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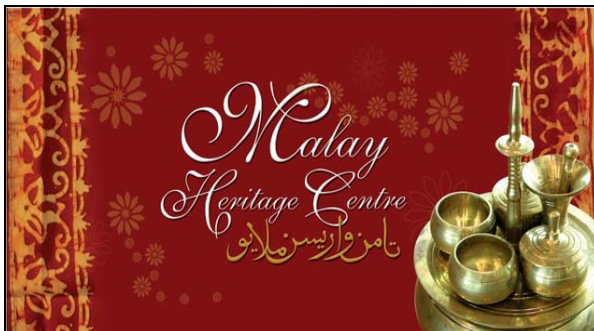
MALAY HERITAGE CENTRE

Istana Kampong Gelam

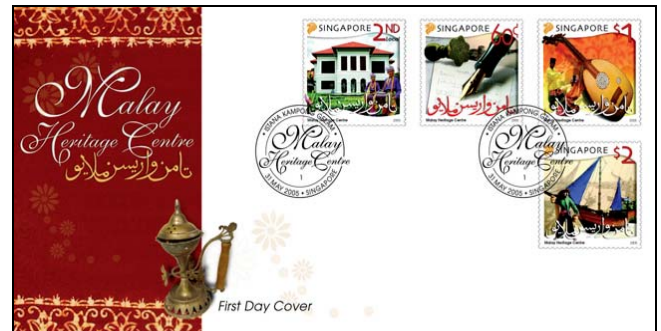
Date of Issue: 31 May 2005



Set of 4 stamps (\$3.83)



Presentation Pack – Front Cover (\$5.45)



Pre-cancelled First Day Cover (\$4.55)

Singapore, 30 May 2005 - To commemorate the official opening of The Malay Heritage Centre, Istana Kampong Gelam, Singapore Post (SingPost) will issue a set of four stamps, depicting elements of the rich Malay heritage on 31 May 2005.

Despite Singapore's rapid modernization and economic advancement, the Singapore Government places great importance on the preservation and appreciation of the country's cultural roots and ethnic identities, and the role heritage plays in creating a sense of belonging to the nation. The Malay Heritage Foundation was formed on 28 July 1999 and the Istana Kampong Gelam and the surrounding grounds including the Gedung Kuning were restored and developed as the Malay Heritage Centre.

The Malay Heritage Centre, Istana Kampong Gelam, will be officially opened on 4 June 2005 and a set of four stamps with value of 2nd Local, 60 cents \$1 and \$2 will be released on 31 May 2005. Featured in the 60 cents and \$2 stamps are the original music score of the Singapore's National Anthem by Malay composer, Zubir Said, and the replica of the Bugis Prahau, a shipping vessel used by Malay fishermen in the past. The grace and beauty of Malay performing arts are captured in the \$1 stamp.

Information and Enquiries

For more information on these new stamps, please call the Singapore Philatelic Bureau at telephone numbers 1800 741 4111 (toll-free within Singapore) or 68456756 during office hours or visit www.singpost.com. These stamps can also be ordered online at <http://shop.vpost.com.sg>.

FACTSHEET

Items on Sale

The following items will be on sale at all Post Offices and the Singapore Philatelic Bureau (Singapore Post Centre Branch), unless otherwise stated:

Items	Price	Date Available
Complete set of stamps	\$3.91	31 May 2005 onwards
First Day Cover (Without stamps)	\$0.25	Available from now until 31 May 2005
Pre-cancelled First Day Cover (Affixed with stamps)	\$4.55	31 May 2005 only
Presentation Pack (With Complete set of stamps)	\$5.45	31 May 2005 onwards

Prices inclusive of 5% GST for purchases within Singapore.

Technical details of this stamp issue are as follow:

Date of issue	:	31 May 2005
Denominations	:	2 nd Local, 60¢, \$1 and \$2
Stamp Size	:	35mm x 35mm
Perforation	:	13
Paper	:	Unwatermarked
Printing Process	:	Offset Lithography
Printer	:	Secura Singapore Pte Ltd
Sheet Content	:	50 stamps per sheet
Designed by	:	Elsie Koh L C

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