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Community Chest: Uniting Hearts 2023 Charity TV Show celebrates 40 years of rallying the community to champion every potential

SINGAPORE, 24 SEPTEMBER 2023 – Held in celebration of Community Chest’s 40th anniversary, the live broadcast of Community Chest: Uniting Hearts 2023 Charity TV Show rallied the community to raise funds to support over 200 critical social service programmes that empower children with special needs and youth-at-risk, adults with disabilities, persons with mental health conditions and families and seniors in need of support.

2 Guest-of-Honour President Mr Tharman Shanmugaratnam, Ms Jane Ittogi, and Minister of State for Social and Family Development and Home Affairs Ms Sun Xueling were among over 1,200 audience at The Theatre at Mediacorp, which also comprised representatives from corporate partners and social service users.

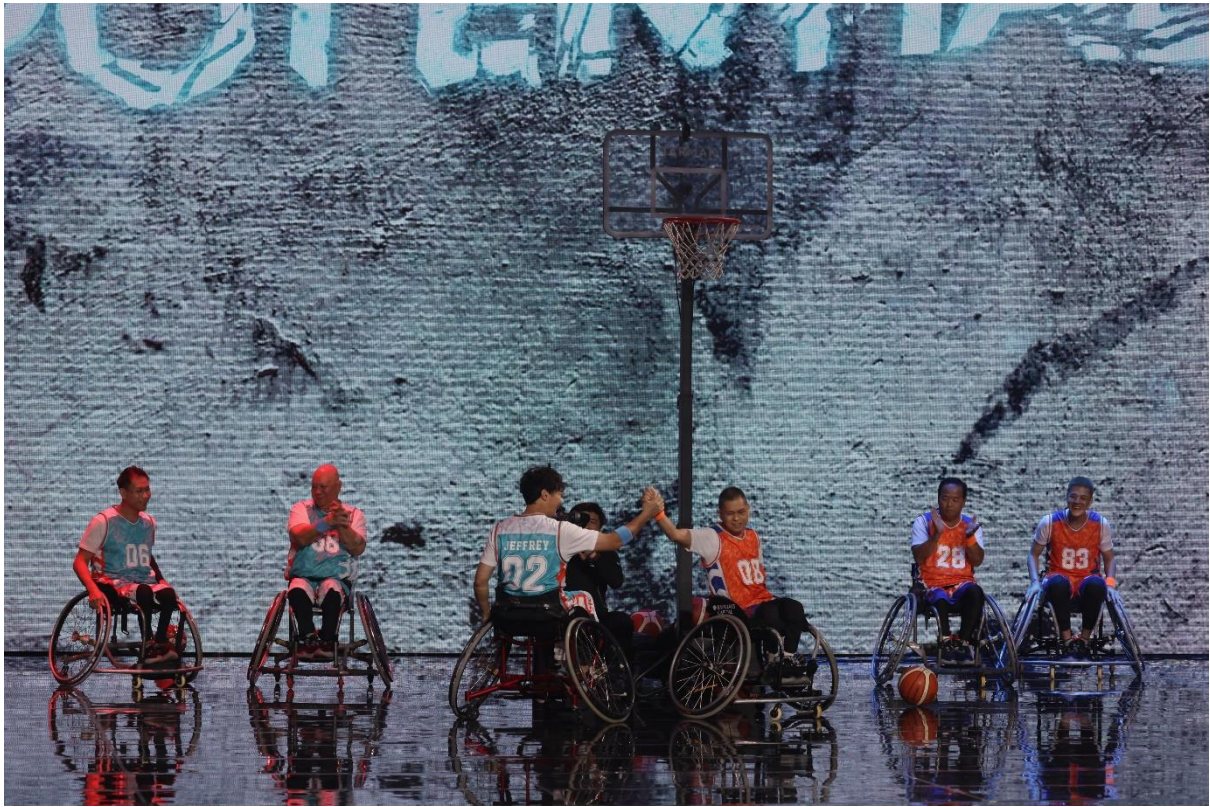


Caption: GOH President Tharman Shanmugaratnam, Ms Jane Ittogi, MOS Sun Xueling, with representatives from Community Chest, National Council of Social Service, Community Chest partners, performers and service users at the Community Chest: Uniting Hearts 2023 Charity TV Show

3 The support from corporates and the community is key to ensure the social service sector is equipped with adequate resources to meet both current and future needs. The Show highlighted the incredible potential of those who are differently-abled. Through multiple collaborative performances between local artistes and service users, the show demonstrated Community Chest's unwavering commitment to empowering those in need to overcome their challenges and achieve their aspirations. Artist with autism Chalmers Wong (王永维) and actor Richie Koh (许瑞奇) performed sand art, while players from the Wheelchair Basketball Association showcased their basketball skills in a special choreography alongside local artistes Jeffrey Xu (徐鸣杰) and Chase Tan (陈锦宏). Artiste with visual impairment Claire Teo (张丽玲) and artiste Bonnie Loo (罗美仪) also performed Jolin Tsai's hit song "I" together.



Caption: Sand art performance at the Community Chest: Uniting Hearts 2023 Charity TV Show by actor Richie Koh and artist with autism Chalmers Wong, accompanied by song performance from Community Chest-funded Chaoyang School choir and local artistes Hong Ling, Desmond Ng, Kiki Lim, Cheryl Chou, Benjamin Tan and Daryl-Ann



Caption: Choreographed basketball performance by players from Wheelchair Basketball Association and artistes Jeffrey Xu and Chase Tan at the Community Chest: Uniting Hearts 2023 Charity TV Show



Caption: Song and dance performance by artiste with visual impairment Claire Teo, and local artistes Bonnie Loo, He Ying Ying, Herman Keh, Tay Ying and Jensen Wang at the Community Chest: Uniting Hearts 2023 Charity TV Show

4 The Show also brought together a group of local comedians from different races to creatively interpret a mashup of three nursery rhymes that share a common melody. Rahimah Rahim, Chua En Lai (蔡恩來), and Udaya Soundari added their unique style and voice to the performance, showcasing the adage that "comedy is a serious business". The result was an entertaining act that thoroughly amused the audience, while also highlighting the importance of diversity and inclusivity in our community.



Caption: Song performance by Chua Enlai, Rahimah Rahim & Udaya Soundari at the Community Chest: Uniting Hearts 2023 Charity TV Show

5 Besides performances by international artistes, The Wynners (温拿乐队) and Ricky Hsiao (萧煌奇), and home-grown celebrities like Kit Chan (陈洁仪), the Show also featured an exhilarating piano battle between accomplished pianist Dr Azariah Tan (陈平静博士) and piano prodigy Mikkel Myer Lee (李研恺).



Caption: Song performance by The Wynners at the Community Chest: Uniting Hearts 2023 Charity TV Show



Caption: Song performance by singer-songwriter Ricky Hsiao at the Community Chest: Uniting Hearts 2023 Charity TV Show



Caption: Song performance by local music icon Kit Chan at the Community Chest: Uniting Hearts 2023 Charity TV Show



Caption: Piano performance by accomplished pianist Dr Azariah Tan and piano prodigy Mikkel Myer Lee at the Community Chest: Uniting Hearts 2023 Charity TV Show

6 In line with Community Chest's 40th Anniversary, the Show also highlighted the impact of corporates and the community's contributions to support those in need. Take 18-year-old Neaw Wen Qi, for example. She was diagnosed with cerebral palsy at a young age and has been attending Rainbow Centre, a special education school supported by Community Chest, since she was two. With the Centre's support, Wen Qi was able to progressively develop her social, emotional, and communication skills. Upon graduation, Wen Qi's aspiration is to join a centre where she can participate in various activities with her friends, and further explore innovative methods of communication and pursue her hobbies with the aid of technological devices.

7 The Show ended on a high note with local artistes Annette Lee (李安) and Desmond Tan (陈洞江) performing the song "The Sun", and the reveal of the final artwork of the Community Project. Under the guidance of local artiste Edmund Chen (陈之财), volunteers from Institutes of Higher Learning and corporates and service users worked on a vibrant display of flowers and animals, aptly named "Trees of Hope", as a symbolic representation of the collaboration within the community to support those in need. The repeat telecast of the Show will be on Channel 8, from 3.30 to 6.30pm, on 1 October 2023.



Caption: Unveil of the final artwork of the Community Project, a collaboration led by local artiste Edmund Chen with volunteers from Institutes of Higher Learning, corporates and service users, together with song performance by Annette Lee and Desmond Tan at the Community Chest: Uniting

Annex A – Translations of Key Terms
Annex B – Performing items of the Show

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About Community Chest

As the hallmark of care and share, Community Chest has been uniting the community to mobilise resources and raise funds to serve those in need since 1983. Community Chest supports more than 100 social service agencies to meet underserved and critical social needs. As our fundraising and operating costs are covered mainly by Tote Board, 100% of your contributions goes towards empowering the lives of:

- Adults with disabilities
- Children with special needs and youth-at-risk
- Families in need of assistance
- Persons with mental health conditions
- Seniors in need of support

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ANNEX A - Translations of Key Terms

Community Chest: Uniting Hearts 2023	公益献爱心40周年
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ANNEX B – Performing items of the Show

项目 Item	参与者 Participants	简介 Synopsis
你的世界 Your World	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 许瑞奇 Richie Koh ▪ 洪凌 Hong Ling ▪ 黄振隆 Desmond Ng ▪ 林昭婷 Kiki Lim ▪ 周智慧 Cheryl Chou ▪ 陈政序 Benjamin Tan ▪ 莉玉 Daryl-Ann ▪ 王永维 Chalmers Wong ▪ 朝阳学校合唱团 Chaoyang School Choir 	<p>沙画是一种精致的艺术，简单却令人叹为观止。自闭症青年王永维将与本地艺人许瑞奇一起通过沙画创造奇迹，描述一则温馨感人的人生故事。而来自朝阳学校的合唱团也将与本地艺人洪凌、黄振隆、林昭婷、周智慧、陈政序和莉玉一起演唱歌曲【你的世界】，共同为这项表演高歌一曲。</p> <p>Sand art fascinates because it is a delicate art that is simple yet stunning. Together with artiste Richie Koh, special needs artist Chalmers Wong creates a fleeting moment of magic using sand art. Students from Chaoyang School Choir will also enhance this item with a song performance <i>Your World</i> alongside a group of local artistes.</p>
陈洁仪 Kit Chan	陈洁仪 Kit Chan	<p>新加坡国宝级歌手陈洁仪将为这场慈善节目献上两首经典曲目——《喜欢你》和《天冷就回来》。她温暖的声线必定让观众陶醉在其中。</p> <p>Singapore's national music icon, Kit Chan, will be performing two of her classic songs <i>Liking You</i> and <i>If There Are Seasons</i> for this charity programme. Her emotive vocals will surely mesmerize the audience.</p>
心中的巨人 The Giant Within	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 徐鸣杰 Jeffrey Xu ▪ 陈锦宏 Chase Tan ▪ Dexter Goh ▪ 李家宝 Michael Lee ▪ 蔡崇辉 Chua Chong Hoi ▪ 陈国铨 Allan Tan 	<p>新加坡轮椅篮球协会的球员们火力全开，呈献一场精彩又极具娱乐性的花式篮球表演。本地艺人徐鸣杰和陈锦宏也会在这场表演中秀出他们所掌握的技巧，在舞台上充分展现他们的爆发力。</p> <p>Players from Wheelchair Basketball Association turn their basketball skills</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 胡淑薇 Oh Hsu Wei 	<p>into performance art in a specially choreographed item that features various basketballs drills and tricks. Local artistes Jeffrey Xu and Chase Tan put their practice to the test as they attempt to catch up with the explosiveness of the players during the performance.</p>
<p>我的故事 My Story</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 罗美仪 Bonnie Loo ▪ 何盈莹 He Ying Ying ▪ 郭坤耀 Herman Keh ▪ 郑颖 Tay Ying ▪ 王嘉瑞 Jensen Wang ▪ 张丽玲 Claire Teo 	<p>视障艺术家张丽玲将以动人的歌声和简洁的动作，与艺人罗美仪一同演绎蔡依林的歌曲《我》。其他新传媒艺人也会以一系列富有表现力的舞蹈动作参与这项名为《我的故事》的表演。</p> <p>Visually impaired performing artist Claire Teo flaunts her powerful vocals and simple moves in the performance of Jolin Tsai's hit <i>I</i>, together with artiste Bonnie Loo. Local artistes will also accompany their storytelling performance of <i>My Story</i> with a series of expressive dance moves.</p>
<p>萧煌奇 Ricky Hsiao</p>	<p>萧煌奇 Ricky Hsiao</p>	<p>实力派唱将萧煌奇将大展歌喉，深情演唱两首他的招牌歌曲——《末班车》和《阿嬷的话》。</p> <p>Singer-songwriter Ricky Hsiao enchants the audience with two of his signature songs <i>Last Train</i> and <i>What Grandma Said</i>.</p>
<p>飞乐极限 对垒战 The Piano Battle</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 李研恺 Mikkel Myer Lee ▪ 陈平静博士 Dr. Azariah Tan 	<p>听障钢琴家陈平静博士与钢琴神童李研恺将进行一场令人听出耳油的钢琴大战。两位钢琴爱好者会通过一系列钢琴曲切磋琴艺。</p> <p>Aspiring pianist Dr. Azariah Tan takes on piano prodigy Mikkel Myer Lee in a fun and comedic piano battle where they challenge each other with a series of musical pieces.</p>
<p>一唱一和 献公益 Sing the Same Tune for Charity</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Rahimah Rahim ▪ 蔡恩來 Chua En Lai ▪ Udaya Soundari 	<p>一个旋律，可以唱出不同的儿童歌曲。本地艺人 Rahimah Rahim、蔡恩來和 Udaya Soundari 将展现他们独特的风格和嗓音，另类演绎童谣串烧，为观众带来一场幽默搞笑的表演。</p> <p>The lyrics of different nursery rhymes can sometimes share a common melody. Local comedians Chua En Lai,</p>

		Rahimah Rahim and Udaya Soundari interpret a mashup of these nursery rhymes in their unique styles and voices, putting on an entertaining act that will amuse the audience.
温拿乐队 The Wynners	温拿乐队 The Wynners	<p>香港知名乐团温拿乐队将为观众带来一波回忆杀，演唱三首歌曲《Sha La La La La》、《陪着她》和《千载不变》，他们的合体肯定会点燃全场气氛！</p> <p>Hong Kong's renowned band, The Wynners, will bring a wave of memories to the audience with three of their songs, <i>Sha La La La La</i>, <i>Stay with Her</i> and <i>Thousand Years Unchanged</i>. Their appearance will definitely bring the house down!</p>
希望之树 • 爱无限 Trees of Hope Colours of Love	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 陈之财 Edmund Chen ▪ 陈洞江 Desmond Tan ▪ 李安 Annette Lee ▪ Lucas Ong from Chaoyang School ▪ Lam Cheep Thong from AWWA Senior Community Home ▪ Neaw Wen Qi from Rainbow Centre ▪ Angeline Tong from Club HEAL ▪ Emilia Binte Mohamad from SPD ▪ Thilaga from SINDA ▪ Representatives from UOB ▪ Representatives from Millennium Hotels and Resorts ▪ Representatives from National University of Singapore 	<p>压轴表演项目将由 Annette 李安和陈洞江拉开序幕，两人将一起演唱歌曲《太阳》。在他们演唱的同时，四棵完工的大树将慢慢出现在舞台上。由合作伙伴代表组成的表演者也会参与这项表演，带入纸制的鲜花和动物，将舞台填满。而随着舞台慢慢填满，大屏幕的画面则变成蓝天白云和小鸟，展现这个世界的美丽……</p> <p>The finale item will start with Annette Lee and Desmond Tan singing the song <i>The Sun</i>. While they are singing, the four completed trees will slowly reveal. More performers comprising representatives of the supporting partners join in, bringing in flowers and animals to fill up the stage. The LED screen on the stage then turns into blue skies with clouds and birds, showing how beautiful the world is...</p>