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**Sustainable Singapore Gallery re-opens with  
free guided tours and weekend Carnival**

The Sustainable Singapore Gallery at the Marina Barrage was re-opened today by Mr Masagos Zulkifli, Minister for the Environment and Water Resources. The revamped Gallery presents an overview of Singapore's commitment to sustainable development. While there are exhibits that chart the milestones which brought about the high quality living environment Singaporeans enjoy today, the focus in many parts of the Gallery is on the challenges ahead, and the steps we need to take together as a nation to keep Singapore smart and green.

2 The Gallery is organised into six zones, tracing Singapore's response to climate change, our water management strategies, zero waste initiatives, and efforts to keep Singapore clean, green and sustainable, including investments in renewable energy. The interactive panels and multi-sensory exhibits will appeal to the young and old. There are also interesting artefacts such as a porcelain figurine presented to Dutch economist Dr Albert Winsemius in 1993 after he famously lost a wager, with Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew and his team, that the Singapore River could not sustain life. (More details on the zones at Annex.)

3 Minister Masagos Zulkifli said, "We have designed the Gallery to be an interactive, multi-sensory showcase of Singapore's environmental transformation, and our sustainability story. As you journey through the different zones in the Gallery, I hope you will feel a sense of pride in how far we have come, and develop a deeper awareness of the work we still have to accomplish in our sustainability journey."

4 To celebrate the re-opening of the Gallery, the Ministry of the Environment and Water Resources has organised a weekend of activities for the public to enjoy. Billed as the Climate Action Carnival, the line-up includes free guided tours of the Gallery, upcycling workshops, an eco-fair, a concert with local bands, talks, screenings, sail rides in the Marina Channel, a 30-metre obstacle course for all ages, picnics and a dance battle. Visitors will also have the opportunity to chat with passionate volunteers from NGOs, schools, and corporate sectors championing climate change in a Partners Showcase. Members of public attending the Carnival are encouraged to bring their own water bottles and food containers to minimise the need for disposable single-use plastics. Full details at [climateaction.sg/carnival](http://climateaction.sg/carnival).

Quick facts on the Gallery

Floor space: 1,618 sqm

Admission: Free

Opening hours: 9am to 6pm daily, from 4 June 2018 (Closed on Tuesdays)

Free guided tours available for booking through [PUB website](#).

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## Annex

### Zones of the Sustainable Singapore Gallery

Zone Name	Synopsis	Key Features
<a href="#">Foyer</a>	Introduction to Singapore’s sustainability journey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A short <b>video</b> on Singapore’s efforts to balance rapid growth with sustainable development.</li> <li>• The <b>Screening Room</b>, which features videos related to sustainability. The playlist will be refreshed every quarter.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">River</a>	This central white ribbon weaves through the whole Gallery, and showcases various environmental milestones through the years.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Display of a range of <b>historical artefacts</b>, including a replica of the gold medal given to the 10 men in charge of cleaning up the Singapore River, and a porcelain figurine presented to Dutch economist Dr Albert Winsemius by former Minister Howe Yoon Chong after Dr Winsemius famously lost a bet that the Singapore River could not sustain life.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">Zone A: Red Dot</a>	Our earth’s climate is changing and Singapore is vulnerable. This zone shows Singapore’s efforts to tackle climate change and what climate change means for our future.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Singapore’s <b>Climate Action Plan</b>, which can be explored using touch screens.</li> <li>• A <b>panel on Climate Change and Singapore</b>, which includes projections of Singapore’s climate in future (up to 2100).</li> <li>• An <b>interactive game</b> to help users understand how they can reduce their carbon footprint.</li> <li>• A <b>‘Climate Chamber’</b>, which poses a central question to visitors: will you take action for the climate?</li> </ul>
<a href="#">Zone B: From The First Drop</a>	Water is life and our future depends on it. This zone tells the Singapore water story and how we took action to make our water supply diverse and resilient.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A replica of a night soil bucket placed next to a <b>life-size replica</b> of the cross section of the tunnel of the <b>Deep Tunnel Sewerage System</b> illustrate how our sewage management has evolved over the years.</li> <li>• An <b>illustration of the “Source-Pathway-Receptor”</b> approach which looks at catchment-wide solutions to achieve higher flood protection for Singapore in the face of</li> </ul>

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		<p>challenges such as climate change and urbanisation.</p>
<p><a href="#">Zone C: A First World Oasis</a></p>	<p>Our City in a Garden needs everyone's help to keep it clean, green and blue. This zone shows the various green and blue spaces in Singapore and encourages everyone to play their part to make Singapore a liveable and endearing home.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An <b>interactive multi-touch map</b> which shows Singapore's extensive green and blue networks/waterways.</li> <li>• An <b>introduction to our City in a Garden</b> and the importance of preserving Singapore's greenery to reduce the Urban Heat island effect. This area includes <b>two rotoscope features providing fun facts</b> on 5 native species of trees and flowers.</li> <li>• The <b>Eco Champions showcase</b> highlights our environmental, water and nature stewards who help make Singapore a clean, green and sustainable city.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#">Zone D: City of the Future</a></p>	<p>Facing land, water and energy constraints, Singapore must optimise resources and limit pollution. This zone shows how we are powering our way to remain a vibrant, smart and sustainable city.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An <b>Augmented Reality exhibit</b> to showcase some of the green and sustainable buildings we have in Singapore.</li> <li>• Pedal at an <b>interactive cycling station</b> to experience features of a car-lite Singapore.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#">Zone E: The Journey to Zero</a></p>	<p>Singapore is working towards becoming a Zero Waste Nation by reducing waste, and reusing and recycling materials to give them a second lease of life. This zone provides information about our waste management strategies and Singapore's Journey to Zero.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The Recycling Twist</b> is a sculpture made from waste materials contributed by pupils of <b>River Valley Primary School</b>. Displayed among the materials are fun facts on recyclables and good recycling habits.</li> <li>• A <b>floor display</b> illustrates how much <b>Semakau Landfill</b> has been filled up. It reminds visitors that we will run out of space in Semakau by 2035 and calls on everyone to reduce, reuse and recycle to extend Semakau Landfill's lifespan.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#">Zone F: Future Tense</a></p>	<p>A sustainable Singapore can only be realised if we all work together as one. This final zone in the</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A trick-eye mural provides visitors an <b>Instagrammable photo</b> opportunity</li> </ul>

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	Gallery invites visitors to think about how they can make a difference by being a part of the Sustainable Singapore Movement.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="754 333 1372 439">• Visitors are invited to <b>type their pledge for a sustainable Singapore</b> and have it projected on a wall</li></ul>