## Outing to Melaka with Dinner and evening show 25 Jan '14

**Come and enjoy dinner** in a historical setting with a unique and entertaining show. The **Malaysian Danish Business Council** invites you and your family to come experience historical Melaka first hand. Savor the sights, scents and sounds of **historical Jonker street**, buy inexpensive knickknacks and sample the delicious local drinks and treats from street vendors.

On arrival in Melaka, you have free time to see the historic buildings and do shopping on your own while getting in the mood to learn more about history.

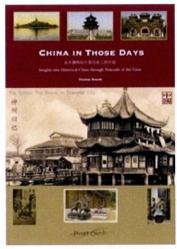


Then we gather for the dinner and evening show (in English) at the charming "Bistro 1673", housed in the oldest building on Jonker Street.

Our speaker of the evening is **Thomas Brandt**, GM of the German Chamber of Commerce and Author of the book "China in Those Days".

The book illustrates early Chinese life through more than 1.600 postcard images from what is probably the largest collection of images on old China and Chinese overseas.

The historical picture journey spans the late 1890s into the first decades of the 20th century, an era when it was a privilege to send and receive postcards from exotic Asia. Thomas will entertain us during the dinner, showing many picturesque postcards and tell us a lot of interesting facts and anecdotes on the history of the overseas Chinese, in Melaka and elsewhere around the world.



You can join the event in one of two ways. Drive yourself and spend the day as you please, hooking up with the other dinner guests at 17:30 OR you can join us in KL and take a regular scheduled bus to Melaka.

### **Self-Drive** (**price RM 100** payable in cash at the dinner)

- 17:30 Gather at Bistro 1673 on Jonker street drinks
- 18:00 Commence dinner and 2x30 minutes show
- 20:30 End of dinner show

### With Transport (price RM 125 in cash at the dinner + you pay bus directly)

- 13:00 Departure KL Terminal Bersepadu Selatan by Transnasional Bus
- 14:45 ETA Melaka Sentral bus to Jonker Street for free time
- 17:30 Gather at "Bistro 1673" for registration & optional cocktails
- 18:00 Commence dinner and 2x30 minutes show
- 20:30 Leave for Melaka Sentral bus station
- 22:45 Arrival KL Terminal Bersepadu Selatan

The dinner includes a starter and main course followed by desert served with

# Non-binding Registration Dinner and Evening Show in Melaka Sat 25 January 2014

Name(s)		
Number of participants	f.	
Contact number		
Email		
Food allergies		
Self-drive OR bus		
(Venue: Bistro Year 1673. 18 Jalan Hang	j Jebat (Jonker Street	t) 75200 Mela

### **RSVP by 13 January 2014 please**

This is a non-binding registration. Organizer will revert by 17 January to inform whether we have reached the minimum number of participants to cover speaker fee etc.

For questions, please contact:

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More info on the evening speaker is available at <a href="https://www.prismnet.com/goasia">www.prismnet.com/goasia</a>

#### **About historical Melaka**

Melaka (Malacca) has a colorful history as a melting pot. The Sultanate was formed in 1400. As a bustling entrepôt, Malacca emerged as a center for Islamic learning, dissemination and development of the Malay language. The famous Chinese explorer, *Admiral Zheng He* came to Melaka in 1405 and used it as his base for South East Asian exploration and trade.



(Replica of Sultanate palace)



In 1459, the Mansur Shah of Malacca married *Princess Hang Li Po* from Ming Dynasty China. She travelled with an entourage of 500 ministers, courtiers and learned people who formed the first wave of Chinese immigration in Malaya. The descendants of their subsequent intermarriages with the

indigenous people became known as Peranakans.

(Princess Hang Li Po)

The Portuguese settled in 1511, promptly building the "A Formosa" fort. The gate house "Porta de Santiago" is the earliest colonial building in Asia still standing.



("Porta de Santiago")



The Dutch arrived in 1641 and while interrupted by British rule under the Napoleonic wars, the Dutch ruled Melaka until being permanently displaced by the British in 1825.

The Dutch build the iconic "Christ Church" in 1753 and it is arguably the most famous symbol of Melaka today.

("Christ Church")

During British Malaya, the 2<sup>nd</sup> wave of Chinese immigration took place in the mid 1800's. Apart from Japanese occupation 1942-46, the British ruled Melaka until independence, or *Merdeka*, in 1957.

