

## Annex A: NLB30 initiatives

Item	When	Description
Book Bugs Showcase	June to Aug 2025	The NLB30 Book Bugs Showcase will feature the first-ever collective display of all 425 Book Bugs cards ever released, along with two special NLB30 collectible cards – one from NLB and another from the Asian Civilisations Museum – interactive showcase panels, mini games and more. The Showcase will rove to selected libraries and to the Asian Civilisations Museum.
NLB30 BiblioAsia Special Issue	June 2025	The Jul-Sept 2025 BiblioAsia will be a special issue tracing back NLB's 30 years and the long history of libraries and archives in Singapore.
READ30	July 2025	<p>READ30 is a special edition of the biennial Read! Fest, NLB's signature event that promotes reading.</p> <p>READ30 will comprise</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) a marquee experience at the National Library Building Plaza,</li> <li>2) a Presidential Pop-up library, and</li> <li>3) nine pop-up Nodes from the National Library Building to Orchard Road</li> </ol> <p><u>Marquee Experience</u> Visitors who seek for an escape within the city from their everyday lives will get to connect with books through the stories or the act of reading through their five senses for further self-reflection.</p> <p><u>Presidential Pop-up Library</u> The Presidential Pop-up Library will feature a curated collection of physical and eBooks about past and present Presidents.</p> <p><u>Pop-up Nodes</u> Nine Nodes will pop up from the National Library Building to Orchard Road for two weeks from July 2025 and will showcase book recommendations by 30 notable Singaporean personalities.</p>

Open Book: The NLB30 Keynotes	July to Oct 2025	A series of in-person and virtual talks featuring visionary thought leaders from diverse fields. These public talks aim to provoke conversation, unlock insights on the future of reading and learning and explore how libraries and archives can innovate to be spaces of discovery. The talks will be held either in-person or online.
Launch of Encyclopaedia of Singapore Tamils (EST)	Aug 2025	The EST is an online resource co-developed by NLB, National Arts Council, and the Centre for Singapore Tamil Culture, and will be included in our collection when it launches in Aug 2025.
Launch of Prominent Malays of Singapore (PMoS)	Aug 2025	NLB is collaborating with NUS Department of Malay Studies to support the discoverability of information on prominent Malays who have contributed to Singapore in the last 60 years, via an online bilingual database, PMoS. This is supported by partners such as the Malay Language Council, Malay Heritage Foundation Board and Berita Harian.
#Heart&Soul Showcase	2H 2025	<p>Held at library@orchard, the showcase will be an immersive and multi-sensorial experience that seeks to inspire visitors with a sense of optimism about their future and the future of Singapore.</p> <p>Launched as part of the Smart Nation 2.0 vision and jointly organised with MDDI, this flagship SG60 event presents a timely opportunity for all Singaporeans to reflect on our progress as a nation and be inspired about the opportunities ahead.</p>
Love Our Libraries and Archives	Sept 2025	<p>LOLA will celebrate NLB30 and SG60 at libraries and archives in three parts.</p> <p>1) Digital Love Letters The public can express their well wishes for the libraries, archives, and Singapore through love letters which can be submitted and viewed on digital screens at the libraries and archives.</p> <p>2) LOLA Birthday Celebration Patrons, volunteers, and staff will be invited to gather and celebrate with a simultaneous cake-cutting across the NLB network.</p> <p>3) LOLA Programmes Month-long library programmes and activities that reaffirm a love for reading and learning.</p>

700 Years: A History of Singapore (3rd Edition)	Dec 2025	A new and expanded third edition of this book will be launched this year. It will include additional content and images meant to nurture a stronger appreciation of the collective Singapore experience and an understanding of Singapore's heritage and identity.
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