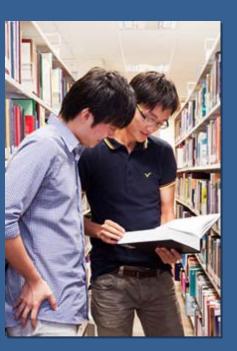
Memes, Masterpieces & More User Engagement the NUS Libraries' Way









NUS Libraries



NUS Libraries (And Primary Users)

CJ Koh Law Library
•Law Faculty





Hon Sui Sen Memorial Library
•Business School



Central Library

- •Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences
- School of Computing
- •School of Design & Environment
- •Faculty of Engineering
- •Lee Kuan Yew Sch of Public Policy
- •Research institutes @ BT Campus

Science Library
•Science Faculty



Chinese Library

•Departments using Chinese and Japanese resources





Music Library

Yong Siew Toh Conservatory of Music



Medical Library

- Faculty of Dentistry
- •Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine

Vision, Mission & Strategies

Vision: A premier knowledge hub promoting the University's vision

as a leading global university centred in Asia.

Mission: To deliver just-in-time information with passion and a smile.



Strategic Thrusts	Strategic Objectives
Staff Excellence	Nurture and retain high performance and innovative staff
Collection Excellence	2. Develop timely and relevant resources3. Enhance retrieval from collections
Service Excellence	4. Promote services and resources5. Improve services
Operational Excellence*	6. Continual improvement of process and infrastructure

^{*}Operational excellence thrust underpins the other 3 thrusts

Objectives of Outreach

NUS Libraries outreach efforts fulfill one or more of the following objectives:

- (1) To increase awareness of Library's services and resources
- (2) To increase usage of Library's services and resources
- (3) To promote the Library as relevant and customer oriented

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Outreach Strategies

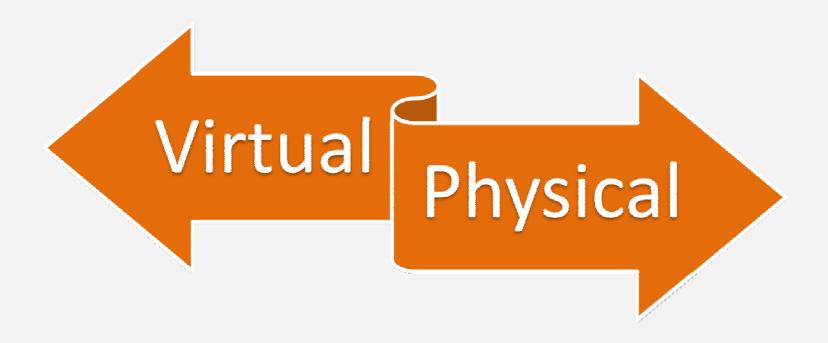
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Extend our presence beyond traditional boundaries

Strategy 2:

Strengthen relationships with our stakeholders

Outreach Strategies: Dual-Pronged Approach



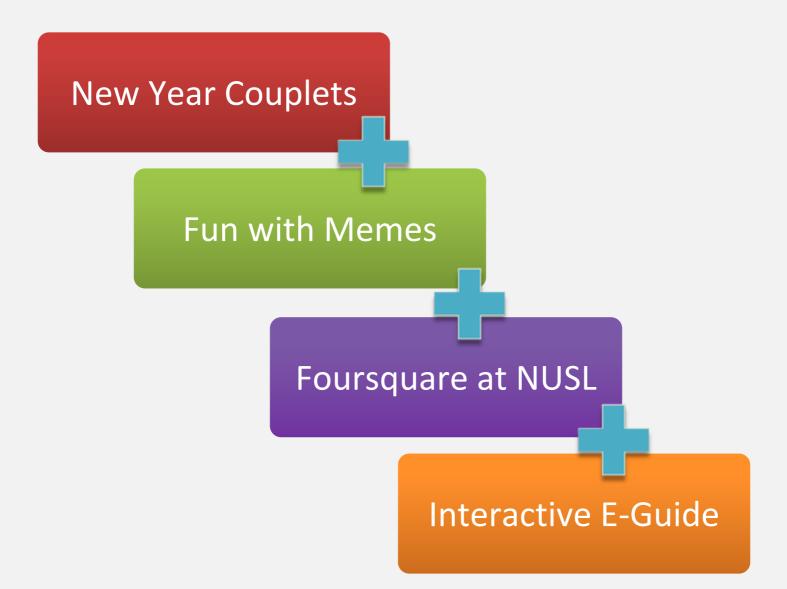
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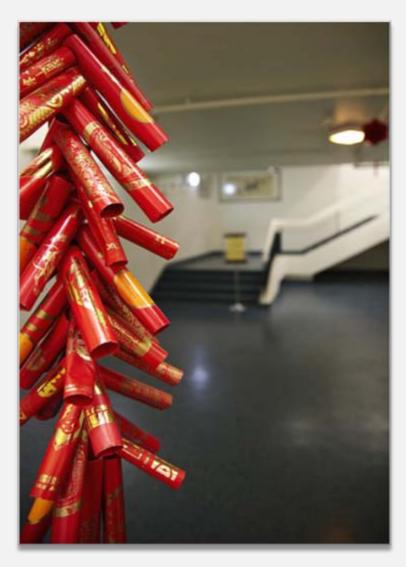




Strategy 1: Extend Our Presence Beyond Traditional Boundaries



(I) New Year Couplets





Objectives

- To celebrate Chinese New Year with our university community.
- To promote our collection of Chinese books on Chinese calligraphy and related topics.



Event Details

- Duration of event: 4 hours
- No. of attendees: 150
- No. of couplets given away: 120
- Experienced student calligraphers from the Chinese Society Calligraphy Group helped with writing the couplets.

Observations

- An activity that has appeal beyond race and nationality
- Attracted many staff and students of different races, who collected sets of couplets to:
- give to their Chinese neighbors to wish them well
- bring them back to their home country



Observations

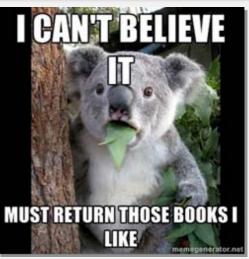
- 2. Building relationships from the heart
- Chinese New Year is an important festival, and it provided an opportunity to show that we value our users' culture and our commitment to promote cultural understanding among our globalized community
- One of the many events we organize partnering the Chinese Society

(II) Memes Contest









Objectives

- To offer students a non-traditional and very popular way to communicate and express themselves
- To get feedback on their concerns and issues
- To build our online community by identifying with our target audience (i.e. to speak their language)
 - Duration of contest: 2 weeks
 - No. of entries: over 100
 - Top 10 were selected and awarded a small token

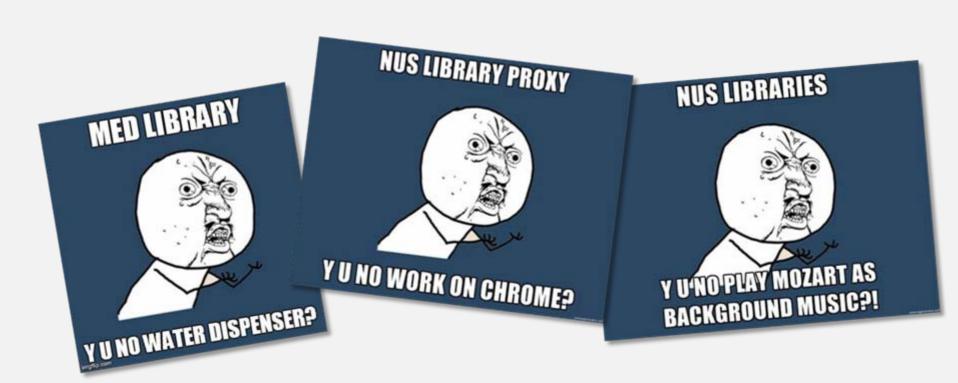
Observations

- 1. High level of engagement & increased reach
- Facebook reach: 30,000 vs. 2,000 in a typical week
 - Enthusiastic response to the memes
 - Over 2,000 likes on the memes
 - Number of Facebook fans increased by over a hundred



Observations

2. A novel communication channel



(III) Foursquare @ NUSL

Check-in at Central Library or Hon Sui Sen Memorial Library on Guerge during our Mystery Hour * and stand to win Kinokuniya vouchers!

* (timing to be announced on Twitter & Facebook!)

on Foursquare at Central Library, and win prizes!

Check in over
repeated visits to Central
Library, from 10/2 - 10/4.
The top three users who checked
in the most times will win Kino
vouchers and more!

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Foursquare Mystery Hour @ NUS Libraries:

Date: 28 Feb, Tuesday

Time: ???

Place: somewhere in Central Library

Date: I Mar, Thurs

Time: ???

Place: somewhere in Hon Sui Sen

Memorial Library

scan this QR code on your smart phone for more information:

or, visit http://bit.ly/4sqfaq



Contest is open to NUS staff & students only. NUS Libraries staff are not eligible to participate.

Objectives

- To more effectively reach out & interact with users
- Experiment with a new emerging technology: location based services
- Get feedback (via an e-survey during flash hour event)





Observations

- 1. Foursquare Mayorship @ Central Library
- Period of 2 months
- No. of check-ins: 1,472

85% higher than the same period in 2011

- 2. Flash Specials @ Central & HSSM Library
- 2 different days & hour
- No. of check-ins: 88

Highest than any other day on record

Future Directions

- Push notifications using location-based services
- More sophisticated data collection tool

Impact of Social Media in Promoting Our Service

A substantial traffic of new visitors driven by social

media to our following services:

Portal: 9.12%

• FAQ:69%

Discovery service: 70%

• E-interactive guide: 47%



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(IV) Interactive E-Guide



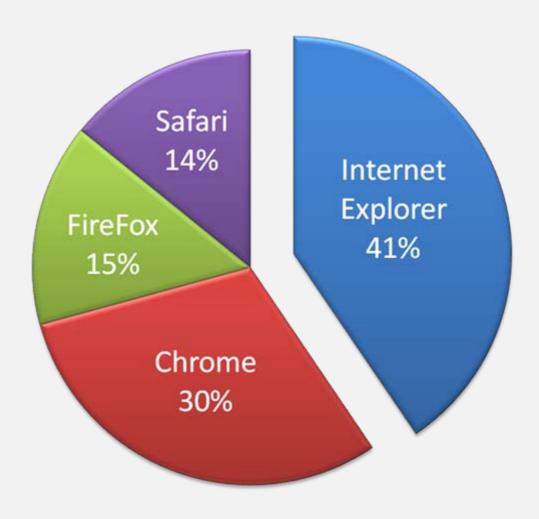
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1. Increase reach that can be more easily measured

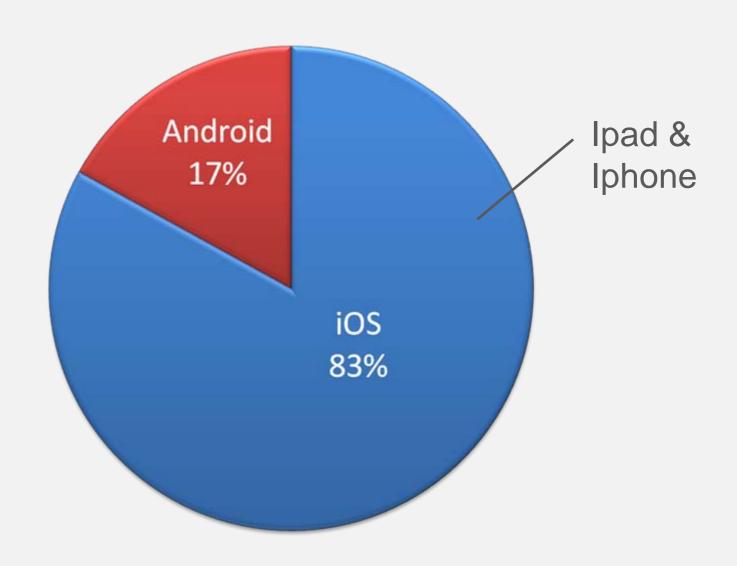
No. of visits:	1,587
No. of unique visitors:	1,007
Average time spent per visit:	4min
Most popular time of visit:	6- 8pm
Most popular search keywords:	"Services"

*Figures from July 15 to Sept 2 2012

Access By Browser Type



Most Popular Mobile Platforms



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The exhibition attracts students right ...

Published on Sep 4th 2012

The exhibition attracts students right after we finish setting up!Moments @ NUS Libraries Photography Contest Photo Exhibitio...



Published on Sep 3rd 2012

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NUS Libraries Blog

Celebrating 25 years with the Heads of HSSML

Published On Aug 30th 2012

HSSML celebrates its 25 years remembering the librarians who helmed the library. The heads of HSSML, posing beside the bust of Mr Hon Sui Sen, are from left: Mrs Lee-Wang Cheng Yeng: 1987-1991 Ms Lim

6 Things You Should Do When Starting On Your Thesis

Published On Aug 23rd 2012

Starting on your Honours year thesis or Masters/Phd dissertation but not sure where to search? Here are 6 things you should do:

1. Do a broad literature review for your area of

Flickr Albums



Find out more about

Average time spent:

2min 36sec

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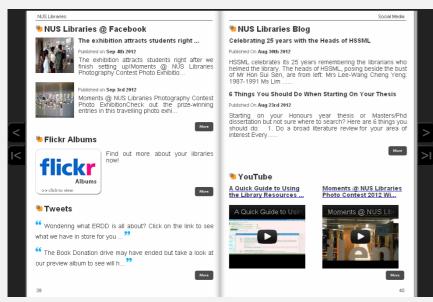


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Objectives

2. Engagement: our users' way



Live updates of news & events via RSS Feeds

Live updates of our social media accounts via RSS Feeds



NUS Libraries News & Events

Past year examination papers

NewsThe Board of Undergraduate Studies has decided that with effect from Academic Year 2012/13, only the past five year examination papers are made accessible to students. This is because course

More about this

News & Events

 Unavailability of Central Library Training Room for August and September 2012

NewsThe Central Library Training Room on Level 6 will be unavailable throughout August and September 2012 as tutorials will be conducted throughout this period. Please use

More about this

Accessing e-resources with Google Chrome

NewsWe are happy to announce that users can now access our library's e-resources with Google Chrome, with effect from 1

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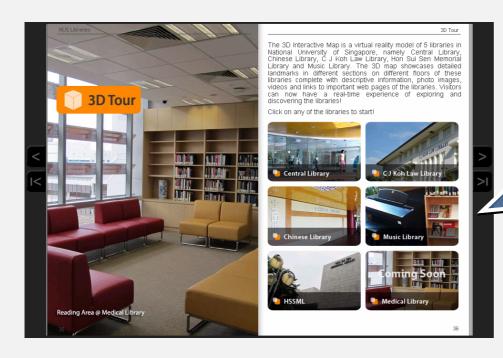
Opening hours extended @ Chinese Library Specialised Collection Room

NewsGood news! From 9 January, the Chinese Library's Specialised Collection Room on Level 5 will have extended opening hours after a renovation. Users can now use reference materials from the Chi...

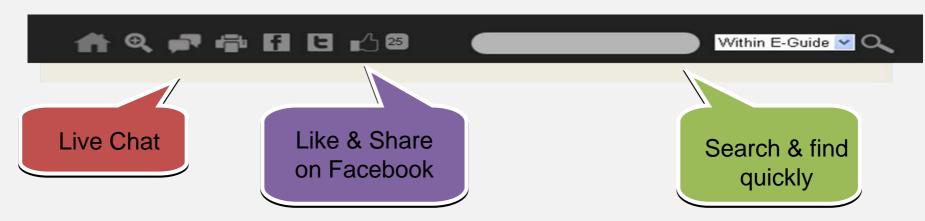
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Seamless access to our 3D virtual libraries



Objectives

- 3. Environmental sustainability
- Printed 5000 less guides in 2012
- Directing users to e-guide more & more
- 4. Cost Savings
- Saved at least SGD 4,000-5,000 in 2012

http://lib-eguide.nus.edu.sg/

Strategy 2







Strategy 2: Strengthen Relationships with Key Stakeholders



Moments @ NUS Libraries Photo Contest













Objectives

- To challenge users to view the Library in a different light (novel engagement).
- To connect and build relationships with student societies (e.g. The Photographic Society of NUS).
- Get a pool of high-quality user-created pictures for



Contest Details

- **Duration of Contest: 1 month**
- No. of entries: 177
- Judges consisted of an award winning photojournalist, the president of the Photographic Society and a librarian who is also a photography enthusiast.
- 3 grand prizes and 27 merit prizes were awarded











Observations

- 1. High level of interest:
- Over 70 registered participants
- Views on Flickr album (all entries): 893
- Reach on Facebook: 1,065



Observations

- 2. Such competitions have multiple benefits:
- Economical way to get high quality photos
- Novel way to engage users and see the Library through their eyes
- Show users that the Library is more than just about knowledge - it also inspires and excites





ERDD Book & Garage Sale



Objectives of Book & Garage Sale

- To collaborate with our community in raising funds
- To encourage Library staff involvement in community outreach
- To contribute to our community and support our needy students









Funds Raised for Beneficiaries

Year	Proceeds	Beneficiary
2009	\$2,250.15	Student Union Bursaries
2010	\$6,067.20	Student Union Bursaries
2011	\$11,000.30	NUS Bursaries
2012	\$14,815.50	NUS Bursaries



Future directions will see us collaborate more with student groups so as to increase the size, duration and proceeds of the event.

What's Next

- Location-based services
- Contests encouraging user-generated works
- More collaborations with the community



THANK YOU!



