



Esplanade – Theatres on the Bay

"The Esplanade is built in the heart of an Asian City evolving into a cultural nerve centre for the region. The design responds to this urban setting."

– Koh Seow Chuan, DP Architects Pte Ltd

With its distinctive roof, the Esplanade – Theatres on The Bay has emerged as a strong contemporary icon, responding to the two site characteristics, as a prime waterfront site and as a significant civic building in the Civic District. The Esplanade is a unique 360-degree building with no backend, providing a sweeping view of the bay and fully engaging the waterfront and its surrounding developments.

The Esplanade is exceptionally successful in providing public spaces which encourage active participation, and in forging a seamless integration of the outside and inside. The two shells with their spirit of lightness, change and new experience, glow with light in the evening inviting all to participate in a truly unique cultural bright spot.

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Client: Ministry of Information, Communications and the Arts

End User: The Esplanade Company Limited

Theatre Consultants:

Theatre Project Consultants, UK

Landscape Design:

ACLA Pte Ltd

Acoustic Consultant:

Artec Consultants Inc., New York

Cladding Consultant:

Atelier One, London

Pipe Organ Builder:

Johannes Klais Orgelbau GmbH & Co KG

Environment Engineering:

Atelier Ten Consulting Engineers, London

Civil & Structural, Mechanical & Electrical Engineers and Quantity Surveyors:

Public Works Department
(now CPG Consultants Pte Ltd)

Lighting Consultant:

Bo Steiber Lighting Design Consultancy

Main Contractor:

Penta Ocean Construction Pte Ltd

Project Management:

Public Works Department
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Specialist Cladding Contractor:

Mero Systeme GmbH & Co.

Interior Design:

Gan Eng Oon, Lydia Fong (Concert Hall),
Kwan Moh Yin (Lyric Theatre)
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