

THEATREWORKS

presents

GOH LAY KUAN & KUO PAO KUN

Conceived and directed by
Ong Keng Sen

She is a dancer, a teacher, a fighter.
He is a writer, a theatre doyen, a visionary.
This is about their struggle, their love and, all that is vital in their lives.

From 14 Sep 2012
National Museum of Singapore

In conjunction with:

A Life of Practice - Kuo Pao Kun Exhibition by the National Museum of Singapore;
The Kuo Pao Kun International Conference

TheatreWorks presents

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Starring

Karen Tan as Goh Lay Kuan

Lim Kay Tong as Kuo Pao Kun

Lighting design by **Andy Lim** (stage "LIVE")

Excavated from over 40 hours of oral history interviews from the National Archives juxtaposed with seminal texts and plays of Kuo, "Goh Lay Kuan & Kuo Pao Kun" presents an intimate portrait of this pioneering arts couple of Singapore.



"...a complex and poignant work that reveals the aspirations and struggles of Singapore's most famous arts couple."

- The Business Times

Internationally acclaimed theatre director Ong Keng Sen, known for his distinct aesthetic in making documentary performance through collaboration with his performers and extensive research, helms the full creation of this distilled work. This follows the 'sold-out' work-in-progress in April 2010 as part of the TheatreWorks' 25th anniversary season.

If Singapore is a city of amnesia and forgetting, "Goh Lay Kuan & Kuo Pao Kun" asks an urgent question: how do we document the work and lives of Singapore artists whose practice evades archiving and preservation?

Performed in English

"Goh Lay Kuan & Kuo Pao Kun. In their own words. There really is no excuse for not catching this..."

- blogs.todayonline.com/forartssake



Performance Details:

14 & 15 Sep 2012, Fri & Sat, 8pm **SOLD OUT**

Gallery Theatre

National Museum of Singapore

25 & 26 Oct 2012, Thu & Fri, 8pm **SOLD OUT**

22 & 23 Nov 2012, Thu & Fri, 8pm

10 & 11 Jan 2013, Thu & Fri, 8pm

21 & 22 Feb 2013, Thu & Fri, 8pm

Exhibition Gallery 2

National Museum of Singapore

Tickets - \$25

(excluding \$3 SISTIC charge)

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or call 6348 5555.

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Present ticket on another day at

NMS Visitor Services Counter for

a one-time admission to

'A LIFE OF PRACTICE - KUO PAO KUN'

from 14 Sep 2012 to 24 Feb 2013

during daily gallery hours.

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