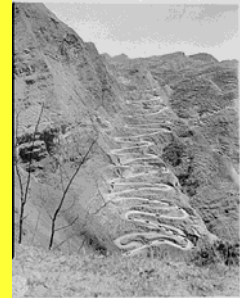


Out & About in Singapore
Light on Lotus Hill Tour
Tuesday, 9 March

“Light on the Lotus Hill” tour is based on Chan Chow Wah’s book documenting the life of Buddhist Venerable Pu Liang who was executed by the Japanese after the fall of Singapore in 1942. This venerable was the 10th Abbot of Shuang Lin Monastery and a supporter of China Relief Fund in Singapore during the Sino Japanese War. During the tour, conducted by the author, you will hear music from the 1930s and smell popular fragrance from the period as we find the answer to some mysteries:



*What was Venerable Pu Liang’s role in the anti Japanese movement?
 How did he become the only Buddhist abbot executed by the Japanese during the Sook Ching?
 Why did this history remain untold and almost forgotten for almost 60 years?*

Locations covered during the tour includes:

Ee Hoe Hean Club, Chinatown - Start at Ee Hoe Hean club, the Chinese millionaire’s club and the headquarters of China Relief Fund in South East Asia during the Sino Japanese War.



Shuang Lin Monastery – See the only 3 artifacts related to Venerable Pu Liang, hear about a major fund raising event on 28 May 1939, and experience the moments just before the Japanese arrived to arrest the abbot.

Jalan Besar Stadium (drive by) - we trace last moments of the abbot’s life by visiting the Jalan Besar stadium where he was detained followed by the Changi Beach where he was executed.



Great Southern Hotel – We trace the journeys of Nanyang Volunteer’s last days in Singapore before leaving for service on the Burma Road.

Meeting Point: Ee Hoe Hean Club at 43 Bt Pasoh Rd

Time: 9:30 am

Cost: \$35 CAS members/guests \$45 non members
 (includes guide & chartered bus fee)

Optional Vegetarian Lunch: \$15

(includes Q&A, and autograph session with author)

All participants get a free copy of “Light on the Lotus Hill” retailing at S\$25 with GST.

RSVP: secondvp@canadians.org.sg by 2 March

Tour Limited to 20 participants

Getting there: Outram MRT – cross New Bridge Road to Bt Pasoh Rd;
 Bus 2, 12, 33, 54, 63, 124, 143, 147, 174, 196
 Car: Park next to Buddha Tooth Temple; walk along Neil Road to Bt Pasoh Rd



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