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Enabling Lives Festival 2025 Invites Singaporeans to Engage with and Support the Disability Community Through Over 55 Programmes at Landmark Attractions, Cultural Venues and Community Spaces



- **Science Centre Singapore, Children's Museum Singapore, and Ascott International Management** join as new partners alongside returning collaborators Ngee Ann Polytechnic's Dialogue in the Dark, Esplanade – Theatres on the Bay, Gardens by the Bay, Punggol Regional Library and more.
- Festival-goers can **shop** handcrafted gifts, **explore** creative art installations, **participate** in hands-on workshops, and **support** inclusive performances – all while connecting with and supporting the disability community.
- Enabling Village celebrates its 10th anniversary with a new four-storey extension featuring **i'mable Collective Space** and new tenants such as Voices of Singapore, Inschool, Eyeviser, Music Solutions and more.

Singapore, 29 October 2025 – SG Enable is pleased to announce the fifth edition of *Enabling Lives Festival*, expanding its reach across Singapore from **6 to 7 December 2025** with inclusive marketplaces, workshops, performances and tours. This year, the festival brings together over 80 partners including disability-inclusive businesses, social enterprises, and leading public and private organisations to champion disability inclusion at popular locations.

Enabling Lives Festival, one of the key drivers of **i'mable** – SG Enable's public education initiative – welcomes new collaborators such as Ascott International Management, Children's Museum Singapore, and Science Centre Singapore, alongside returning partners Dialogue in the Dark, Esplanade – Theatres on the Bay, Gardens by the Bay, and Punggol Regional Library.

Together with these partners, the Enabling Lives Festival offers the public meaningful opportunities to connect with, support and understand the disability community throughout the festival weekend, reinforcing the ethos of the '**Would You Care?**' public education campaign this year: to look beyond disabilities and recognise individuals with talents, aspirations and a shared desire for belonging.

Enabling Village 10th Anniversary Celebration

The festival's central hub, Enabling Village, celebrates the 10th anniversary this year. Festival-goers can explore the **new four-storey extension**, taking a first look at disability inclusion concepts housed within the expanded Enabling Village. The new **i'mable Collective Space** at the extension is an integrated experiential showcase featuring retail, gallery, studio and café experiences that enables creatives with disabilities to connect with the community and gain visibility for their work.





The popular **i'mable Collective Market** returns with over 40 makers from social enterprises, caregiver-led businesses, and inclusive partner brands. Shoppers can browse handcrafted creations for year-end gifts from returning and new vendors, such as dinosaur-inspired lifestyle merchandise from artist *Thaddino*, essential oil-infused shower steamers by *AusomeSuds*, locally-inspired jigsaw puzzles by social enterprise *A Piece of Mine*, and more.

The Enabling Village 10th Anniversary Celebration will also be collaborating with ART:DIS to feature a series of programmes that celebrate the creativity and talent of artists with disabilities:

- **Interactive Performances, Art Installations & Experiential Activities:**

Experience '*One of Us*', a moving performance by artists with disabilities exploring a sense of belonging through poetry, movement and sound, and '*Echoes of Us*', where artists with diverse abilities and audiences unite through percussive beats, soulful vocals and street dance – demonstrating that every voice has a place in our shared community. Interactive art installations include '*The Listening Skin*', where visitors contribute to a tactile textile landscape inspired by forest ecosystems, and '*Tracing Presence*' by sculptor Syamil Dasuki, featuring hand-drawn portraits on sheer fabric that reflect on the power of care and connection. Step into a pop-up photography studio of Deaf photographer Isabelle Lim and explore the nuances of non-verbal interaction through witnessing the intimate process of portrait photography.

Festival-goers can also check out Enabling Village's inclusive ecosystem, featuring established facilities like *Kindle Garden* preschool, an *ActiveSG* gym, and *Little Splashes Aquatics* indoor heated pool, alongside new tenants at the new four-storey extension including Singapore's first inclusive eyecare centre *Eyeviser*, and other innovative enterprises opening new pathways for Singapore's disability community at work, school and community.

Festival Programmes Across Singapore | 6 to 7 December 2025

Children's Museum Singapore

Discover the museum's inspiring journey towards becoming a space for all children through partnerships, culminating in an inclusive storytelling of '*Grandpa Yeh's Journey South*' brought to life with sign language interpretation. In '*Superhawker Me!*', step into Singapore's hawker culture through a multisensory performance filled with catchy sing-alongs and interactive fun.

Esplanade – Theatres on the Bay

Get ready to feel the music and sign along in Song Signing 101 Workshop by The Singapore Association For The Deaf (SADeaf). This hands-on workshop is open to everyone, no matter your background. You'll learn basic sign language, how to express songs through movement and facial expressions, and discover how rhythm and gestures bring music to life. It's a fun, welcoming space to connect, explore and express yourself. This programme is also presented as part of Esplanade's Voices – A Festival of Song.

Gardens by the Bay

'Discover the Wonders of Gardens by the Bay, a sensory tour designed for the visually impaired', a programme specially designed for the Enabling Lives Festival, features a pilot exhibition of 2.5D and 3D-printed miniatures inspired by nature and architecture such as the Cloud Forest. Join the '*Sensory Garden Walk*', co-created with Metta Welfare Association, where visually impaired docents guide participants through touch, sound and storytelling.

lyf Bugis Singapore

Join a wheelchair-friendly tour of the Bugis precinct, curated by Tourism & Resort Management students from Ngee Ann Polytechnic in collaboration with Ascott International Management and Ludus Lab. Starting from lyf Bugis Singapore, the participants will learn how inclusive design principles in hospitality and cultural landmarks shape accessible experiences for all.

Ngee Ann Polytechnic

Dialogue in the Dark Singapore returns as a programme partner with an all-new tour through parks and busy streets. Guided by a blind host, participants rely on non-visual senses for navigating everyday environments, fostering empathy and a deeper appreciation for accessibility. This role reversal will offer participants a fresh perspective on familiar spaces.

Science Centre Singapore

In conjunction with the Enabling Lives Festival, Science Centre Singapore presents two inclusive programmes celebrating the wonders of science. Observe the sun's beauty through specially-equipped telescopes in '*Solar Appreciation*', learning how science can be made accessible to all. In '*Discover Science Through Different Lenses*', facilitators with disabilities showcase engaging hands-on activities exploring physics and chemistry, displaying science through new perspectives.

Members of the public can register their participation and find out more information on Enabling Lives Festival 2025 here: <https://enablinglivesfestival.sg>

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The Enabling Lives Festival is a signature event organised by SG Enable to rally stakeholders, corporates, philanthropies and the community, to come together to celebrate the occasion of the International Day of Persons with Disabilities. Themed 'Celebrating Inclusion and Abilities', the Festival anchors on three programme pillars – Celebrate, Collaborate, Champion, reflecting SG Enable's long-term commitment to strengthen the social fabric of our community across all abilities and to make Singapore a more inclusive place to live and work in.



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