



# ARTy pARTy 2005



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**For** the first time, Central Singapore Community Development Council's (CDC) very own flagship Arts event ARTy pARTy was held at Plaza Singapura. Taking place over the weekend of 17 and 18 September 2005, this year's ARTy pARTy's theme was "You are a Star".

The theme was based on the idea that there is an artist in everyone, from the performers to the audience. Both are crucial to a performance. Both were therefore "Stars" of ARTy pARTy.

An accumulation of the Community Life Arts Programme (CLAP!), the two-day Central Singapore District arts festival featured a selection of fringe art programmes, which began at 3pm. Stage performances were held from 5pm to 10pm.

As the Arts Manager of Central Singapore CDC, I was honoured to have been part of ARTy pARTy 2005, from its conceptualization to its actualization.

As part of the opening celebrations of the event, I performed a classical belly dance number on stage. The dynamic drum solo item featuring distinct Middle-Eastern rhythms and vibrant dance movements were part of a Middle-Eastern dance language unknown to many Singaporeans.

As usual, ARTy pARTy 2005 featured many Central Singapore District talents. Included were Leaven Trait, 23 Follies, Pei Yan Ling Chinese Opera Arts Troupe, Jazz Kids, Ang Mo Kio CC Hip Hop Club, SgHipHop Club and the 83-year-old Madam Si Lean Chun.

I am sure Singaporeans look forward to ARTy pARTy 2006. I know I do. 🌟

