





# Happy 51st Birthday Singapore

Thian Hock Keng wishes Singapore a Happy 51st Birthday!

#### **Lunar Seventh Month**

The Lunar Seventh Month starts on 3 Aug 2016. The Chinese believes that this important festival in the Chinese calendar, also known as the Hungry Ghost Festival (孟兰节), is when spirits roam the earth. Chinese make offerings to their ancestors, and at the



same time make efforts to appease the spirits with offerings, prayers and traditional shows and performances. Thian Hock Keng marks the festival with a Buddhist ritual (慈善三昧水忏法会) on 13 Aug 2016. Click <a href="here">here</a> for more information.



#### Do You Know?

Thian Hock Keng has ancestral tablets of about 3900 unknown persons whose remains are housed in Choa Chu Kang Columbarium. Till today, Singapore Hokkien Huay Kuan Thian

Hock Keng continues the customs and practice to make offerings and clean the

niches during the Qing Ming Festival (Tomb Sweeping Festival).

## Music in The Courtyard@Thian Hock Keng

It was certainly a never before experience for the audience who joined us at Thian Hock Keng for 3 nights of cultural delights which drew encores and standing ovations. To revisit the moments, click on the individual photos below.







### **Thian Hock Keng**





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