

# penang

TOURISM  
CALENDAR OF EVENTS





Penang is a vibrant State with its capital, George Town, having the rare distinction of being a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is a true melting pot of cultures with its blend of Eastern and Western influences. Retaining many of the values adopted during its era of British rule, Penang bears a charm that is unique to itself.

A bustling city where excitements and festivities never end, whether you are drawn to the drama of a street parade, the spirituality of a prayer ritual or the beauty of an avant-garde theatre performance, there is bound to be an event around the corner waiting to be experienced. The people in Penang celebrate all year round festivals including religious, cultural and arts. These festivals happen almost every month; such as the acrobatic lion dances during Chinese New Year, the intricate weaving of Ketupat (rice dumplings) during Hari Raya Aidilfitri (Eid Mubarak) and the unbelievable body piercings that are seen during Thaipusam (a Hindu religious festival). Besides these, home-grown annual arts festivals unique to Penang such as the George Town Festival, the State-funded George Town Literary Festival and the long-running Penang Island Jazz Festival are part of the reasons for some global travellers to visit Penang.

In addition, sports events play a large role too in putting Penang on the world map. The annual Penang Bridge International Marathon is popular around the globe between marathoners and sports enthusiasts. The Penang Dragon Boat Festival and Penang International Dragon Boat Championship is as much a display of physical strength as it is a cultural spectacle.

\* All event information is correct at time of print and is subject to change without prior notice.

\* All images are not intended for commercial use.



## CITY WALK 1 JAN 2019

The Penang City Council together with Penang Adventurers' Club is organising the annual City Walk 2019 in conjunction with Penang's 'City Day'. The walk is open to all members of the public.

🕒 Flag off at 7 am

📍 Starting Point:  
Lebuh Pantai

✉ helpdesk@howei.com

🌐 [https://event.howei.com/  
event/city-walk-2018](https://event.howei.com/event/city-walk-2018)

👤 Penang City Council and  
Penang Adventurers' Club



## KBJ Lion Dance Championship 5 JAN 2019

Proudly presented by Kompleks Bukit Jambul, spectators can expect a showcase of the most talented and creative lion dance troupes from different states of Malaysia, showcasing amazing feats of agility of the lion dance.

🕒 11 am - 10 pm

📍 Kompleks Bukit Jambul

✉ admin@kbj.com.my

☎ +604-645 6788

🌐 [www.kbj.com.my](http://www.kbj.com.my)

👤 Kompleks Bukit Jambul  
JMB



## Pongal Celebration

15 JAN 2019

Look out for Pongal Celebrations in the early hours on this day at Hindu temples around Penang where you can see rituals being carried out and sweet rice being cooked.

 [www.hebpenang.gov.my](http://www.hebpenang.gov.my)

 +604-650 5215



## Thaipusam Celebration

20-22 JAN 2019

Thaipusam signifies the victory of good over evil. During this celebration, a pilgrimage procession takes place to bring the statue of Lord Muruga led by more than 60 kavadis from Little India to the Arulmigu Balathandayuthapani Hilltop Temple at Waterfall Road.

 Arulmigu Balathandayuthapani Hilltop Temple

 Penang Hindu Endowment Board

 +604-650 5215

 [www.hebpenang.gov.my](http://www.hebpenang.gov.my)



## Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk - Pongal Celebration 26 JAN 2019

Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk is inspired through car-free evening aimed at reducing the use of cars on roads. To bring the community closer to local arts and culture, Bagan Festival celebrates Pongal, a Tamil celebration.

🕒 4 pm - 11 pm

✉ [butterworthbaharu@mpsp.gov.my](mailto:butterworthbaharu@mpsp.gov.my)

📍 Butterworth Art Walk,  
Lorong Bagan Luar 2

🌐 [www.mpsp.gov.my](http://www.mpsp.gov.my)

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👤 Seberang Perai Municipal  
Council



## Kek Lok Si Display of Lights

### 4 - 19 FEB 2019

The Kek Lok Si Temple is a crowd puller and famous tourist attraction, especially during Chinese New Year. Devotees from far and near flock to this 128-year-old temple for its annual lighting display which showcases more than 10,000 lights.

🕒 7 pm - 12 am

✉ [email@kekloksitemple.com](mailto:email@kekloksitemple.com)

📍 Kek Lok Si Temple

🌐 [www.kekloksitemple.com](http://www.kekloksitemple.com)

☎ +604-828 3317

👤 Kek Lok Si Temple



## Chinese New Year

**5 & 6 FEB 2019**

Chinese New Year is celebrated on the first day of the Lunar Calendar with each year ushering in a zodiac animal ruling sign. 2019 is the year of the Pig. Celebrations start on the eve of Chinese New Year where family members gather for a Reunion Dinner.



## 7th Ban Ka Lan Snake Temple CNY Culture Celebration 2019

**9 FEB 2019**

This is the annual Flame Watching Ceremony Festival in conjunction with the birthday of Patron Saint "Chor Soo Kong" of Snake Temple. The festival will showcase an exhibition from individual "Chor Soo Kong" temple in Penang, snake performance and handicraft.

🕒 6 pm - 12 am

📍 Snake Temple  
(Ban Ka Lan)

☎ +604-227 4111

✉ ce\_cheah@yahoo.co.uk

🌐 [www.hokkienkongsipenang.com](http://www.hokkienkongsipenang.com)

👤 Hokkien Kongsipenang



## Penang Hot Air Balloon Fiesta

### 9 & 10 FEB 2019

It's a one-of-a-kind experience and the only hot air balloon festival on an island in Malaysia. The Penang Hot Air Balloon Fiesta will see 15 hot air balloons by international and local balloonists over the 2-day festival, together with family-friendly activities, creative workshops and more!

🕒 7 am - 9.30 pm

🌐 [penanghotairballoonfiesta.com](http://penanghotairballoonfiesta.com)

📍 Padang Polo

👤 AKA Balloon

✉ [info@penanghotairballoonfiesta.com](mailto:info@penanghotairballoonfiesta.com)



## Hokkien New Year Celebration

### 12 FEB 2019

The 9th day of Chinese New Year, also known as Jade Emperor God's birthday is celebrated on a grand scale by the Hokkien clan. At the stroke of midnight, prayers are performed with much gaiety with offerings of food, fruits, liquor and sugarcane stalks to the Jade Emperor God.

🕒 8 pm - 12 am

📍 Ti Kong She Temple at Foothill of Bukit Bendera & Clan Jetties at Weld Quay



## Penang Celebrates: Chap Goh Meh with a Bang @ Esplanade 19 FEB 2019

Celebrate Chap Goh Meh with a Bang! Also known as the Chinese Valentine's Day, join this family-friendly event filled with love, and for those singles, come join the Mandarin Tossing Ceremony and look forward to welcoming your new love and happiness.

🕒 7 pm - 11 pm

☎ +604-650 5133

📍 Penang Esplanade

🌐 [www.mypenang.gov.my](http://www.mypenang.gov.my)

✉ [info.penangtourism@gmail.com](mailto:info.penangtourism@gmail.com)

👤 Penang EXCO Office for Tourism Development, Arts, Culture & Heritage (PETACH)



## Bukit Tambun Chap Goh Meh Ceremony 19 FEB 2019

On the fifteen day of Chinese New Year, a team of Teochew drummers will perform among local temples and Chinese Community Houses in Bukit Tambun and Batu Kawan. Lanterns will be lit up in line with the Teochew drums and Lion Dance team to parade along Jalan Bukit Tambun.

🕒 6.30 pm - 11 pm

✉ [elywnn.chew@gmail.com](mailto:elywnn.chew@gmail.com)

📍 Parade route: Jetty Bukit Tambun to Bukit Tambun Old Town

👤 JKKK Bukit Tambun and Persatuan Murid-murid Sekolah Keng Koon

☎ +6012-568 1757





## Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk – Chinese New Year Celebration 23 FEB 2019

Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk is inspired through car-free evening aimed at reducing the use of cars on roads. To bring the community closer to local arts and culture, Bagan Festival celebrates Chinese New Year with a variety of Chinese cultural activities.

🕒 4 pm - 11 pm

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📍 Butterworth Art Walk,  
Lorong Bagan Luar 2

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👤 Seberang Perai Municipal  
Council



## 10th Penang International Halal Expo & Conference (PIHEC) 2019 1 - 3 MAR 2019

PIHEC 2019 will play host to a total of more than 350 booths represented by local and international industry players from Southern Asia, West Asia and Europe where this will create an opportunity to establish potential businesses with global Halal industry players.

🕒 10 am - 8 pm

✉ [pihec@halalpenang.com](mailto:pihec@halalpenang.com)

📍 SPICE Arena

🌐 [www.halalpenang.com](http://www.halalpenang.com)

☎ +604-262 5444

👤 PIHH Development Sdn Bhd



## St. Patrick's Ball

9 MAR 2019

The annual St. Patrick's Ball celebrates the very best of Irish culture and traditions, together with the Penang Community and guests from around Malaysia. Joined by the Irish Ambassador, the St. Patrick's Ball is a sold out event in the grand Ballroom of the Eastern & Oriental hotel.

🕒 2 pm - 11.30 pm

✉ [penangpia@gmail.com](mailto:penangpia@gmail.com)

📍 Eastern & Oriental Hotel  
Grand Ballroom

🌐 [www.penang-irish-association.com](http://www.penang-irish-association.com)

☎ +6012-462 5596

👤 Penang Irish Association



## Penang Yosakoi Parade

9 MAR 2019

“Yocchore Yo! Yocchore Yo!” with wooden Naruko clappers in hand, the Yosakoi dancers perform their original choreography in the heart of Penang's historical centre. Come join in the Matsuri (Japanese festival) food, fun and games.

🕒 4 pm - 11 pm

🌐 [www.penangyosakoiparade.org](http://www.penangyosakoiparade.org)

📍 Esplanade

👤 Pink Hibiscus Club & City  
Council of Penang Island

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## Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk - Heritage Celebration 23 MAR 2019

Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk is inspired through car-free evening aimed at reducing the use of cars on roads. To bring the community closer to local arts and culture, Bagan Festival celebrates the heritage of Penang's mainland on this day.

🕒 4 pm - 11 pm

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Council



## Penang Arts Week 24 - 31 MAR 2019

Known as an arts hub and a city with bustling arts affairs, Penang is beyond graffiti and street art. Happening for the very first time, the Penang Arts Week brings together a showcase of works by undiscovered artists.

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📘 [www.facebook.com/  
GorgeousPenang](http://www.facebook.com/GorgeousPenang)

📧 [info.penangtourism@  
gmail.com](mailto:info.penangtourism@gmail.com)

👤 Penang EXCO Office for  
Tourism Development, Arts, Cul-  
ture & Heritage (PETACH)

MARCH



## Earth Hour cum Run & Ride for Sight with St. Nicholas' Home 30 MAR 2019

A "Go Green" event to promote a greener and healthier lifestyle. Have some fun while you do your bit for a good cause.

🕒 Earth Hour: 8.30 pm-9.30 pm  
Run & Ride: 5 pm

✉️ [talk2us@queensbaymall.my](mailto:talk2us@queensbaymall.my)

📍 Queensbay Mall

🌐 <http://queensbaymall.com>

☎️ +604-646 8888

👤 Queensbay Mall

APRIL



## Thai Water Festival (Songkran Festival) 13 APR 2019

Songkran or Water Festival is a traditional festival celebrated by Thai and Burmese devotees to wash away bad luck by liberally splashing water on each other.

📍 Wat Chayamangkalarn Thai Buddhist Temple & Dharmikara Burmese Buddhist Temple  
(Lorong Burma, Pulau Tikus)



## Penang International Food Festival

### 13 - 28 APR 2019

The Penang International Food Festival is an annual 16-day event, bringing you an exciting experience on Penang food. Highlighting endless delectable choices and Penang's cooking and food traditions, PIFF is the place for food, stories, experience, culture and traditions.

📍 Around Penang

👤 TLM Event Sdn Bhd

✉ info@piff.com.my

🌐 www.piff.com.my



## Vaisakhi Celebration

### 14 APR 2019

The Sikh feast marks the harvest festival and the religious Khalsa Janam Divas. The open house gives visitors a rare glimpse of insight into the beliefs, customs and practices that are sacredly practised by the Sikhs to this day.

APRIL



## Easter Egg Hunting

**20 APR 2019**

Q-kids Club event for children to happily hunt the eggs throughout. Bountiful returns await.

🕒 3 pm

🌐 <http://queensbaymall.com>

📍 Queensbay Mall

👤 Queensbay Mall

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✉ [talk2us@queensbaymall.my](mailto:talk2us@queensbaymall.my)



## Penang State Vaisakhi Open House

**27 APR 2019**

The month Vesakh marks the celebration of the harvest festival with authentic Punjabi food, dances (the beat of dhols, Gidha, Bhangra singing of folklore songs) connecting communities together through rich culture and heritage.

🕒 6.30 pm -10.30 pm

✉ [waddagurdwarasahibpen@gmail.com](mailto:waddagurdwarasahibpen@gmail.com)

📍 Fort Cornwallis

👤 Wadda Gurdwara Sahib Penang

☎ +6012-430 0497



## Vogue for Virtue

### 27 APR 2019

Making fashion charitable in conjunction with Fashion Month. Major highlight: Charity Fashion Show with celebrities.

🕒 7 pm

🌐 <http://queensbaymall.com>

📍 Queensbay Mall

👤 Queensbay Mall

☎ +604-646 8888

✉ [talk2us@queensbaymall.my](mailto:talk2us@queensbaymall.my)



## Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk – Nature Fest

### 27 APR 2019

Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk is inspired through car-free evening aimed at reducing the use of cars on roads. To bring the community closer to local arts and culture, Bagan Festival highlights the importance of eco-friendly, our environment and nature.

🕒 4 pm - 11 pm

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📍 Butterworth Art Walk,  
Lorong Bagan Luar 2

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👤 Seberang Perai Municipal  
Council



## 11th World Da Bo Gong Festival

**2 - 12 MAY 2019**

“Da Bo Gong Festival” acts as a platform for communications, harmonizes the harmonious relationship between global fellows, leads the inheritance of national excellent culture, promotes regional culture and cultural tourism, as well as social society’s economic development.

📍 Pertubuhan Penganut  
Hock Teik Soo  
Lot 5097, Seksyen 3,  
Kampung Baru,  
13400 Mak Mandin,

☎ +6012-484 5192

✉ hockteiksoobw@gmail.com

👤 Pertubuhan Penganut  
Hock Teik Soo



## Penang Fashion Week

**3 - 5 MAY 2019**

One of the most anticipated events in Penang’s fashion calendar is back, for the 5th year in a row. Penang Fashion Week is the annual event that brings Penang’s fashion industry into the limelight, showcasing the most extensive fashion line up to present in Penang.

🕒 10 am - 10 pm

🌐 [www.gurneyparagon.com](http://www.gurneyparagon.com)

📍 Gurney Paragon Mall

👤 Gurney Paragon Mall

☎ +604-228 8266





## Ramadan Bazaar

**6 MAY - 4 JUN 2019**

During the Muslim Fasting Month, a sumptuous array of food, local delicacies, festive cookies, clothing and religious items will be sold at a month-long evening Ramadan Bazaar.

📍 KOMTAR Pedestrian Walk & along many streets of Penang



## KBJ Raya Bazaar Ramadan

**6 MAY - 4 JUN 2019**

In KBJ, Ramadan is greeted with a riot of colourful and tasty food. Set up at the Promenade Area of Kompleks Bukit Jambul, the "Ramadan Bazaar" will have stalls selling various delicacies and drinks for "buka puasa".

🕒 11 am - 10 pm

☎ +604-645 6788

📍 Kompleks Bukit Jambul

🌐 [www.kbj.com.my](http://www.kbj.com.my)

✉ [admin@kbj.com.my](mailto:admin@kbj.com.my)

👤 Kompleks Bukit Jambul  
JMB



## Penang World Hoops 3X3 Fiba Challenger 11 & 12 MAY 2019

The Penang World Hoops 3X3 Challenger is the 2nd highest ranked tournament on the prestigious FIBA 3X3 World Tour circuit. World Hoops is a FIBA endorsed international competition returning for a fourth year to Penang.

🕒 11 am - 9 pm

✉ [grace@world-hoops.com](mailto:grace@world-hoops.com)

📍 Gurney Paragon Mall  
(7th Floor)

🌐 [www.world-hoops.com](http://www.world-hoops.com)

☎ +604-293 3353

👤 World Hoops Sdn Bhd



## Wesak Day 18 MAY 2019

Wesak Day is observed by devotees to celebrate Buddha's birthday, enlightenment and achievement of Nirvana. From very early in the morning, devotees flock to temples to meditate as well as participate in candle-lit processions.

📍 Malaysian Buddhist  
Association

🌐 [https://www.facebook.com/  
mbapenangbranch/](https://www.facebook.com/mbapenangbranch/)

☎ +604-226 2690

👤 Malaysian Buddhist  
Association



## Nuzul Al-Quran 22 MAY 2019

On the 17th day of the holy Ramadan month, a national-level celebration called the Nuzul Al-Quran is held to commemorate the day Prophet Muhammad S.A.W first received the revelation from Heaven. It is observed as a public holiday in most states in Malaysia.



## Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk - Ramadan Bazaar 25 MAY 2019

Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk is inspired through car-free evening aimed at reducing the use of cars on roads. To bring the community closer to local arts and culture, Bagan Festival celebrates Ramadan by bringing together festive food and showcase cultural elements.

🕒 4 pm - 11 pm

📍 Butterworth Art Walk,  
Lorong Bagan Luar 2

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👤 Seberang Perai Municipal  
Council



## Penang International Dragon Boat Regatta 1 & 2 JUN 2019

Enjoy a weekend of pulsating thrills and spills to the tune of the vigorous beating of drums, strong thrust of roars and various stage performances as the dragon boat teams battle it out in the water to be the champions.

🕒 9 am - 5 pm

📍 Teluk Bahang Dam

✉ [secretarypidbff@hotmail.com](mailto:secretarypidbff@hotmail.com)

📌 Penang International Dragon Boat Festival

👤 Penang International Dragon Boat Regatta (PIDBR) Committee



## Penang Durian Festival 1 JUN - 31 JUL 2019

Durian is one of the most popular fruits in Penang and it is a must try for all visitors. During this fruit season, there will be ample of local fruits displayed to quench your appetite. There are many award winning durians in Penang. eg. Ang Hae, D16, Ang Jin, Ang Bak, D700 etc.

📍 Jalan Burma, Jalan Macalister, Jalan Anson, Anjung Indah Balik Pulau, Bao Sheng Durian Farm



## 2nd International Kungfu Festival 2019

1 JUN 2019

Returning for the second time in Penang, the 2nd International Kungfu Festival 2019 will gather Senior Masters from Penang and overseas to present performances, life demonstrations, showcase of techniques, style of usage and share the secret of applications in Kungfu.

 [www.penangkungfu.com](http://www.penangkungfu.com)

 Persatuan Komuniti Kung Fu Pulau Pinang



## Hari Raya Aidilfitri

5 & 6 JUN 2019

In Malaysia, the Muslims celebrate the start of the month of Syawal by having open houses for their families and friends. Guests can enjoy a variety of traditional Malay cuisine and mouth-watering selection of local delicacies.



## Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk - Hari Raya Celebration 22 JUN 2019

Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk is inspired through car-free evening aimed at reducing the use of cars on roads. To bring the community closer to local arts and culture, Bagan Festival celebrates Hari Raya Aidilfitri.

🕒 4 pm - 11 pm

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📍 Butterworth Art Walk,  
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Council



## Malaysia Miniature Hobby Show (MMHS) / Malaysia Competition (MALCOM)

### 29 & 30 JUN 2019

Malaysia Miniature Hobby Show 2019 (MMHS) is the 4th annual South East Asia Hobby Show. It is a trade show featuring renowned international Hobby Manufacturers from over 15 countries.

🕒 10 am - 6 pm

☎ +6012-497 7712

📍 Cititel Penang

🌐 <http://mmhs2018.weebly.com/>

✉ [malysiaminiaturehobbyshow@gmail.com](mailto:malysiaminiaturehobbyshow@gmail.com)

👤 World Hobby Miniatures



## George Town Heritage Celebrations

**6 & 7 JUL 2019**

An annual event that commemorates the inscription of George Town as a UNESCO World Heritage Site on 7 July 2008. It celebrates the living heritage of George Town - its multicultural practices, traditional food, arts and crafts, as well as cultural festivities and arts events that highlight history and local cultural pride.

📍 George Town

🌐 [www.gtwhi.com.my](http://www.gtwhi.com.my)

☎ +604-261 6606

👤 George Town Heritage Incorporated (GTWHI)

✉ [heritagecelebrations@gtwhi.com.my](mailto:heritagecelebrations@gtwhi.com.my)



## MITM Travel Fair

**6 & 7 JUL 2019**

With over 50 exhibitors who have lined up a treasure trove of fantastic local and international travel deals, as well as travel-related products and services to satisfy the travel bug in you, MITM brings you all under one roof.

🕒 10 am - 9 pm

✉ [mcta.penang@gmail.com](mailto:mcta.penang@gmail.com)

📍 SPICE Arena

🌐 [www.mcta.com.my](http://www.mcta.com.my)

☎ +604-262 8333

👤 Malaysian Chinese Tourism Association



## 7<sup>th</sup> KBJ Futsal Tournament 2019

**6 & 7 JUL 2019**

Organized annually to promote sports and teamwork among the young people, KBJ's Futsal Tournament is a great platform for recreational and healthy lifestyles. The event is organized in collaboration with Kompleks Bukit Jambul Futsal Tournament, where this year's target is 60 teams with participants from all around Malaysia.

🕒 9 am - 6 pm

✉ admin@kbj.com.my

📍 Kompleks Bukit Jambul

🌐 www.kbj.com.my

☎ +604-645 6788

👤 Kompleks Bukit Jambul JMB



## George Town Festival

**13 - 28 JUL 2019**

Now in its 10th edition, George Town Festival celebrates George Town as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, showcasing the best of our arts, culture and heritage. Featuring local and international artists, performers, musicians and the local communities, the Festival is an opportunity for all to indulge in the arts and multicultural heritage through free and ticketed events.

📍 George Town

🌐 www.georgetownfestival.com

☎ +6012-664 6251

👤 TLM Event Sdn Bhd

✉ ask@georgetownfestival.com





## Penang Bon Odori Festival

**20 JUL 2019**

This festival is a Japanese Buddhist observance that honours the spirit of ancestors, who return once a year to visit their families. The carnival-like atmosphere is made even merrier with food stalls, fireworks display, Japanese souvenirs, lively performances and games.

🕒 6 pm - 10.30 pm

📍 Queensbay Mall Outdoor Car Park

☎ +604-650 5133

✉ info.penangtourism@gmail.com

🌐 [www.facebook.com/GorgeousPenang](http://www.facebook.com/GorgeousPenang)

👤 Penang EXCO Office for Tourism Development, Arts, Culture & Heritage (PETACH)



## St. Anne's Festival

**21 - 30 JUL 2019**

A 10-day prayer ritual that draws many believers from all walks of life. In conjunction with the annual St. Anne's Feast, a candlelight procession is usually conducted at the church grounds during the night.

📍 St Anne's Church, Bukit Mertajam

☎ +604-538 6405

✉ [stanne@stannebm.org](mailto:stanne@stannebm.org)

🌐 [www.stannebm.org](http://www.stannebm.org)

👤 St. Anne's Church

JULY



## Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk - Riverfest 27 JUL 2019

Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk is inspired through car-free evening aimed at reducing the use of cars on roads. To bring the community closer to local arts and culture, Bagan Festival brings you the Riverfest.

🕒 4 pm - 11 pm

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Council

AUGUST



## Hungry Ghost Festival 1 - 29 AUG 2019

The Hungry Ghost Festival is believed to be when the Gates of Hell are thrown open for spirits and ghosts from the netherworld to roam freely. Makeshift altars are erected at roadsides where giant joss sticks are lit and food is offered. Staged operas are also conducted for the entertainment of the ghosts, spirits and the public on a nightly basis.

🕒 From 7 pm

☎ +604-281 8413

📍 George Town and Around  
Penang

👤 Persatuan Teong Guan



## Penang Orchid Show 2019

**11 - 18 AUG 2019**

The Penang Orchid Show 2019 is a festival for orchid lovers and enthusiasts. It is a week-long event focusing on competitions and sales of orchids. Orchid judges from all states of Malaysia and Singapore converged to this grand event, and the event aims to go international in 2020.

🕒 9 am - 7 pm

✉ kimlean1229@gmail.com

📍 Penang Botanic Gardens

📘 FB Group: FOMOS

☎ +6012-489 1577

👤 Federation of Malaya Orchid Society (FOMOS)



## SCI Peace Run

**18 AUG 2019**

SCI Peace Run sees 400 physically-challenged children and adults from 12 special schools and homes take part in a 1.5km non-competitive walk. There will also be a 7km competitive run for abled runners, or just to be part of the leisure 1.5km Peace Walk.

🕒 7.30 am

📘 FB Page: SCI Malaysia Penang Chapter & SCI Penang Peace Run

📍 Penang City Park

👤 Service Civil International (SCI) Penang & City Council of Penang Island

☎ +6012-412 2014

✉ sci.penang@gmail.com



## KBJ Ratu Kebaya 2019, Grand Final

**24 AUG 2019**

"KBJ Ratu Kebaya" is a beauty pageant that aims to promote the Baba & Nyonya culture in Penang. The event will also raise funds for selected charity homes in Penang.

🕒 6 pm - 11 pm

✉ admin@kbj.com.my

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## KBJ Car Audio & Body Kit Competition

**31 AUG 2019**

An annual event organised by KBJ that showcases the creativity of car modification enthusiasts, as well as car modifiers specialising in audio and visual sensations.

🕒 11 am - 7 pm

✉ admin@kbj.com.my

📍 Kompleks Bukit Jambul

🌐 www.kbj.com.my

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## Merdeka Day

### 31 AUG 2019

To commemorate Malaysia's Independence Day, an annual Merdeka Parade will be organised by the Penang State Government where over a hundred contingents representing various government agencies will be taking part in the parade.

🕒 8.30 am - 11.30 am

👤 Penang State Government

📍 Esplanade



## Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk - Merdeka Celebration 31 AUG 2019

Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk is inspired through car-free evening aimed at reducing the use of cars on roads. To bring the community closer to local arts and culture, Bagan Festival celebrates Malaysia's Independence Day - Merdeka.

🕒 4 pm - 11 pm

✉ [butterworthbaharu@mpsp.gov.my](mailto:butterworthbaharu@mpsp.gov.my)

📍 Butterworth Art Walk,  
Lorong Bagan Luar 2

🌐 [www.mpsp.gov.my](http://www.mpsp.gov.my)

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👤 Seberang Perai Municipal  
Council

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## Awal Muharram

**1 SEP 2019**

Awal Muharram, also known as Maal Hijrah marks the first day in the Islamic Calendar (Hijrah Calendar). It is equivalent to the 1st of January in the Gregorian Calendar. It is a public holiday in most states of Malaysia.

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## Mid-Autumn - Fly Me to the Moon

### Lantern Creation and Parade

**7 SEP 2019**

Let your creativity take you to the moon and beyond. Parade with pride showcasing your very own creation. The evening is yours!

🕒 7.30 pm

🌐 <http://queensbaymall.com>

📍 Queensbay Mall

👤 Queensbay Mall

☎ +604-646 8888

✉ [talk2us@queensbaymall.my](mailto:talk2us@queensbaymall.my)



## Penang Esports Festival 2019

### 7 & 8 SEP 2019

A large scale esports festival organised for the first time in Penang with the mission to establish the state as a gaming and esports hub in Malaysia and beyond. The festival will bring you gaming showcases, top esports championships and many more gaming related activities!

📍 SPICE Arena

👤 Sozo Pte. Ltd.



## Karnival Pesta Tanglung Bukit Mertajam

### Penang 2019 8 SEP 2019

A Mid-Autumn Festival celebration at Penang's Bukit Mertajam where traditional Chinese lanterns of all shapes are beautifully lit and paraded by young children. There will also be competitions and street performances.

📘 FB Page: Karnival Pesta Tanglung Negeri Pulau Pinang (Bukit Mertajam)

👤 Hokkien Hoay Kuan, Kwong Waai Siew Association, Hainan Association, Hakka Association & Youth Division of Hung Kung Association



## Mid-Autumn Festival

**13 SEP 2019**

The Lantern Festival or Mid-Autumn Festival is celebrated widely by the Chinese community in Penang and is a time when family and friends gather together to admire the full moon while savouring Moon Cakes, Chinese Tea and parading around with colourful Chinese lanterns.

📍 Around Penang



## Penang International Lion Dance on Stilts Championship 14 - 15 SEP 2019

An action packed and exhilarating competition with teams from all over Malaysia, Vietnam, China and more battle it out for the championship title with their most creative and original lion dance performances.

☎ +604-650 5133

✉ info.penangtourism@gmail.com

📘 [www.facebook.com/GorgeousPenang](http://www.facebook.com/GorgeousPenang)

👤 Penang EXCO Office for Tourism Development, Arts, Culture & Heritage (PETACH)





## Malaysia Negaraku

**15 SEP 2019**

Celebrating Malaysia Day with cultural performances and tourism related exhibition.

🕒 8 pm - 10 pm

📍 Kompleks Bukit Jambul

☎ +604-262 0202

✉ [jonathan@motac.gov.my](mailto:jonathan@motac.gov.my)

🌐 [www.motac.gov.my](http://www.motac.gov.my)

👤 Ministry Of Tourism, Arts and Culture (MOTAC) Penang



## Malaysia Day

**16 SEP 2019**

A significant date in the history of Malaysia as it marks the joining together of Malaya, Sabah and Sarawak to form Malaysia in 1963.



## KBJ Petting Zoo in the Mall

**28 - 29 SEP 2019**

The first mini petting zoo in a mall. A great way to spend quality time with your kids, bring your family along to the KBJ Petting Zoo in the Mall where there'll be rabbits, chicks, goats, cats and more. There'll also be kids creative workshops, interactive games and other activities.

🕒 11 am - 7 pm

🌐 [www.kbj.com.my](http://www.kbj.com.my)

📍 Kompleks Bukit Jambul

📍 Kompleks Bukit Jambul JMB

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## Nine Emperor Gods Festival

**28 SEP - 7 OCT 2019**

The Nine Emperor Gods Festival is celebrated on the 1st till the 9th day of the ninth month in the lunar calendar. Throughout this festival, rituals such as skewering and fire walking ceremonies are carried out. On the last day, the Gods are sent off through a procession leading to the sea accompanied by many other colourful floats.

📍 Tow Boo Kong Temple, 894 & 896, MK14, Jalan Raja Uda, Butterworth

🌐 <http://www.towbookong.org.my/>

📍 Tow Boo Kong Association

☎ +604-331 8717



## Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk - Arts Festival 28 SEP 2019

Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk is inspired through car-free evening aimed at reducing the use of cars on roads. To bring the community closer to local arts and culture, Bagan Festival highlights and showcase arts of Butterworth in this Arts Festival.

🕒 4 pm - 11 pm

✉ [butterworthbaharu@mpsp.gov.my](mailto:butterworthbaharu@mpsp.gov.my)

📍 Butterworth Art Walk,  
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Council



## Navratri Festival 29 SEP - 8 OCT 2019

The Navratri Festival is a Hindu religious festival. For 9 days, devotees pray to the Goddess Thurda, Goddess Laxmi and Goddess Sarawathy in hopes of power, wealth and education. Chariot processions also take place on the final days of the festival.



## Asian Food & Culture Festival

### SEP 2019

A showcase of different Asian cultures and lifestyles, partake like you're visiting different Asian countries all in a weekend, at one place – Penang! Food, culture, lifestyles and an experience you won't want to miss, soak in the fun and excitement at the Asian Food & Culture Festival.

🕒 10 am - 10 pm

✉ info.penangtourism@gmail.com

📘 [www.facebook.com/GorgeousPenang](http://www.facebook.com/GorgeousPenang)

👤 Penang EXCO Office for Tourism Development, Arts, Culture & Heritage (PETACH)



## 11th International Skimboarding Competition

### SEP 2019

Skimboarding is a hybrid water sport crossed between surfing & skateboarding. Since 2005, local skimboarders from Penang has been chasing shorebreak waves and surfing it back to shore. Skateboarding trick will be performed while surfing the waves back to shore.

🕒 8 am - 6.30 pm

📍 Tanjung Tokong Beach,  
Jalan CM Hashim

☎ +6012-403 5097

✉ [kjetshon@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:kjetshon@yahoo.co.uk)

📘 <http://facebook.com/groups/55674429768>

👤 City Council of Penang Island & United Skimboarding Club



## Penang RendezVous

**4 - 6 OCT 2019**

The Penang RendezVous offers you a luxury lifestyle experience in a marine environment encompassing cars, art, fashion, entertainment and food with an interactive approach. Visitors can expect one-of-a-kind experiences – from yachts, classic cars and supercars to high-end properties, art, fine wines and gastronomy.

🕒 11 am - 9 pm

📍 Straits Quay Marina

✉ aileen@heart-media.com

🌐 <http://www.penangrendezvous.com/>

👤 Asia Rendezvous Pte Ltd



## Penang Coffee + Art Weekend

**12 -13 OCT 2019**

Where coffee lovers meet; where coffee amateurs grow. The Penang Coffee + Art Weekend brings together coffee lovers, and provides a platform for all things coffee. Coffee lovers can enjoy, indulge and experience the different flavours and possibilities of coffee, as well as witness a showcase of coffee art by various renowned baristas.

🕒 10 am - 10 pm

📍 Major Shopping Malls  
in Penang

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🌐 [www.facebook.com/GorgeousPenang](http://www.facebook.com/GorgeousPenang)

👤 Penang EXCO Office for  
Tourism Development, Arts,  
Culture & Heritage (PETACH)



## Fiesta Pulau Aman

**19 OCT 2019**

Fiesta Pulau Aman will feature a Fishing Contest for both locals and tourists. Other activities include "Boling Kelapa" (Coconut Bowling) and "Lari Dalam Guni" (Gunny Sack Race), exhibitions, community service programs, as well as fire simulation and rescue of drowning victims.

🕒 8 am - 1 pm

✉️ [pdtsp@penang.gov.my](mailto:pdtsp@penang.gov.my)

📍 Various locations in Pulau Aman

🌐 <http://sps.penang.gov.my>

☎️ +604-585 7800

👤 Pejabat Daerah Seberang Perai Selatan and JKKK Pulau Aman



## Halloween Party

**26 OCT 2019**

Dare yourselves to the freakiest Halloween at the tallest building in Penang! The Top Penang celebrates Halloween with decorations, parties, candies, costumes and trick-or-treating. A series of performances and activities will make your Halloween night a memorable one.

🕒 5 pm - 12.30 am

☎️ +604-262 3800

📍 The Top @ KOMTAR  
1, Jalan Penang, 10000  
George Town, Penang

✉️ [sales@thetop.com.my](mailto:sales@thetop.com.my)

🌐 [www.thetop.com.my](http://www.thetop.com.my)

👤 The Top Penang



## Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk – Deepavali

### 26 OCT 2019

Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk is inspired through car-free evening aimed at reducing the use of cars on roads. To bring the community closer to local arts and culture, Bagan Festival celebrates Festival of Lights - Deepavali.

🕒 4 pm - 11 pm

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📍 Butterworth Art Walk,  
Lorong Bagan Luar 2

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## Deepavali

### 27 OCT 2019

This colourful festival is also known as “The Festival of Lights” and is celebrated by the Hindus. Oil lamps are lit and decorated in their homes on Deepavali morning as a way of thanking the gods for happiness, knowledge, peace and wealth.



## Retrospective of Cheah Yew Saik

**2 Nov - 31 Dec 2019**

Cheah Yew Saik masters in oil and watercolour and is also well versed in different kinds of mediums. He was the founder of the Malaysia Watercolour Society, the President of Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts Alumni Association of Malaysia, and the founder and Principal of K.L.C.A till 2002.

🕒 9 am - 5 pm  
(Closed every Friday)

📍 Penang State Art Gallery,  
Dewan Sri Pinang

☎ +604-2261 461 / 462

✉ radziah@penangmuseum.gov.my

🌐 www.penangmuseum.gov.my

👤 Lembaga Muzium & Balai Seni  
Lukis Negeri Pulau Pinang



## “The Death and Life of Hokkien” Cultural Exhibition

**9 Nov 2019 - 9 Feb 2020**

Hokkien is spoken by two and a half times the population of Sweden. While the Swedish language faces no threat of extinction, Hokkien is set to vanish. This is an exhibition about Hokkien, and the factors that are driving it into endangerment. You will see old scripts written in southern Chinese languages for the first time in Malaysia.

🕒 9 am - 5 pm

📍 Cheah Kongsı

☎ +6017-501 6088

✉ lianlok@speakhokkien.org

🌐 www.speakhokkien.org

👤 Hokkien Language Association  
of Penang & Cheah Kongsı





## 2nd Seberang Perai Half Marathon 2019

### 10 NOV 2019

A sports event open to all ages, Seberang Perai Half Marathon is a marathon with a route that covers both nature and township. The Fun Run in this event is suitable for all ages and families. The marathon route promotes heritage sites and tourism of Bukit Tambun.

🕒 5 am - 11 am

📍 Starting Point: Pusat Khidmat Adun Bukit Tambun

☎ +604-502 5818

✉ info@mymajorevents.com

🌐 www.mymajorevents.com

👤 Pusat Khidmat Kadun Bukit Tambun and My Major Event Management



## The Top Penang Tower Run

### 17 NOV 2019

The Komtar Tower is known as Penang's tallest skyscraper, offering a stunning view of George Town. The Top Penang Tower Run is held with the objective of fostering a healthy lifestyle regardless of the city's hectic pace. Participants will be climbing in the most significant building that has a height of 249m from the ground.

🕒 7 am - 10 am

📍 The Top @ KOMTAR  
1, Jalan Penang, 10000  
George Town, Penang

☎ +604-262 3800

🌐 www.thetop.com.my

✉ sales@thetop.com.my

👤 The Top Penang



## George Town Literary Festival

### 21 - 24 NOV 2019

The George Town Literary Festival is the largest international literary festival in Malaysia. GTLF focuses on world literature and believes in the power of free speech and expression and is committed to being one of the most urgent, vital and provocative literary festivals in the region.

📍 Around George Town

🌐 [www.georgetownlitfest.com](http://www.georgetownlitfest.com)

☎ +604-261 6161

👤 Penang Convention & Exhibition Bureau

✉ [info@georgetownlitfest.com](mailto:info@georgetownlitfest.com)



## Penang Bridge International Marathon 2019

### 24 NOV 2019

The Penang Bridge International Marathon is an international running event catered to all from young to old. The event will be held at the Penang Bridge. It is the biggest running event in Malaysia and has been listed in the Malaysia Book of Records.

🕒 From 1.30 am

🌐 [www.penangmarathon.gov.my](http://www.penangmarathon.gov.my)

📍 Penang Bridge (First Bridge)

👤 Penang EXCO Office for  
Tourism Development, Arts,  
Culture & Heritage (PETACH)

☎ +604-650 5133

✉ [info@penangmarathon.gov.my](mailto:info@penangmarathon.gov.my)



## 2019 WDC Professional Ballroom World Championship 29 - 30 NOV 2019

The 26th Penang International Ballroom Dancing Championship will bring in 200 best Standard and Latin competitors from 21 countries. The event's 2nd day, 30th November, will be the WDC Professional Ballroom World Championship held at Setia SPICE Convention & Exhibition Centre.

🕒 8 am - 11 pm

☎ +604-226 3807

📍 Bayview Beach Resort  
Penang and Setia SPICE  
Convention & Exhibition  
Centre

✉ mda-my@hotmail.com

👤 Malaysia Ballroom Dancers'  
Association ( MBDA )



## Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk - Youth Festival 30 NOV 2019

Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk is inspired through car-free evening aimed at reducing the use of cars on roads. To bring the community closer to local arts and culture, Bagan Festival brings you a Youth Festival to encourage youth involvement.

🕒 4 pm - 11 pm

✉ butterworthbaharu@mpsp.gov.my

📍 Butterworth Art Walk,  
Lorong Bagan Luar 2

🌐 www.mpsp.gov.my

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👤 Seberang Perai Municipal  
Council



## Penang International Dragon Boat Festival 7 & 8 DEC 2019

Enjoy a weekend of pulsating thrills and spills to the tune of the vigorous beating of drums, strong thrust of roars and various stage performances as the dragon boat teams battle it out in the water to be the champions.

🕒 9 am - 5 pm

📍 Teluk Bahang Dam

✉ [secretarypidbf@hotmail.com](mailto:secretarypidbf@hotmail.com)

📌 Penang International Dragon Boat Festival

👤 Penang International Dragon Boat Festival (PIDBF) Committee



## Butterworth Fringe Festival 2019 7 & 8 DEC 2019

The Butterworth Fringe Festival is a platform in making Butterworth a cultural, creative and innovative hub, as well as promoting local culture by bringing in varieties of programs to present the international culture of street art festival.

🕒 4 pm - 11 pm

📍 Jalan Jeti Lama,  
Butterworth

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🌐 [www.mpsp.gov.my](http://www.mpsp.gov.my)

👤 Seberang Perai Municipal Council



## Penang Pesta Chingay Parade

**15 DEC 2019**

The Chingay and Lion Dance troupe members will display their skills in balancing stilt poles during this annual street parade. There will be giant colourful flags and floats, lion and also dragon dance performances.

🕒 7 pm - 11 pm

📍 Starting Point: Padang Brown, Jalan Dato Keramat to Esplanade

✉ info.penangtourism@gmail.com

🌐 [www.facebook.com/GorgeousPenang](http://www.facebook.com/GorgeousPenang)

👤 Penang EXCO Office for Tourism Development, Arts, Culture & Heritage (PETACH)



## Seberang Perai Chingay Parade

**22 DEC 2019**

A cultural and colourful parade, following the Pesta Chingay Parade on the island, which consists of a mix of Chingay groups, Lion and Dragon Dance teams, Lion Dance on stilts, colourful floats, traditional drums, martial arts team and school marching bands.

🕒 7.30 pm - 11.30 pm

📍 Starting Point: MPSP Field on Jalan Bagan Luar

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🌐 [www.facebook.com/GorgeousPenang](http://www.facebook.com/GorgeousPenang)

👤 Penang EXCO Office for Tourism Development, Arts, Culture & Heritage (PETACH)



## Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk - New Year's Party 28 DEC 2019

Bagan Festival @ Butterworth Art Walk is inspired through car-free evening aimed at reducing the use of cars on roads. To bring the community closer to local arts and culture, Bagan Festival invites you to a New Year's party and a unique countdown at the Butterworth Art Walk.

🕒 4 pm - 11 pm

✉ [butterworthbaharu@mpsp.gov.my](mailto:butterworthbaharu@mpsp.gov.my)

📍 Butterworth Art Walk,  
Lorong Bagan Luar 2

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## New Year Countdown Party 31 DEC 2019

The much-anticipated party of the year complete with dazzling fireworks lighting up the skyline of Queensbay Mall's seafront when the clock strikes midnight.

🕒 8.30 pm

✉ [talk2us@queensbaymall.my](mailto:talk2us@queensbaymall.my)

📍 Queensbay Mall

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👤 Queensbay Mall







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