



## Greetings Ladies and Gentlemen, welcome to the Second online publication of "U Connects".

We have established this platform where we connect with you, where we update you about the recent activities that had taken place and also about some basic survival tactics that would help in making your stay @ U Residences a memorable one. Without further ado, let's give a SHOUT OUT to the new naming of our blocks.....

# Blocks of Inspiration



Those of you at U Residence may have noticed the newly installed signage at the lift lobby leading to your respective blocks. This is just a start to the naming exercise where THM seeks to inspire you the Residents.

Historically, artists became famous for their unique style and attitude that they bring to the art world. These famous artists whom we have named our halls after, have been a great source of inspiration to many through their works of art.

In the same manner that these artists found inspiration to come up with exceptional pieces of art, each with a story to tell, we hope that our residents will similarly be inspired to do their best to excel personally and academically.

**We are renovating to enhance your experience at U Residence. Get ready for a new look in September...**



The helpdesk will be temporarily located at the Student Lounge to facilitate your needs during this renovation exercise.

An artist impression of the renovation

## Service Learning

### My Place Residents

We finally hosted our very 1st service learning brief! We had 54 residence turning up from our off campus hostel. They enjoyed the session and most embraced the Service Learning requirements well.

We also wish to congratulate 3 off campus residents who have willingly stepped up as the Student Resident Council member for the off campus activities. Many thanks to the senior residents at Lakeside who constantly stepped up and communicated with these new students on a personal level, embracing them and expanding the U Residence family.



### Tuition Classes by Faizell beukes boner

Post our SLP Leadership Workshop, a group of service mentors from different nationalities stood up and took the challenge of signing up to give 12 sessions of basic Maths and English tuition for the less fortunate kids from a low income community in Selangor every Saturday morning from 8.30am till 12pm. This tuition classes were put in place to help these kids that were neglected by the teachers at school due to their bad behavior or poor grades, but they seemed to bloom with just this little attention we were giving them. Hong Beng, Hui Jen, Andrew Chung, Durdana, Jeff Tyler, and Z-yin ...kuddos to you guys for stepping up.

Without a doubt, we had our challenges but overall we grew too, as we learned how to interact and to respond (not react) to their distractions. We strive to encourage them to pick up just one or two things on how to do their lessons better per session, and that was our goal. Skills and lessons we gained from this experience are simple and yet so worthwhile. As you hear their stories and how grateful they were for us to turn up for them, you know you have achieved a true sense of touching of their hearts from this experience. More importantly, we saw life through the eyes of another, and we have learned that this did not just help those kids to expand their vision but for us, we know that we connected with our hearts through this program.

Interested, do join us on Facebook, U Residence Mentors if you are keen to step up as well.



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## Newbies

**Catharina Tsen**

"I like staying in U Residence hostel because it's very convenient. I don't need to rush to class like others. Besides that I can buy midnight snacks from 7 Eleven since I always stay up late to study. Staying here really makes my life more comfortable. I also make friends with my housemates from different countries."

**Reynaldo Bunawan**

"U Residence is a nice place, though I wish we had cooking and washing machine facilities as well. However, the friends I made here through the events and service learning programs really made up for that. I love my friends @ U Residence. Thank you for the great times here and I am sure it will get better as we make more and more friends during our stay here."

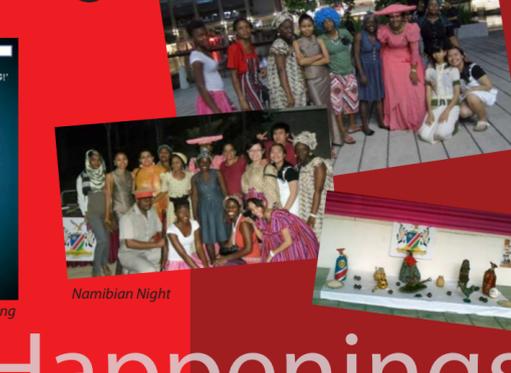
**Vinnie Wong**

"It's awesome!!! The people are cool yo! U Residence, U Rock!! Continue to rock on! People with different skin colors and country living under the same roof peacefully. U-Residence is just too cool. Loves!!!"

**Chan Chee Kiong**

"I can meet a lot of people. It is safe and secure. It is a very pleasant and enjoyable stay but the price is a little bit high."

## Events & Happenings



## Happenings

## Amenities @ U Residence

**Student Lounge**  
Our space to let the hair down, where residents meet, get to know each other, play games, party and of course not forgetting where they watch their early morning football games safe within our doors in the early hours of the morning.  
Operating Hours: weekdays 6am - 12am. weekends 10am - 12am.

**Bus Shuttle**  
Wawasan Sutera: Further down the road via the shuttle bus (or cabs) is the nearest Mall ..the haven for our residents over the weekend. Just take the bus costing RM1.50 and you're there in 10 mins flat.... and don't forget to take the last bus back by 8pm.....otherwise it's quite a walk. So hey, download the Bus Shuttle Schedule from the Student Portal.

**Health Service**  
Not well, minor injuries, ...head out to our Health Service centre located at Block C, Level 1, or call 017-2537735 (8am - 6pm), the medical hotline for assistance.

**Designated Taxi Stands**  
Taxi Touts...Don't be taken for a "ride"?  
Taxi drivers are required to use meter and those who don't must be reported to security. For metered taxis, call:  
Comfort Cab 03 8024 2727  
Sunlight Cab 03 9057 1121  
Public Cab 03 6259 2820

**Lost & Found**  
To locate your lost item, go to  
(i) Our security station  
(ii) THM office  
(iii) Or at Uni grounds ..proceed to Student Central.

## Getting Around..

**Kelana Jaya (start point)**

- Take the Wawasan Sutera bus from Taylor's to Sunway Pyramid
- At Sunway Pyramid, take the U623 Rapid KL to Kelana Jaya LRT station
- Note: The bus stops across the road. Take the flyover to get there.

**Petaling Street (China Town)**

Take the LRT from Kelana Jaya to Pasar Seni, which is at the beginning of China Town.

**Suria KLCC (Petronas Twin Towers)**

Take the LRT from Kelana Jaya to KLCC.  
Note: You can get to other malls like Pavilion through the underground tunnel located beyond Auntie Anne's and Cold Storage. You can also get to Bukit Bintang through the famed air-conditioned KLCC Bukit Bintang walkway get to get going through the main door of the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre, located near Aquaria KLCC. Ask the concierge at Suria KLCC for more information.



## Musings from the Residents

Greetings, everyone!

I am very excited to present you our second ever newsletter, by residents for residents. We have loads of upcoming events being held here, such as monthly block forums cum birthday bash and weekly trips to i-City and Skytrex. We have also started getting the wheels turning for our Student Resident Council, with floor leads getting on board as well.

We will also be conducting meetings regarding Service Learning from off campus, and we have had a major event involving the kids from Lembah Subang, a community we have been working very closely with since last year.

Also, I am very proud to announce that we have officially named our blocks! We are now called Warhol Hall, Klee Hall, Dali Hall, Miro Hall, Steiner Hall, Mondrian Hall and Matisse Hall, all named after famous artists. We will also be having our very first fire drill, a very important component in ensuring the safety of our residents. So exciting!

Looking forward to your participation in all our events.

Sapna

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