Congratulations to Mr Lu Shuai, Ms Lynn Chan Lingyi and Mr Pudupadi Balachander Rajesh. They have won $200 Kinokuniya vouchers each for participating in the 2017 Alumni Survey. The three lucky draw winners have been contacted by email.

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The AlumNUS – Cover Story

The Spirit of Service

NUS has always strived to be more than just a quality higher education provider and research-intensive institution – it also has a long and storied history of service. Read about how the NUS community has been active in their efforts to uplift the lives of others and contribute their skills to the nation.

• Read your copy online now!

SCALE

Lifelong Learning Initiative for NUS Alumni

Modules for Semester 2 AY2017/18 are open for application from 2 – 31 October. NUS will be offering more than 80 modules (tuition fee is waived) from various faculties. This initiative for NUS alumni is administered by the NUS School of Continuing and Lifelong Education (SCALE).

• Apply here
NUS News

Committed to Service

The NUS Day of Service returned for its second edition on 9 September, which saw 2,000 NUS students, alumni and staff participate in a slew of community service programmes across Singapore and overseas, touching the lives of more than 5,000 beneficiaries.

U@live: Balancing Internet Democracy with Greater Accountability (22 November)

Mr Dan Shefet is the founder of the Association for Accountability and Internet Democracy. On the use of the internet, he asks: should we sit back and say “that’s just the way it is”, or do we come together to find a workable solution to what is clearly a scourge? Whose responsibility is it to protect us against hate speech, defamation, denigration, harassment and terror?

NUS Research

Build Social Skills in Shy Kids

A new study by Assistant Professor Cheung Hoi Shan suggests that teaching your shy child social communication skills is the key to helping your child make more friends. Examples of social communication skills include being able to recognise non-verbal cues such as when others are upset, making eye contact, and the ability to adapt and communicate based on the situation and audience.

• Register here
Rewriting the Rules of ‘Goodbye’

Ms Angjolie Mei (Arts and Social Sciences ’02), a funeral celebrant, explains why it is “not about adding days to your life, but life to your days”. She has already planned her own funeral down to the colour of her nails (red) and dress (a lime-green cheongsam).

Yugpurush: Mahatma Na Mahatma (15 November)

Yugpurush is a theatrical performance about the untold story of two legends of Indian history: Mahatma Gandhi and his spiritual mentor, Shrimad Rajchandraji. The actors and production team from the Shrimad Rajchandra Mission, Dharampur is currently on their Singapore tour.
• Register [here](#)

Entrepreneurship

On-Demand Healthcare For All

NUS alumni co-founded Jaga-Me, an on-demand platform that matches caregivers to registered nurses, on the premise of making healthcare more personal and easily accessible by the masses. The startup recruited six interns from the NUS Overseas Colleges programme – and the interns have truly exceeded expectations!

• Learn [more](#)

NUS Giving

A Potato, a Typewriter, a Letter: a Donor's Story

He was one of nine children and his parents could not afford to pay for his school books, nor could they provide him with tiffin money. So, Mr Lee Kok Wah (Arts and Social Sciences '69) would borrow his classmates' books and his father would laboriously copy them out by candlelight on a typewriter.

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Multiple Languages, New Worldviews

Arabic, Danish, Hindi, Russian, Turkish... Year 3 NUS Arts and Social Sciences student Darren Mak currently understands some 14 languages and he is not stopping in his quest to pick up even more. He sees it as a common thread that binds humanity. “When we learn languages, we not only learn the way they are used but also cultures and, subtly, worldviews as well,” he said.

• Read story

NUS is Asia’s Best

NUS is 22nd in the world in the latest Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2018, making this its best performance since the Rankings began in 2004. The University also continues to occupy the top position in Asia, marking its third consecutive year as Asia’s best.

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Postgraduate Fair
NUS Business School

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The NOC Connection
NUS Enterprise

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SoundBites: Colours of the Winds
Yong Siew Toh Conservatory of Music

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Pre-Concert Sharing Session
Alumni Concerts: A Dream of 2 Worlds
@ Shaw Foundation Alumni House

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U@live featuring Mr Peter Ho
@ Shaw Foundation Alumni House

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Movies on the House: Fantastic Beasts (PG13)
@ Shaw Foundation Alumni House

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@ Shaw Foundation Alumni House

November

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Yugpurush: Mahatma Na Mahatma
@ Shaw Foundation Alumni House

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Thirsty Thursdays
@ SEAR

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Identifying Credit Risk Using Machine Learning
Data Analytics Consulting Centre

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U@live featuring Mr Dan Shefet
@ Shaw Foundation Alumni House

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Junior Recitals: Percussion
Yong Siew Toh Conservatory of Music

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Movies on the House: Logan (M18)
@ Shaw Foundation Alumni House

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