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Fact Sheet – Show Highlights and Synopsis

1. The NDP 2021 Show will centre on the **Singapore Spirit**, and adopt a story-telling approach to showcase our identity, resilience and can-do nature. These enduring attitudes of the Singapore Spirit will be illustrated through stories of Singaporeans from the past and present, to inspire Singaporeans to continue to dream big and overcome adversity like the generations before us did. Infused with elements of nostalgia as well as contemporary relevance, these carefully curated stories seek to appeal to all Singaporeans through an emotive and memorable experience, and rally us towards creating a better future together.

Key Highlights

2. Locally Produced Animated Films

This year's Show will feature fully animated films for the first time, to tell and connect stories that span across generations. These animated films will play a pivotal role in bridging the various acts of the Show, and evoke a sense of nostalgia by bringing historical moments and familiar local scenes from the past to life.

3. Designed with the Home Audience in Mind

This year's Show has been designed to allow Singaporeans to enjoy the NDP from home. A myriad of multimedia and television-exclusive special effects has been introduced to enhance the experience of home viewers. There will be augmented reality (AR) effects integrated in the Show for the first time, and will be exclusive for the home audience.

4. A Platform to Showcase the Local Talents

The NDP 2021 theme song, titled "The Road Ahead", will be performed by singers Linying, Sezairi Sezali, Shabir Tabare Alam and Shye-Anne Brown. In addition, there will be two other original NDP songs – "Breathing City" and "Spirits Anew", performed by Sezairi Sezali and Aisyah Aziz respectively.

Other local artistes will also be joining them to perform renditions of familiar pop songs and heart-warming local numbers. The audience can expect to see Inch Chua, Alemay Fernandez, The Freshman (Carrie Yeo and Chen Diya), Benjamin Kheng, Nick Zavior, and Yung Raja in the Show.

Show Synopsis

5. The Show will be hosted by Joakim Gomez, Eswari Gunasagar, Fauzie Laily, and Patricia Mok. The Show comprises four Acts:

Acts	Synopsis	Participants
Act One: Our Hopes and Aspirations	Act One opens with an animated film that will introduce six characters from the past and present, and their aspirations for the future, before transiting to the live performance at the Float. Amidst the colourful and kaleidoscopic scenes, the first performance will be a high energy rhapsody telling of the hopes and aspirations of our youths from different generations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Institute of Technical Education • National University of Singapore • Republic Polytechnic
Act Two: The Challenges We Face	Act Two will be a reflection of the challenges we have faced, and our pillars of support to fall back on in times of difficulty. The animated film will take us through the challenges and setbacks faced by the characters, adopting a contemplative tone, as we transit to the live performance. We will see how the characters are supported by their family and friends, with the act wrapping up on a warm and uplifting tone.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Singapore SOKA Association • Singapore Symphony Orchestra
Act Three: Our Strength from Within	Act Three will showcase our strength from within. Through the characters from the animated films, we will see how our previous generations have overcome their share of obstacles. Act Three will also feature familiar vernacular songs in celebration of our Singapore Spirit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peoples' Association • Movement for the Intellectually Disabled of Singapore (MINDS)
Act Four: Our Strength Together	<p>Act Four is an affirmation of our strength together and a renewed spirit as we take on the future as a nation. We will see the aspirations of ordinary Singaporeans, and the things they do for their fellow countrymen. Team Singapore athletes will take centre stage, followed by a performance of our NDP 2021 theme song that is integrated with a virtual dance performance by secondary school students.</p> <p>The Act will culminate in a grand finale, with all performers and spectators enjoying a medley of familiar national songs, reciting the pledge and</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team Singapore • Bedok Green Secondary School • Gan Eng Seng School • Juying Secondary School • Naval Base Secondary School • Sengkang Secondary School • Tampines Secondary School

	singing the national anthem, against the backdrop of a spectacular fireworks display.	
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