull moment at Asia's premier destination resort. From public attractions such as the Crane Dance and the Lake of Dreams to a host of world-class concerts, performances and events, RWS continues to up the entertainment ante. Halloween Horror Nights at Universal Studios Singapore, a first-of-its kind event in Singapore, has become a marquee event and is now the region's biggest fright fest during every October. Creating original resident shows at the Resorts World Theatre since its opening in 2010, the Entertainment team has helped develop the local arts industry as well as created new jobs and skill sets.

ABOUT DREAM ACADEMY®

In 2000, producer, director, writer and performer, Selena Tan, started Dream Academy®, one of Singapore's 1st private limited Arts and Entertainment companies. Dream Academy® focuses on producing and staging quality arts and entertainment shows, particularly for the theatre.

Its current stable of shows includes the Dim Sum Dollies®, Kumar, Broadway Beng®, Happy Ever Laughter® and Crazy Christmas™. Dream Academy® has also put on several internationally acclaimed theatre productions previously, including Little Shop of Horrors, Into the Woods and Company.

In 2013, Dream Academy® embarked on an "off-the-beaten theatre-path" adventure with The Henderson Project. By transforming the Dream studio at Henderson into a theatre black box, The Henderson Project aims to be Singapore's answer to "off-Broadway" and "off-West-End" productions.

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