

NAS exhibition to mark 80th anniversary of Fall of Singapore features historical artefacts from Singaporean collectors

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INFORMATION ON THE PRIVATE COLLECTORS

- Mr Dave Kan, in his 40s, is a private collector with a keen interest in collecting and researching police uniform insignias. His collecting journey began in the late 1990s when he became intrigued with the evolution of epaulets designs spanning more than a century. He was later drawn to the fine craftsmanship, colonial mix cultured background and the thoughts behind every insignia. He had exhibited his insignias collections in a number of government and private exhibitions.
- Ms Cheng Lai Yee, 60, is a professional museum consultant. Her work and her hobby are very closely entwined. She began collecting Japanese military artefacts after her involvement in the Reflections at Bukit Chandu project with the National Archives in the early 2000s. She also collects objects connected to Singapore's social history – her way of reclaiming Singapore's heritage.
- Mr Sng Siak Keng is a Singaporean in his late 50s currently working as a trainer in the government sector. His interest in collecting and researching medals started in the late 1990s when he realised that there were only a handful of Singaporeans who shared the same interest. He has since co-organised a few medal exhibitions to share his collections with fellow Singaporeans. His most recent exhibition, "Fragments of Voices", was held from 2017 to 2020 at 57 Medal House, Yishun Industrial Park A.