What's

Commons Coffee House

Milkshake promotion



Harpo's Colombo Fort Café

Happy Hour Cocktails, beer and pizza deals: Monday to Friday: 5pm-7pm: 2 large pizzas plus a Sanaria: Saturday and Sunday

Go Local - Sri Lankan hot favorites monthly promotion

Sofia Colombo City Hotel February 14

Lovers' Paradise - Valentine's Day Candlelight Dinner (Romantic decoration, 5 course set menu. butler service, romantic music and giveaway); (Reservation: +94 77 298 0599, +94 764 108 901)



Yee Sang – Traditional Yee Sang, a

and flavorful sauces; Shang Palace,

Chinese New Year Sauce Gift Box -

Celebrate the season with the rich,

indulgence; Shang Palace Little Gems,

authentic flavors of Shang Palace

Chinese New Year Nian Gao Fish

Hamper - This premium hamper

Gao with fresh fish, offering an

Palace, Little Gems, Central Café

indulgent treat perfect for gifting

or sharing with loved ones; Shang

Chinese New Year Goodies; Central

Palace, 12noon-3pm, 6.30pm-11pm

Valentine's Day Goodies; Little Gems,

Valentine's High Tea; Sapphyr Lounge,

Café & Little Gems; 10am-10pm, Shang

combines the rich tradition of Nian

perfect for gifting or personal

symbol of wealth and good fortune.

Served with premium fish, vegetables

Shangri-La Colombo

Till February 3

Level 3

Central Café

February 7-16

Level

Level 2; 8:30am to 8:30pm

February 14

2nd pizza

takeaway; all day

Valentine's Day Dinner Buffet; Central Restaurant, Level 3; 6.30pm-10.30pm Valentine's Day Set Menu; Capital Bar and Grill, Level 2; 6.30pm-10.30pm 2; 3pm-5pm

Cinnamon Grand Colombo

February 14

6.30pm-11pm

3pm-6pm

February 19 - 21

Fashion Week; Breeze Bar

Harpo's Pizza and Pasta

wings and soft drink for free

Harpo's Thin crust woodfired

(9") pizza & Get 500 off; Monday,

Weekend deal - Buy any two Large

Harpo's Pizza (12") Get 50% off on

Thursday, Dine in, delivery and

Gigantic 19" party pizza deal; buy

any gigantic pizza and get 1 chicken

Only 22" Square Pizza Deal – buy any

Square Pizza 22" get 1 Garlic bread

+ chicken wings + Mega soft drink;

Weekday deal – Buy any two Regular

Cheers to the Ladies - A cocktail on

us; Wednesday; Cheers; 7pm-8pm

Valentine's Promotions; Lagoon;

Valentine's Promotions; London Grill,

Cheers, Plates, Breeze Bar; 7pm-11pm

Valentine's Promotions; Tea Lounge;

February 14 – 24

Sichuan food promotion - by renowned Chef Peng; Shang Palace,

February 14 - 16, February 22 - 23 Sichuan food promotion - Special set menu - available for dinner

February 15 - 23

Sichuan food promotion - Add-On menu – available for lunch

February 17 - 21

Sichuan food promotion - Add-On menu – available for dinner



Cinnamon Lakeside Colombo Endless Dim sum lunch: Weekends:

Lona Fena: 12noon-3pm Seafood buffet; Thursdays to Sundays; Dining Room; 7pm – 11pm Night Owl buffet; Fridays and Saturdays; Dining Room; 12.30am–4am Weekend High Tea buffet; Saturday and Sunday; Lobby Lounge; 3.30pm-5.30pm Dim Sum and Two: Weekdays: Long Feng; 12noon – 3pm

February 14

Valentines on the boat; 8 Degrees; 7pm – 11pm Valentine's Day Dinner; Dining Room; 7pm-11pm

February 15 and 16

Special Valentines High Tea; Lobby Lounge; 3.30pm-5.30pm



ITC Ratnadina

12 noon-3pm

English High Tea buffet (with a variety of sweets, savouries, tea, coffee, iced tea, iced coffee) with the backdrop of the Indian Ocean; Ahasa (27th floor); Daily: 3pm-5pm Weekend brunch buffet; Indian Ocean Pavilion; Saturdays, Sundays;

Shoulders by Harpos

Lunch and dinner menu, cocktail bar with signature cocktails; 11am-11pm, Monday to Thursday, Till midnight, Friday to Sunday Happy Hour; Daily; 5pm-7pm Beer deal; whole day Gin Sunday and Jazz Sunday Shoulders vibe entertainment;

Wednesday to Saturday; 7pm onwards



The Thinnai February 14

Valentine's Dinner (set menu); 7.30pm-9.30pm

February 16

Chinese Food Night - authentic Chinese cuisine with sparkling lemon iced tea; 7.30pm-9.30pm

February 23

Street Food Night with sparkling lemon iced tea - experience the vibrant flavours of street food in a lively setting, while discovering a diverse array of delicious street-style dishes; 7.30pm-9.30pm

Cinnamon Red Colombo February 1–28

Fourth person dines free dinner; Daily; Flavoured; 7pm-10pm Fifth person dines free dinner; Weekends; Flavoured; 3.30pm-5.30pm High Tea platter; Weekdays; Flavoured; 3.30pm-5.30pm

February 14

Lovely Red Valentine's Day dinner buffet; Flavoured; 7pm-11pm Kiss on the Sky (5 course couple menu); Cloud Red; 7pm-12 midnight



Lords Restaurant Complex, Negombo

Live Music; Daily Live saxophone jazz; The Batsman Outlet: 5pm-9pm New breakfast and lunch menu (Poke bowls, English breakfast, Sri Lankan breakfast, Continental breakfast, pancakes, tacos, flat breads, burgers, loaded fries, paninis, Sri Lankan curry; 8am-5pm

Dinner; 5pm-11pm Sunset sax happy hour – buy one cocktail, get one free; 5pm-6pm



The Bayleaf February 1-28

Authentic Italian Specials and Harpo's Pizza menu; Daily; 11am-11pm, Friday - Sunday: till midniaht

Pasta, grills and specials (reservations: +94 112 695 920)

Introducing Colombo's first Piano Bar - piano, live entertainment; Thursday

- Saturday; 8pm-10pm DJ Music; Wednesday - Saturday; 10pm onwards

Special offers; Daily; 5pm-7pm New Tapas bar menu – signature



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Art and Music

Art

Till February 6

Nihal Fernando: Journey and Legacy (Exploring Connections through Shared Perspectives

An exhibition of photographs by Nihal Fernando and exhibits by 15 contemporary artists, sculptors, and photographers who have been inspired by him. Barefoot Art Gallery



Till February 6

The Dance of a Water Garden

Aiantha Ranaweera's exhibition uses Sri Lankan temple murals as inspiration to explore the complex interplay between political power and the lives of Sri Lankans post-independence. Paradise Road Gallery



Till February 13

Discovery of Histories

Jagath Weerasinghe is pivotal to contemporary Sri Lankan art and has been a significant driving force in its development since the early 1990s. Weerasinghe showcases a gradual and significant evolution in his artistic practice over the past four

decades. From his earlier critique of Sri Lanka's ethno-nationalism, this new body of work explores the broader. increasingly fragmented global political landscape.

Paradise Road Saskia Fernando Gallery (PRSFG)



February 16 Kala Pola

Sri Lanka's annual open air art fair returns for the 32nd year with a vibrant collection of paintings, sculptures, and various forms of art. Ananda Coomaraswamy Mawatha (Green Path), Colombo 7. 8am-8pm



Till February 23

Māra

Māra, a figure from Buddhist and Hindu traditions, has long symbolised the internal struggles that hinder spiritual and personal growth—embodying obstacles like fear, desire, and doubt. In this latest body of work Kingsley Gunatillake reinterprets the mythology of Māra, transcending its traditional role as an antagonist to enlightenment. Paradise Road Saskia Fernando Gallery (PRSEG)



Till April Remnants

Artist Asela Abeywardane's carves out the beauty of the beauty of a lost world, a lost past of her childhood, her ancestral land of four generations, which was her first canvass to the vastness of nature and the beauty of her surroundings. Galle Fort Art Gallery



Till May **Furniture by the Geoffrey Bawa** Practice

An exhibition curated by Aparna Rao and Channa Daswatte. Alongside architecture, Geoffrey Bawa's practice issued a number of furniture designs in response to the social, economic. environmental, and cultural circumstances of the time. The Bawa Space, Colombo 7



Music

February 8 **CMSC Concert at Galle Literary Festival**

Principal members of the Chamber Music Society of Colombo, led by Lakshman Joseph-de Saram, perform an program of pieces including Sergey Rachmaninoff's seldom heard but beautiful string quartets. Venue: Dutch Reformed Church, Time: 6pm-6.45pm Join Lakshman Joseph-de Saram for a conversation about the CMSC's varied

2024 programming and musical inspiration with Rahul Jacob at Amangalla after the concert. Time: 7pm-7.45pm. Tickets: Rs.8,000



February 14 **Beyond Love**

An evening of sensational music by Samitha Mudunkotuwa. Sashika Nisansala, Suneera Sumanga backed by Nalaka Sajee and Grade 14. Venue: Bishops College Auditorium. Time: 6.30pm. Tickets: Rs.8,000, Rs.6,000,

Rs.4,000, Rs.3,000



February 16 **Memories of Evergreen Icons**

A musical show paying tribute to legendary singers Jim Reeves, Frank Sinatra, Elvis Presley, Rickey Nelson, Louis Armstrong, Don Williams, Michael Jackson, Tina Turner, Olivia Newton John, Whitney Houston and more performed by Mariazelle, Rajitha, Radika, Clifford Richards, Monique and



Damayantha. Music by Lunu Dehi band. Venue: Bishops College Auditorium. Time: 7pm. Tickets: Rs.7,500, Rs.6,000, Rs.5,000, Rs.4,000, Rs.1,500

February 16 **Tribute Recital**

A tribute to the late Sri Lankan-British cellist, Rohan de Saram, who was one of the most influential cellists in his day. Ruben Jeyasundaram Johann Pieris, Lakshman Joseph-de Saraam, Sulara Nanayakkara and Avanti Perera will perform. Venue: Goethe-Institut Hall.



February 28 **Music for The Little Hearts**

A concert of Tamil cinema retro hits with a touch of Bollywood and Sri Lankan hits. Featuring Chandru, Prakash, Tanu and Prashanthini and music by Soundarie David Rodrigo.

Venue: Bishops College Auditorium Time: 6 30nm Tickets: Rs. 25,000, Rs.15,000, Rs.10,000, Rs.5,000, Rs.1,000



February 28 **The Decades Party**

A celebration of music, style and vibes through the ages. Groove to the beats by top DJ's including Bonnie, Everton, Kosala, Kappa and Dhanushka spinning legendary hits of the 70's, 80's, 90's and 2000's

Venue: Taj Grand Marquee. Time: 8pm. Tickets: Rs.5,000



Festivals

February 4
Feast of Basilica of Our
Lady of Lanka, Tewatte
Coinciding with the
Independence Day of the
Island, the feast is on the 4th.
Families journey from far and
near to seek blessings. The
Vespers is on 3rd at 6pm.



February 11 and 12 Navam Perahera
The most colorful Buddhist cultural pageant held in Colombo, an event that truly showcases the richness of our traditions. Organized by the Gangaramaya Temple, the Perahera features majestic processions, dynamic cultural performances, and profound spiritual blessings.



February 18 – March 12

Sri Muthumariamman Kovil
Ther

The grand celebration of Sri Muthumariamman temple in Matale, begins with the kodiyetram (flag hoisting) on the 18th, drawing devotees from far and near to take part in the rituals. The annual festival concludes with ther (chariot procession) on March 12th.



February 26
Maha Shivarathri
The annual celebration
dedicated to honoring the
Hindu God Shiva involves
a day of fasting and an allnight vigil. Devotees actively
engage in ritual worship,
meditation, and fasting to
earn the divine blessings of
Lord Shiva



Till May

Pilgrimage to Sri Pada
(Adam's Peak)

Sri Pada is a revered pilgrimage site that holds significant importance for followers of four major religions:
Buddhism, Hinduism,
Christianity, and Islam. Its sacredness transcends cultural and religious boundaries, making it a meaningful destination for many devotees.



Drama and **Theatre**

February 8 Nari Bena Samaga Jasaya Saha Lenchina

Written and directed by Dayananda Gunawardena and featuring a talented lineup of popular artists, this production masterfully blends two captivating dramas, showcasing an entertaining take on classic tales rooted in rich folk traditions. Venue: Elphinstone Theater, Colombo 10. Time: 3.30pm, 6.45pm



February 13 – 16 Love Letters – A Valentine's Celebration

A light and sensitive romantic comedy play by Nadira and Mohamed Adamaly featuring Mohamad as Andy and Tracy Holsinger as Melissa. Directed by Nafeesa and produced by Nadira and Mohamed Adamaly. Venue: Lionel Wendt, Colombo 7. Time: 7.30pm. Tickets: Rs.5,500, Rs.4,000, Rs.3,000, Rs.2,000 and Rs.1,200



February 21 Hunuwataye Kathawa

Henry Jayasena's play is based on the Caucasian Chalk Circle by Bertolt Brecht. The play is about a queen, her son and the maid who raises the prince.

Venue: Tower Theater, Colombo 10. Time: 8.15am. 11am



February 23 Sinhabahu

A renowned play by Prof Ediriweera Sarachchandra that is based on the legend King Sinhabahu, the son of a lion and a royal princess Suppa Devi. Venue: Elphinstone Theater, Colombo 10. Time: 3.30pm, 6.45pm



Sports

Cricket



Australia tour of Sri Lanka January 29 – February 2

1st Test; Galle; 10am
February 6 – 10
2nd Test; Galle; 10am
February 12
1st ODI; Colombo; 9.30am

February 14 2nd ODI: Colombo: 9.30am Big Match

Jaffna College and St Patrick's College

February 8 (Big Match); St Patrick's College February 27, 28 and March 1 (Three-day matches); St Patrick's College







Jaffna Central College vs St John's College

February 27, 28 and March 1 (Three-day matches); St John's College, Jaffna April 5 (One day Match); Central College



March 6, 7, 8 (Three-day matches); SSC March 15 (One day match); SSC













