

NATIONAL MENTORING SUMMIT 2019

“NEVER ALONE, BUILDING TOGETHER”

25 JANUARY 2019

**METROPOLITAN YMCA, VINE BALLROOM
60 STEVENS ROAD, S257854**

9:00 AM TO 6:00 PM
(REGISTRATION OPENS AT 08:30)

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EVENT SCHEDULE

- 08:30 REGISTRATION**
To be seated by 08:50
- 09:00 INTRODUCTION**
Opening Address by **Glenn Lim**,
Guest of Honour Address by **Ms Sim Ann**,
Senior Minister of State for Ministry of
Culture, Community and Youth and
Ministry of Communications and Information
- 09:20 KEYNOTE SESSION I**
“Mentoring for all”
Mr Tony LoRe
Presentation of Tokens of Appreciation
- 10:15 TEA BREAK**
- 10:45 KEYNOTE SESSION II**
“Mentoring, lessons learnt”
Mr Jason Wong
- 11:30 PANEL DISCUSSION I**
Mr Tony LoRe
Mr Jason Wong
Ms Louise J Tagliante
- 12:15 LUNCH**
- 14:00 MASTERCLASS**
*“Designing and Implementing a
Mentoring Framework”*
Mr Tony LoRe
- 16:30 TEA BREAK**
- 17:00 PANEL DISCUSSION II**
Dr Justin Lee
Dr Thang Leng Leng,
Mr Carlos Andres Monasterios,
- 17:45 CLOSING ADDRESS**
Mr Ho Siew Cheong

Welcome to

National Mentoring Summit 2019



ABOUT MENTORING ALLIANCE SINGAPORE

Mentoring Alliance is a ground-up initiative rallied around the cause of youth mentoring in Singapore. As of Jan 2019, the Alliance consists of 11 social service organisations, namely: Malay Youth Literary Association (4PM), Architects of Life (AOL), CARE Singapore, Lakeside Family Services (LFS), Metropolitan Young Men's Christian Association Singapore (MYMCA Singapore), REACH Community Services Society (RCSS), The Green Apple Project (TGAP), Youth Guidance Outreach Services (YGOS), Trybe Limited and Societus Limited. Not forgetting The Salvation Army.

The Alliance aims to promote a local mentoring movement, encouraging organisations and partners to foster positive youth development in the community. It hopes to expand its membership as well as partner base, with the purpose of collaborating on initiatives to further its cause, so that every youth will have access to a mentor in his/her life!

MA's objectives:

- (1) Develop a standardized mentoring framework for the purposes of programming, training, and outcome measures.
- (2) Co-organise mentoring-focused activities, like the regular CoP meetings and annual Mentoring Summit.
- (3) Ensure continuous engagement with community partners, corporates, and other stakeholders,

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ABOUT NATIONAL MENTORING SUMMIT 2019

This Mentoring Summit is a key initiative of the Mentoring Alliance, It is a platform to create awareness about mentoring, educate and motivate people and tally them to participate in the Mentoring Movement, and to make mentoring a lifestyle of investing and build our young people.

As the Summit provides the platform for the sharing of ideas and best practices, it helps practitioners keep current with trends and level up in skills, and programmes to be shaped for greater efficiency, effectiveness and impact.

Conversations initiate and connect ideas, and networks help to access resources to make ideas become reality.

The evolution into a national movement will take sometime, and to be successful, will require many more, and diverse stakeholders to progressively come onboard. The Summit is an excellent platform to collect these interested parties to journey together to co-create the movement.

Even as it is ground-up initiative, this Summit is put together also with the support and endorsement of several Government bodies, especially from MCCY. Ms Sim Ann, Senior Minister of State for Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth & Ministry of Communications and Information, has also agreed to grace the occasion and lend the Summit her support as Guest of Honour.

VISION



To see every **youth empowered** with a **mentor** to journey life with

MISSION



To **foster an inclusive mentoring culture** in Singapore and **promote mentoring** as a way of life through **continuous engagement** with the community

RECAP

NOV 2017



Organised first Mentoring CoP (Community of Practice).
Now a regular feature that shares knowledge and best practices with mentoring agencies.

FEB 2018



Formation of Mentoring Alliance SG (MA), a ground-up movement.

JUL 2018



Landmark MOU signing ceremony with 11 committed agencies.

JAN 2019



MA organises inaugural national Mentoring Summit, to coincide with International Mentoring Month in January.

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Mentoring Alliance Singapore



Glenn Lim

Chairman,

*2019 Mentoring Alliance Singapore
Steering Committee*

Greetings and Welcome!

It is our humble privilege to host you at our inaugural National Mentoring Summit 2019!

We hope you would not just benefit from the rich insights delivered by our esteemed speakers and panelists. But that you would be inspired to explore collaborating with the various stakeholders present in our midst, to embark on mentoring activities or projects. After all, we strongly believe and want to see “EVERY YOUTH EMPOWERED THROUGH MENTORING!”

The National Mentoring Summit is organised by MA (Mentoring Alliance Singapore) with the strong support from SG Cares movement. A ground-up initiative comprising various social service agencies who all believe in raising up the next generation through mentoring. With the strong support from government bodies like MCCY, MSF, NYC, CYGO, NVPC, and many other partners, we have grown over the past year and are seeking to co-create a mentoring movement in Singapore!

That's where you come in!

I invite you to join us in shaping the future of Singapore through mentoring ideas, initiatives, volunteering, or giving!

Please approach any of our helpers today, or mentoring partner agencies, to enquire more.

Or email us at contact@mentoringalliancesg.com

Meanwhile, I wish you a fruitful time at the NATIONAL MENTORING

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Organising Committee



Ho Siew Cheong

Chairman,

National Mentoring Summit 2019

Organising Committee

Welcome everyone!

The National Mentoring Summit is a key activity of the Mentoring Alliance, Singapore, which is in turn a ground-up initiative of several social service agencies, coming together to share knowledge and best practices, and collectively promote mentoring as a platform to influence lives for both our Youth and our Seniors.

We know mentoring helps people, so we want to do more of it, and we want to be better at it. Whether in the form of peer-mentoring at one end, or as intergenerational mentoring at the other end of the age spectrum, the bigger vision is to make mentoring a way of life, a national movement, and a step forward towards a more caring, kinder and compassionate Singapore.

The Summit brings together experts, practitioners, academics and people who are interested in helping others into a conversation, so we can share knowledge and exchange ideas how Singapore can take on such a transformational change.

We believe this inaugural Summit will generate the momentum to propel the Movement forward, and we would very please you are able to join us.

Have a pleasant and meaningful Summit!

OUR SPEAKERS



Mr Tony LoRe
CEO & Founder,
Youth Mentoring Connection
“Mentor to the Mentors”

Mr Tony LoRe is currently the CEO and founder of Youth Mentoring Connection (YMC), a youth service organisation that brings caring adults into the lives of “at-risk” youths in the Los Angeles area, serving over 600 youths each year. To date, since November 2000, YMC has served over 6000 youths.

Formerly a successful businessman, Tony eventually found his passion in working with young people. Thus, he sold his business and now dedicates all of his time and energy in connecting youths with mentors within their communities. He has conducted Rites of Passage, Healing Circles and various speciality offerings such as surfing and film making.

Tony’s approach blends “old wisdom” and practices with modern youth development theory to create robust structured programmes, having mentors and mentees returning for each other and transforming even the most troubled youths’ lives.

His methods are being replicated all over the world, with agencies from Singapore, China, Jamaica, Africa and Peru studying and applying his methodology.



Mr Jason Wong

Chairman,

*Focus on the Family
Board Director, Centre for Fathering
Colombo Plan Scholar*

Mr Jason Wong spent over 23 years in the Singapore Civil Service, having held positions such as the Deputy Director cum Chief of Staff of the Prisons Service, Chief Executive Officer of SCORE (Singapore Corporation of Rehabilitative Enterprises), and Senior Director working with at-risk children and youth at the Ministry of Social and Family Development.

Jason founded the Yellow Ribbon Project in 2004 and Dads for Life movement in 2009. Since leaving public service in 2013, he has been volunteering as a Board Chairman, at Focus on the Family and a Board Director at Centre for Fathering. He had sat on COMPASS (MOE Council) for 2 terms and is currently sitting on ACCORD (MINDEF Council).

Over the years, he had mentored many ex-prisoners, fathers, and young people. Jason is married with two children.

OUR PANELISTS



Dr Thang Leng Leng

Dr Thang is a socio-cultural anthropologist with research interests on aging, intergenerational approaches and relationships, gender and family.

She is known for her works relating to intergenerational approaches, and is the co-editor in chief of the Journal of Intergenerational Relationships (Taylor and Francis, USA).

She is currently Head of Department of Japanese Studies, and the Co-Director of Next Age Institute at the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, National University of Singapore.

Dr Thang is also active in community services, serving as member of Families for Life Council (MSF), and Chair of Fei Yue Family Service Centre, among others.

OUR PANELISTS



Carlos Andres Monasterios

Carlos Andres is a Hospitality and Tourism Management Graduate from Temasek Polytechnic, and one of the 12 members in Youth Advisory Group (YAG) of the National Committee on Prevention, Rehabilitation and Recidivism (NCPR).

As a child, Carlos Andres struggled in school and went through the unconventional route of exploring self identity through his association in anti-social activities. He had numerous brushes with the authority and went through various rehabilitation programmes.

Carlos Andres has managed to overcome those trouble period of growing up. Leaving those days behind, he remains unafraid of being vulnerable and accepting of his past in hopes of using those experiences to inspire other at-risk youths and advocate for a joint community effort to tackle youth social issues.



Louise J Tagliante

Louise is the founder and owner of Differentiate and its renowned mentoring programme, Protégé.

Her entrepreneurial approach to business is founded on more than 30 years corporate experience in the financial services sector, having worked both globally and regionally in senior leadership roles at organizations such as IBM Australia, Visa Worldwide and ABN Amro Asia Pacific. She created Protégé in 2013 to support young business women to find their own voice and ensure they have a 'seat at the table'.

In addition to being a leadership coach with organizations such as INSEAD and Harvard Business School, she was the first in Asia Pacific to become an accredited Coaching Supervisor.

Louise is a proud recipient of the 'Dr Marshall Goldsmith Achievement in Coaching Award', Top 100 Coaches 2018, awarded by World HRD Congress. Currently she serves as 1st Vice President on the AWARE Board, and was on the Executive Committee of the Financial Women's Association Singapore (FWA) from 2011-16 where she created its Advancing Women in Finance mentoring programme, winner of the AWARE New Initiative Award 2013.

OUR PANELISTS



Dr Justin Lee

Dr Lee is a Research Fellow at the Institute of Policy Studies where he has been tasked to develop the mentoring programme for research assistants.

His main interest is in understanding the needs of disadvantaged and vulnerable populations and he has embarked on a project to crowdsource social needs with community partners using a wiki platform.

He is also the Chairperson of ArtsWok Collaborative, a non-profit organisation engaged in arts-based community development projects that seeks to build the capacity of socially-engaged arts groups through training, research and advocacy.

Panel Moderators



Dr John K E Tan

Dr Tan is the founding president of Youth Work Association (Singapore) and also the Executive Director of Children-At-Risk Empowerment Association (CARE Singapore).

He is passionate about youth work and believes that mentoring is a powerful tool for positivity in the lives of young people.



Dr Roland Yeow

Dr Yeow has been involved in youth work since 2004. He is currently the Executive Director of Boys' Town and was previously a resident of Boys' Town from 1992 to 1994.

Having gone through his own journey of being mentored by various mentors, he truly sees the benefits of such important inventions that transformed many lives.

Roland holds a Doctorate in Management - Specialization: Organizational Learning, Development & Non-Profit Management and is also a graduate of the Harvard Business School Executive Education Program.

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