## DIGITAL INCLUSION FESTIVAL

Organised by the Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA), the Digital Inclusion Festival provides low-income households, PWDs and senior citizens with an opportunity to embrace technology, to discover, learn and build confidence in using technology in their daily lives through fun and engaging activities. It brings together stakeholders from 3P sectors to share insights and recommendations on digital inclusivity, and to promote collaboration opportunities.

2       There is something for everyone at the three-day festival, with activities including workshops focused on equipping participants with basic digital skills, accessibility workshops for those with mobility concerns and special needs, and learning spaces to educate visitors on commonly used mobile applications and services, as well as technology showcases and interactive experiences.

3       The Digital Inclusion Festival will be held from 26 to 28 July, 10am to 6pm, at the Lifelong Learning Institute.

**Event Highlights**

**IPS-IMDA Digital Inclusion Symposium**

4       Co-organised by the Institute of Policy Studies (IPS) and IMDA, the symposium brings policymakers, corporates, academics and non-profit organisations, who have been actively promoting digital inclusion and readiness. Experts share insights and recommendations on topics ranging from the role of universal design, website governance, assistive technology, corporate strategies in the private sector to discussing the role of 3Ps (policy, partnerships and products) in a digitally-ready community and society.

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| Date | : | 26 July 2019, Friday |
| Time | : | 9.00am to 5.00pm |
| For more info | : | http://lkyspp.nus.edu.sg/ips/events/details/ips-imda-digital-inclusion-symposium |

**Enable IT Forum 2019**

5       Themed 'Enriching Lives Through Accessibility', the Enable IT Forum 2019 shares how Infocomm and Assistive Technology (IT/AT) can improve the lives of senior citizens and person with disabilities (PWDs). The forum will include a segment where the PWDs, caregivers and industry experts will share inspirational stories on transforming lives through adoption of IT/AT.

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| Date | : | 27 July 2019, Saturday |
| Time | : | 9.30am to 12.30pm |
| For more info | : | https://www2.imda.gov.sg/news-and-events/our-signature-events/Digital-Inclusion-Festival//enable-IT-Forum |

**Exhibition Zones**

6       The festival will include an exhibition area curated with digital showcases and interactive experiences. There are six zones - Government, Training, E-Payment, Lifestyle, Accessibility and Play. At Touch & Play, an area located within the Play zone, visitors who have never been to Liverpool can view a VR showcase of the Anfield stadium or use a 3D pen to customise and print their own souvenirs. The Lifestyle zone will showcase products and services from companies such as Toggle and Grab to familiarise seniors on the usage and its benefits. At the E-payment zone, visitors can put their skills to test by purchasing a snack at a discounted rate.

7       Other activities include the hourly Tech Tutorials to teach seniors on the commonly-used government apps such as MyEnv, MyCPF, MyTransport.sg, SingPass Mobile, Healthy 365, and NLB. Engineering Good, a non-profit organisation will also conduct a hands-on workshop titled Hack-a-Toy, to teach participants to build low-cost assistive switches for children with disabilities. Switches created at the festival will be donated to special schools and paired with commercially available toys.

**Smart Nation Breakfast for Merdeka Generation**

In line with the Government's efforts to thank the Merdeka Generation for their contributions to nation building, the Smart Nation and Digital Government Office will be honouring seniors born on or before 1 December 1959 with a special breakfast spread. At the breakfast, seniors will learn about the Smart Nation initiatives and how they can benefit from technology, stay connected and enjoy their digital journey. The event will be hosted by Dr. Vivian Balakrishnan, Minister-in-charge of the Smart Nation Initiative.

Date        :    28 July 2019, Sunday
Time        :    10am to 2pm

**IMDA's Digital Clinics**

9       The IMDA's Digital Clinics are set up to provide one-on-one assistance to anyone who has queries on how to use their mobile devices. Participants, guided by volunteers, can get basic digital assistance such as connecting to Wi-Fi hotspots, using mobile applications or personalising accessibility tools on their mobile devices. Participants can walk-in and be attended on a first-come, first-served basis. The Digital Clinics cater to both iOS and Android device users.

**Hourly Tech Tutorials for Seniors**

10      The Tech Tutorials for seniors aims to help them acquire foundational digital skills, to help them understand how to apply technology to their daily lives to increase productivity and equip them with the knowledge to protect themselves from online threats.  Participants will also need to download the app(s) on their mobile devices before attending the tutorials. Seniors who require assistance will need to arrive 15 minutes before the session. Seats are limited and on a first-come, first-served basis.

 Tech Tutorials* are easy to follow and are completely free.

| TIME | 26 JULY, FRIDAY | 27 JULY, SATURDAY | 28 JULY, SUNDAY |
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| 10.00am | **Toggle** | **Fave** | **Healthy 365** |
| 11.00am | **NETSPay** | **MyCPF** | **Zaobao** [C] |
| 12.00pm | **Wireless@SG** | **TOGGLE** | **GRAB (Payment)** |
| 1.00pm | **GRAB (Transport** | **MyTransport.sg** [E] | **SingPass Mobile** [E] |
| 2.00pm | **Cyber Security – Are You Forgetting Something?** | **Be Safe, Be Smart, Be Kind with Marcus Jianbin and Violet Fenying** [C] | **Be Safe, Be Smart, Be Kind with Getai Stars Hao Hao and Lee Pei Fen** [C] |
| 3.00pm | **iOS Features for Low Vision** | **Swift Coding** | **Creating e-Book** |
| 4.00pm | **Health Buddy** | **NLB Mobile** | **Chope** |

| 5.00pm | **The Straits Times** [E] | **MyENV** | **Findjobs** |

*Tutorials are in English and Mandarin unless stated otherwise.

[E] **Available in English only**      [C] **Available in Chinese only**

**Coding for Kids**

11      The Coding for Kids workshops target school-going children and teenagers aged 7 to 16 years old from low-income families. Kids at the lower primary level (ages 7 to 9) will learn how to create their own games, complete with character controls, high scoring matrices and other exciting elements. Children at the upper primary level (ages 10 to 12) will find out how to construct and programme their own burglar alarm using craft and conductible materials. Teenagers (ages 13 to 16) will discover how to create a unique chatbot using user inputs and a simple logic, to converse with humans.

**Accessibility Workshops**

12      A series of accessibility workshops will be conducted over three days, for participants to learn how accessibility features from built in mainstream products could empower people with visual, hearing, physical and neurodiversity disabilities to lead purposeful and productive lives at work and at play. The workshops will be conducted on both iOS and Microsoft platforms. Automate multiple steps using iOS platform's Shortcuts app as well as Microsoft accessibility tools customised for the various disability types will be shared.

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