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Museum tours, heritage walks to mark Battle of Singapore anniversary

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SINGAPORE: A series of activities such as museum tours and heritage walks, will be held to mark the 74th anniversary of the Battle of Singapore this year. Organised by the National Heritage Board, these will take place over two weeks, from Feb 12 to Feb 28.

Among the highlights is a guided tour called the Battle of Pasir Panjang, which will focus on the World War II history of the area. It will trace the march of the Japanese imperial forces and the 1st Malay Regiment led by Lieutenant Adnan Saidi.

The tour will be led by war veterans from the SAF Veterans League and university students from the Nanyang Technological University Heritage Club and also guides from National University of Singapore (NUS) History Society.

NUS History Society's director for External Events Lim Natasha Ann, said: "For this tour, really we want the public to know more about the battle of Pasir Panjang and the battle for Singapore, because I feel like a lot of our history isn't really made known to a lot of the public and the efforts of the Malay regiment especially should be known."

Another guided tour will take visitors through the World War II section of the History Gallery at the National Museum of Singapore. The tour will explore life during Japanese-occupied Singapore and the war history of the nation.

More information on all the activities is available on the Museum Roundtable website.

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