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NTU celebrates alumni achievements and fosters closer alumni ties

Some 1,000 Nanyang Technological University (NTU) alumni will gather for the NTU Alumni Night 2006 on 17 December 2006. The homecoming event, held at the NTU campus, will celebrate and honour the University’s outstanding alumni and friends, and forge vital and dynamic connections among NTU’s alumni communities from across boundaries and generations.

The Guest of Honour, Mr Gan Kim Yong, Minister of State for Education and Manpower, and NTU President Dr Su Guaning will present the Nanyang Alumni Awards to outstanding alumni who have distinguished themselves in their chosen fields on a national, regional or international basis, and those who have been outstanding in their contributions to the University through alumni networks.

This year’s homecoming event will also see the launch of the Alumni eForum, an inaugural Internet discussion forum for alumni to network, communicate and stay connected with each other, and with the University.

NTU’s vast global alumni network will also be showcased in an exhibition, entitled “The Nanyang Connection”. The exhibition, which celebrates alumni affinity, will feature the wide array of activities that NTU alumni participate in, and the volunteering initiatives and networking opportunities that enable them to stay connected in meaningful ways.

The recipients of the four categories of awards are as follows:

Nanyang Distinguished Alumni Award
Law Hieng Ding (Class of 1961)
Lien Siaou Sze (Class of 1971)
Ong Beng Soon (Class of 1970, 1971)
Nanyang Alumni Achievement Award
Chang Long Jong (Class of 1985)
Hew Choy Leong (Class of 1964)
Inderjit Singh (Class of 1985)
Lee Wung Yew (Class of 1992)

Nanyang Outstanding Young Alumni Award
Merry Riana (Class of 2002)
Michelle Alicia Saram (Class of 1997)
Peh Wei Siew, Joanne (Class of 2006)
Teo Ser Luck (Class of 1992)
Woo Yen Yen, Joyceln (Class of 1995)
Yap Hui Lian, Annie (Class of 1993)
Zaqy Bin Mohamad (Class of 1999, 2003)
Zhang Zhongliang (Class of 2005)

Nanyang Alumni Service Award
Gui Kim Young (Class of 1973)
Ho Leng Woon (Class of 1971, 1972)
Mohamed Abdul Akbar (Class of 1986)
Ng King Kang (Class of 1998)
Pow Kim Meng (Class of 1976)
Sarjit Singh S/O Sarmukh Singh (Class of 1991)
Tan Kim Leng (Class of 2004)
Teng Chiang Fong (Class of 1972)
Ting Chee Kheong (Class of 1995)

More details of the award categories are provided in the fact sheet.

Besides the exhibition, guests will also be treated to a cultural performance by current NTU students, as part of the University’s effort to connect its students to the extensive alumni network.

Each Nanyang Alumni Awards recipient will receive a specially commissioned Trophy and a Certificate of Commendation. The design of the trophy incorporates the elements of nature and embodies an admiration for and appreciation of ancient Chinese art, particularly, bronze artifacts and classic jade. Although shaped like a jade tablet (圭), it is also reminiscent of the obelisk, a monumental sculptural form commonly used in the West to commemorate important events.

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About Nanyang Technological University

Nanyang Technological University (NTU) is a research-intensive university with globally acknowledged strengths in science and engineering. The university is located in a garden campus in western Singapore, tracing its roots back to 1955.
NTU has 4 colleges comprising 12 schools. The College of Engineering comprises six schools focused on technology and innovation. Its research output ranks among the top four in the world. The College of Science pushes the boundaries of Singapore’s life sciences initiatives. The Nanyang Business School (the College of Business) offers one of the world’s top 100 MBA programmes. The College of Humanities, Arts & Social Sciences boasts Singapore’s first professional art school offering degree courses in art, design and interactive digital media, the Humanities and Social Science School, and the Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information, a top journalism and media school in Asia.

The 13th school, S Rajaratnam School of International Studies, will be inaugurated in 2007. An important component of this autonomous school is the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, long recognised as a world authority on strategic studies and terrorism.

NTU is also home to the internationally-acclaimed National Institute of Education, Singapore’s only teacher-training institute.

NTU has in place multi-country programmes and initiatives with established institutions worldwide. Key partners include MIT, Stanford University, Cornell University, Caltech, University of Washington, Georgia Institute of Technology, Carnegie Mellon University in USA, Peking University, Shanghai Jiaotong University, Waseda University, Indian Institute of Technology in Asia, Cambridge University, Imperial College and Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Europe.

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