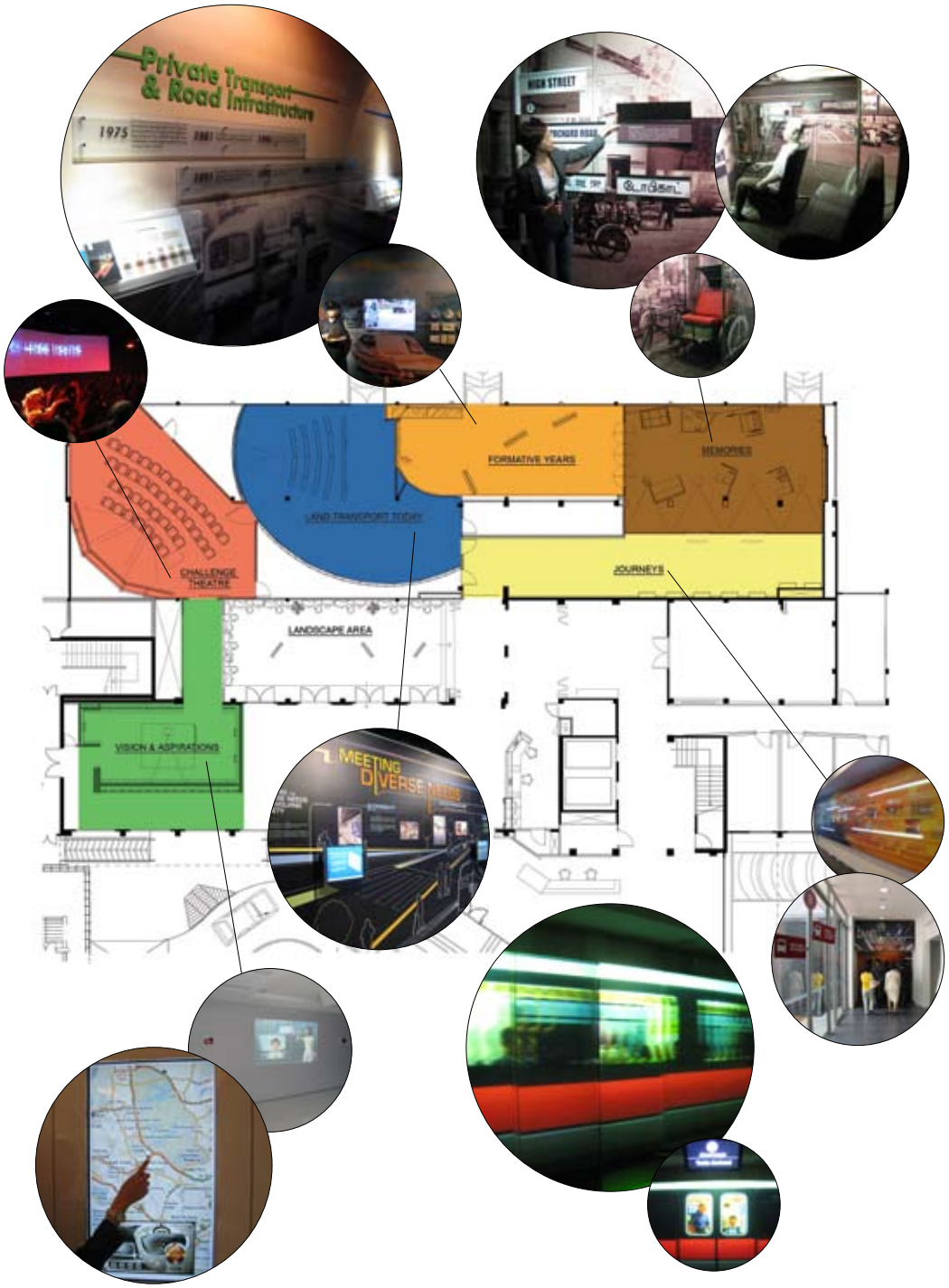
LAND TRANSPORT GALLERY



Land Transport Gallery at a Glance

Opened in January 2008, this gallery is a must-visit if you have foreign visitors who are curious about Singapore's land transport history and infrastructure. It's fun to let your guests discover the MRT, ERP, and KPE through this fully-guided interactive tour. Children will also enjoy the trip as each section has "lights and sounds" to capture their attention. The gallery is split up into six sections: Journeys, Memories, Formative Years, Land Transport Today, Challenge Theatre, and Vision and Aspirations.

Admission to the Gallery is free but prior booking (at 6396 2550) is recommended to ensure you are visiting at a tour time that isn't fully booked. The gallery is open from Tuesday to Sunday (9am to 5pm) and closed on Mondays and public holidays. Scheduled tour times are at 9am, 11am, 1pm and 3pm. Located at 1 Hampshire Road (Block 1, level 1), it is right opposite KK Hospital so Little India is the closest MRT station. If you are driving, try the parking lot on Hampshire Road first but if parking is full, take the Kampong Java entrance and tell the security guard you're headed for the gallery. It's a longer walk but easy with the stroller as ramps are provided. Likewise, the gallery caters to strollers and wheelchairs as well.

1. Embark on an Exciting Journey

Upon a brief welcome by the guide, you'll be invited to step into a corridor set up to simulate the goings on of a transportation hub. It's quite exciting and definitely provides the opportunity to learn about the land transport systems of the world.

2. Memories of the Past

Did you know that traffic police were introduced in 1911 to help direct traffic on the road before being replaced by traffic lights in 1948? They wore wings and did it manually. You can see a life-size replica and control the wings at the exhibit. The "Memories" hall also has bus and taxi seats from the past with sound effects relevant to each mode of transportation and even a rickshaw the kids can climb on for pictures.

3. Tracking Transportation's Milestones

Continue walking down memory lane here as you read about the challenges and solutions of land transport after Singapore gained its independence. Look out for old bus tickets, Restricted Access discs, bus guides, and bus passes. You'll also see a model of a tunnel-boring machine that provided an opportunity to focus on commuter convenience in developing MRT stops in the heart of the city.

4. Land Transport Today & Tomorrow

The remaining sections of the gallery focus on educating visitors on the challenges and solutions facing land transport today and in the future. The Challenge Theatre gives visitors an opportunity to choose what to do for the future of land transport as it provides scenarios and the consequences of each choice. The race car seats are a tad big for kids but you can easily park the stroller alongside. Finally, get a peek of the high-tech future of land transport at the Visions and Aspirations section.

Visit www.lta.gov.sg/corp_info/lt_gallery.htm for more info.

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