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### **Fact Sheet – Animators Involved in NDP 2021**

1. This year’s NDP will feature a slew of local animators involved in the NDP 2021 Show segment, music and lyric videos, and illustrations. This is part of our continued year-on-year effort to showcase the emerging and recognised local creative talents, who have come together to produce compelling content for our nation’s birthday.

#### ***Locally Produced Animated Films***

2. NDP 2021 Show will feature fully animated films for the first time, to tell and connect stories that span across generations. These animated films play a pivotal role in weaving together the various acts of the Show, and evoking a sense of nostalgia by bringing historical moments and familiar local scenes from the past to life. The animated films are produced by local animation studio Robot Playground Media, adopting a 2D animation style as the characters in the story traverses both past and present.

#### ***Community Involvement***

3. Besides the NDP 2021 Theme Song “The Road Ahead” animated by Zhao Wei Films and Finding Pictures, the two other new original NDP songs – “Breathing City” and “Spirits Anew” – are also brought to life through animation by local talents and partnerships with schools.

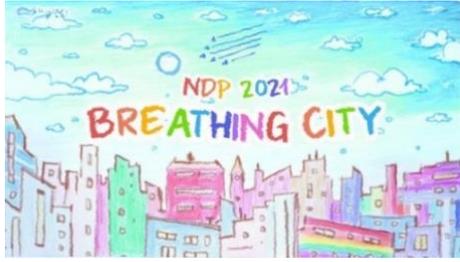


NDP 2021 Theme Song Music Video “The Road Ahead”

4. Produced by Zhuang Brothers with students from six participating schools<sup>1</sup>, the lyric video for “Breathing City” personifies the hopes and dreams of our youths through a colourful visual palette and the illustration of intergeneration of people growing a city together.

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<sup>1</sup> The six schools include CHIJ Saint Nicholas Girls’ School, Xinmin Secondary School, PCF Sparkletots Preschool @ Sembawang West Blk 789, Yishun Town Secondary School, Serangoon Secondary School, and Mee Toh School.



NDP 2021 Original Song Lyric Video “Breathing City”

5. The lyric video for “Spirits Anew” is animated by local visual artist Howie Kim, who seeks to visually allude to the theme of rising above adversity through a journey from the unknown bottom of the seas to the vast mesmerising skies in his animation.



NDP 2021 Original Song Lyric Video “Spirits Anew”

### ***Vivid Illustrations***

6. Chief Illustrator of NDP 2021 Lee Xin Li, also known as Pok Pok and Away, has produced vivid illustrations of his memories of Singapore, adapted from his installation “In Our Time” that was first exhibited at the 2018 Imaginarium: Into the Space of Time by the Singapore Art Museum. Showcasing Singapore’s multiple layers of history, architecture, culture and memories, Xin Li’s illustrations can be viewed around the Float @ Marina Bay and in the trains and stations during the National Day period.



Illustration by Lee Xin Li

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