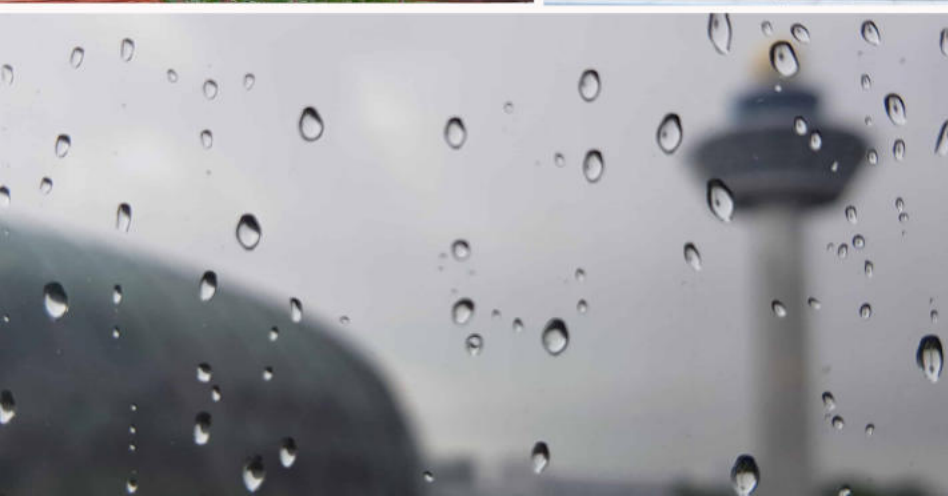




SINGAPORE, SEEN

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HELLO.

As Singapore turns 60, our gaze naturally drifts to the grand gestures — fireworks, parades, stirring speeches. But beyond these milestones, something quieter and just as moving unfolds each day: a busker outside a hawker centre, workers in transit on the MRT, bird-lovers gathered near a market on a weekday evening.

Singapore, Seen was born from a desire to honour these overlooked rhythms — the fleeting, everyday moments that shape the soul of our nation.

The book begins with glimpses of daily life: people at work, at rest, in motion. It then moves through the quiet, uncertain days of the COVID-19 period — a time that redefined how we lived, connected, and endured.

From there, we emerge into celebration, with a vibrant chapter of National Day Parades across the years — all contributed by my photography mentor, Hilarion Goh, whose guidance I've sought for over two decades. I'm deeply grateful for his generosity, insight, and encouragement.

Most of the images in this book were taken on mobile phones — spontaneous, unfiltered, real. Some frames may be imperfect, but they hold what I value most: a trace of something fleeting and true. I'm not a professional photographer — just someone drawn to stories, trying to catch them before they slip away.

This book invites you to see Singapore not just through her icons, but through her people. May you find reflections of your own story — and the quiet beauty in each ordinary day.

— *Bei*



To the people of Singapore—

whose resilience, warmth, and spirit have shaped a vibrant nation.
May these images honour our shared journey, celebrate our everyday moments,
and inspire pride as we mark 60 years of unity, progress, and hope.

Happy 60th Birthday, Singapore.





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City in Transit.

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The city exhales — in footsteps, wheels, and waiting lights.



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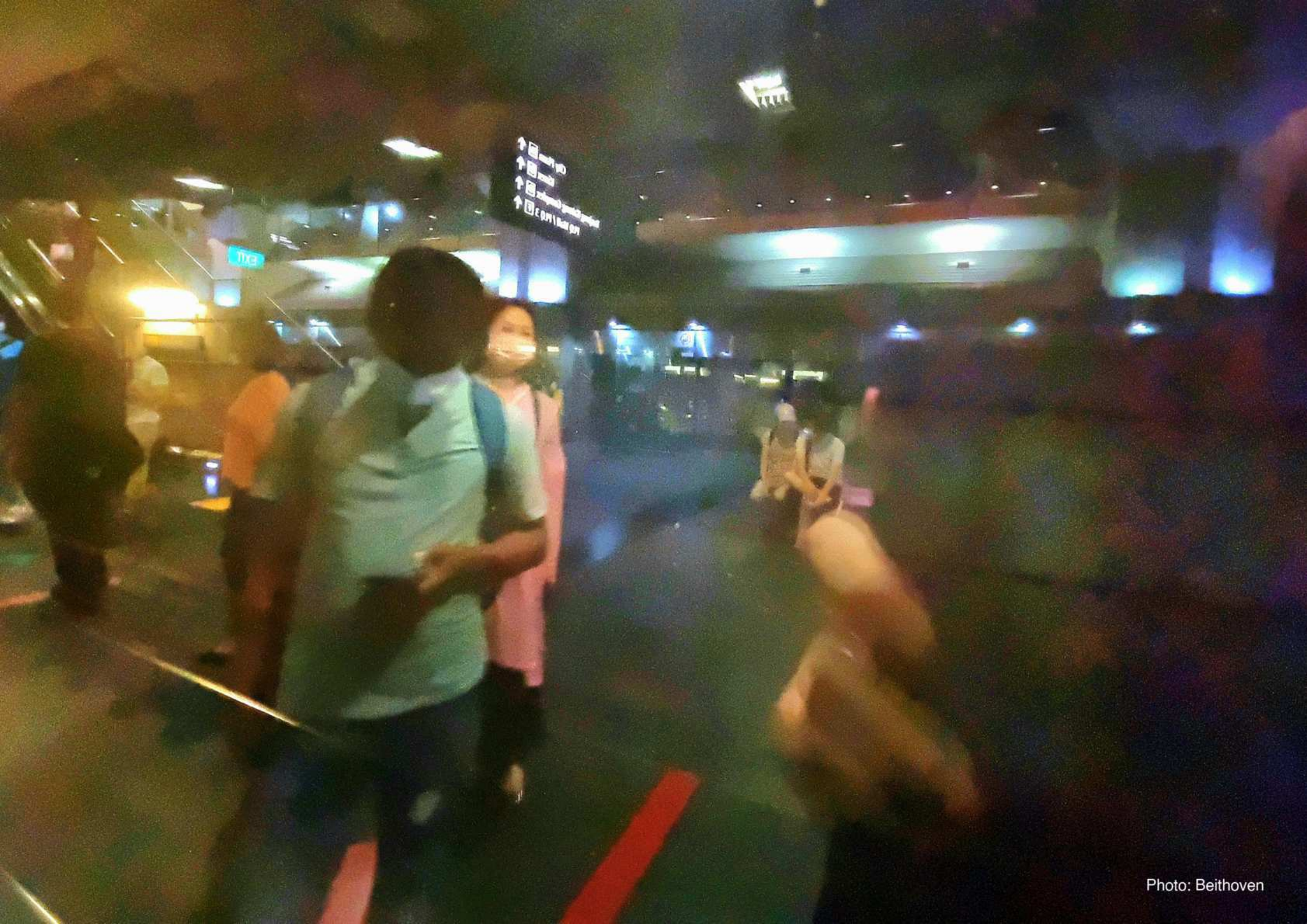










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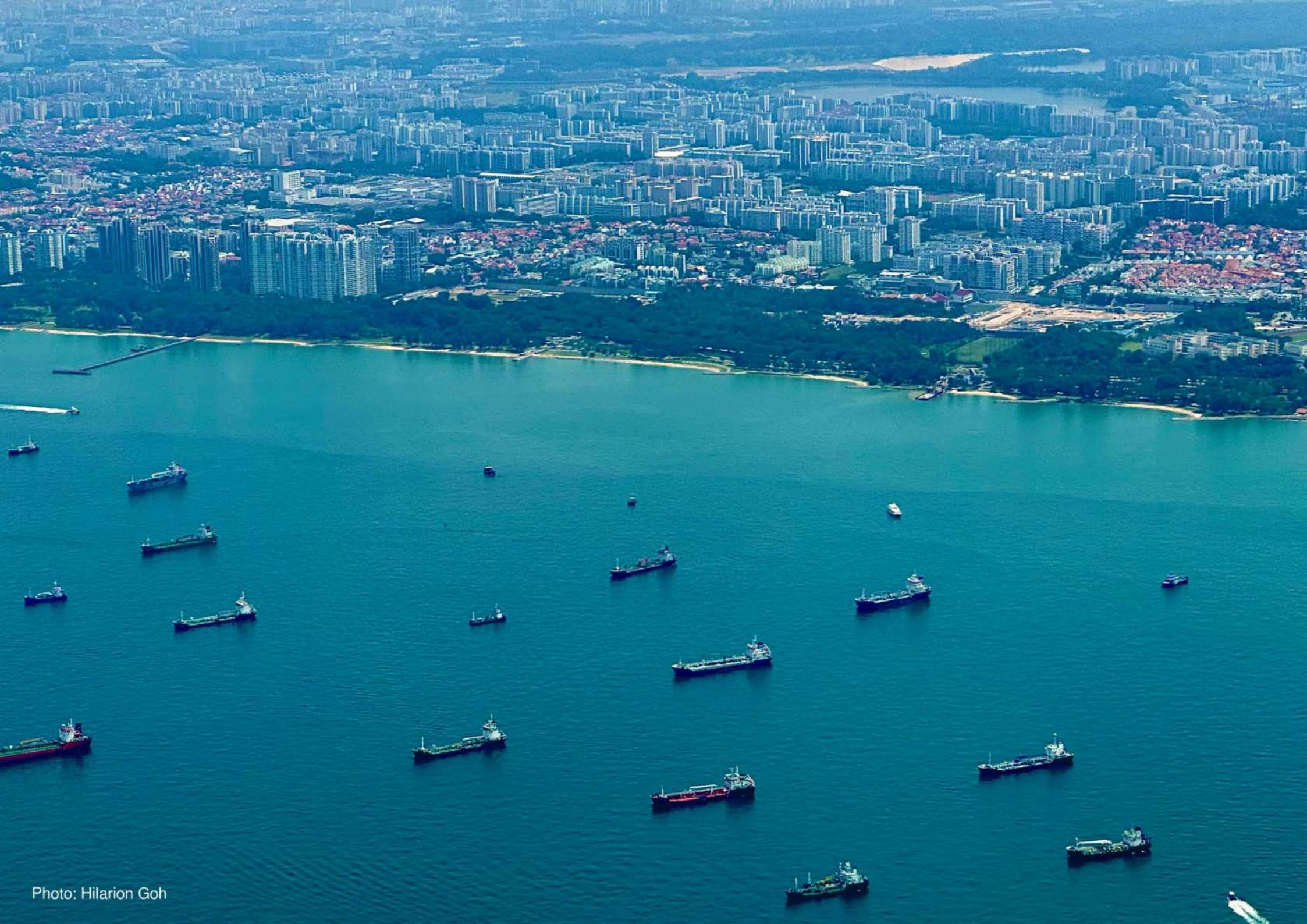






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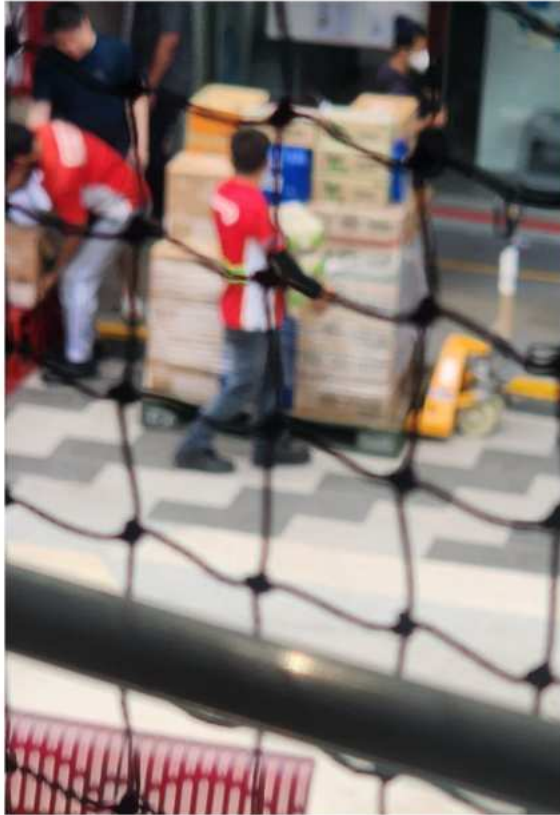


Lives in Motion.

The people who shape this city — in work, in play, in the rhythm of daily life.



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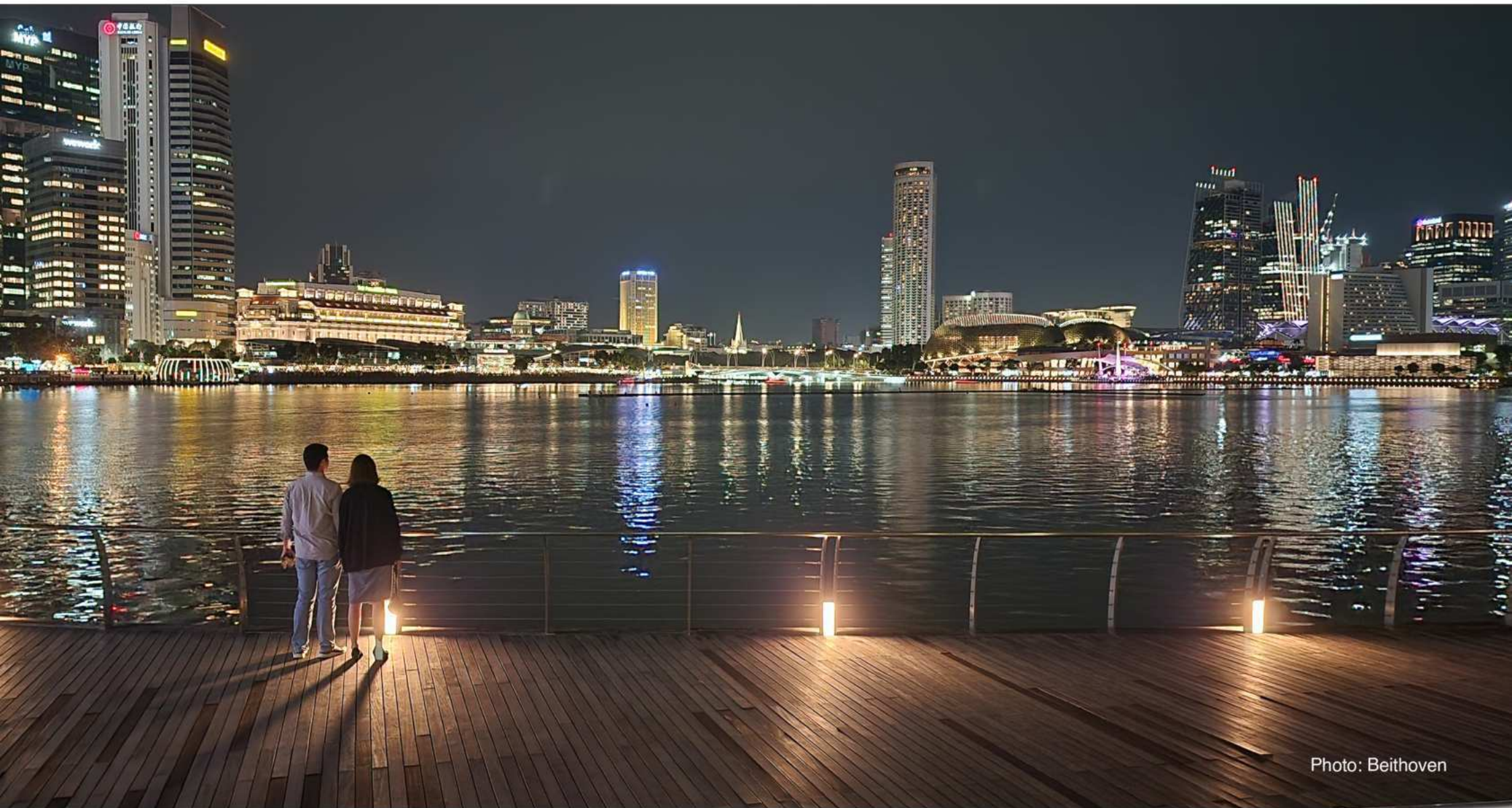
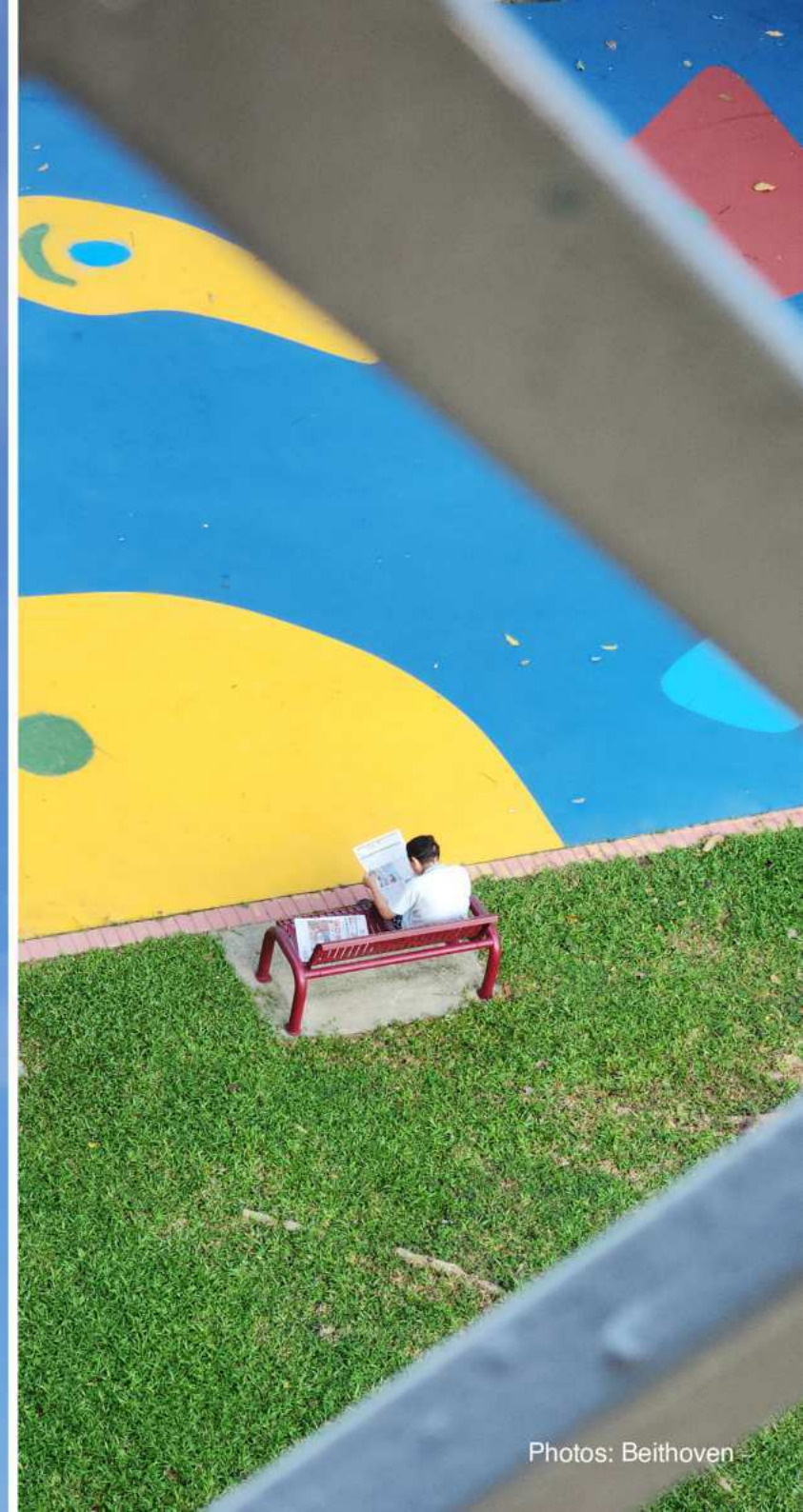


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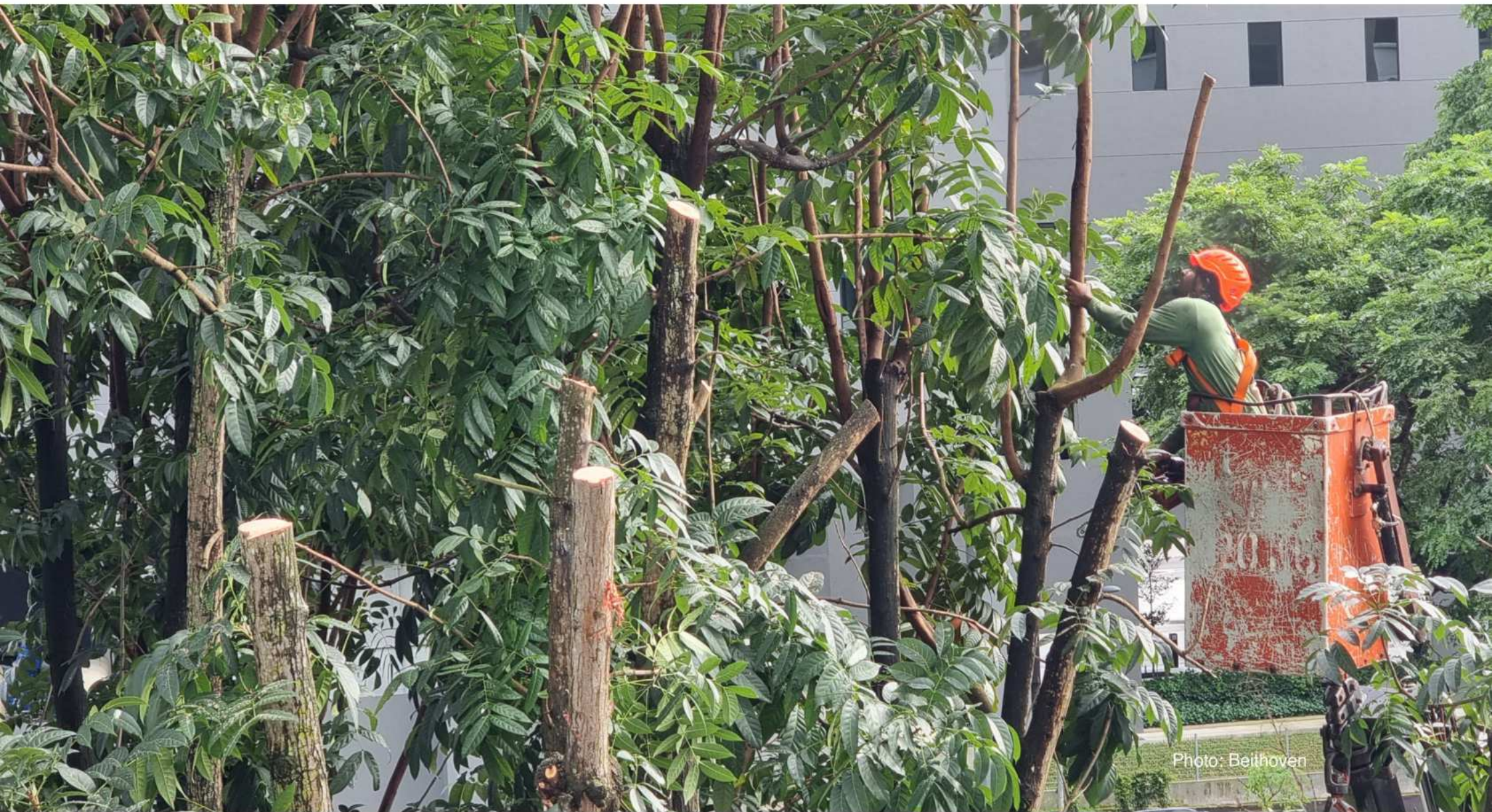


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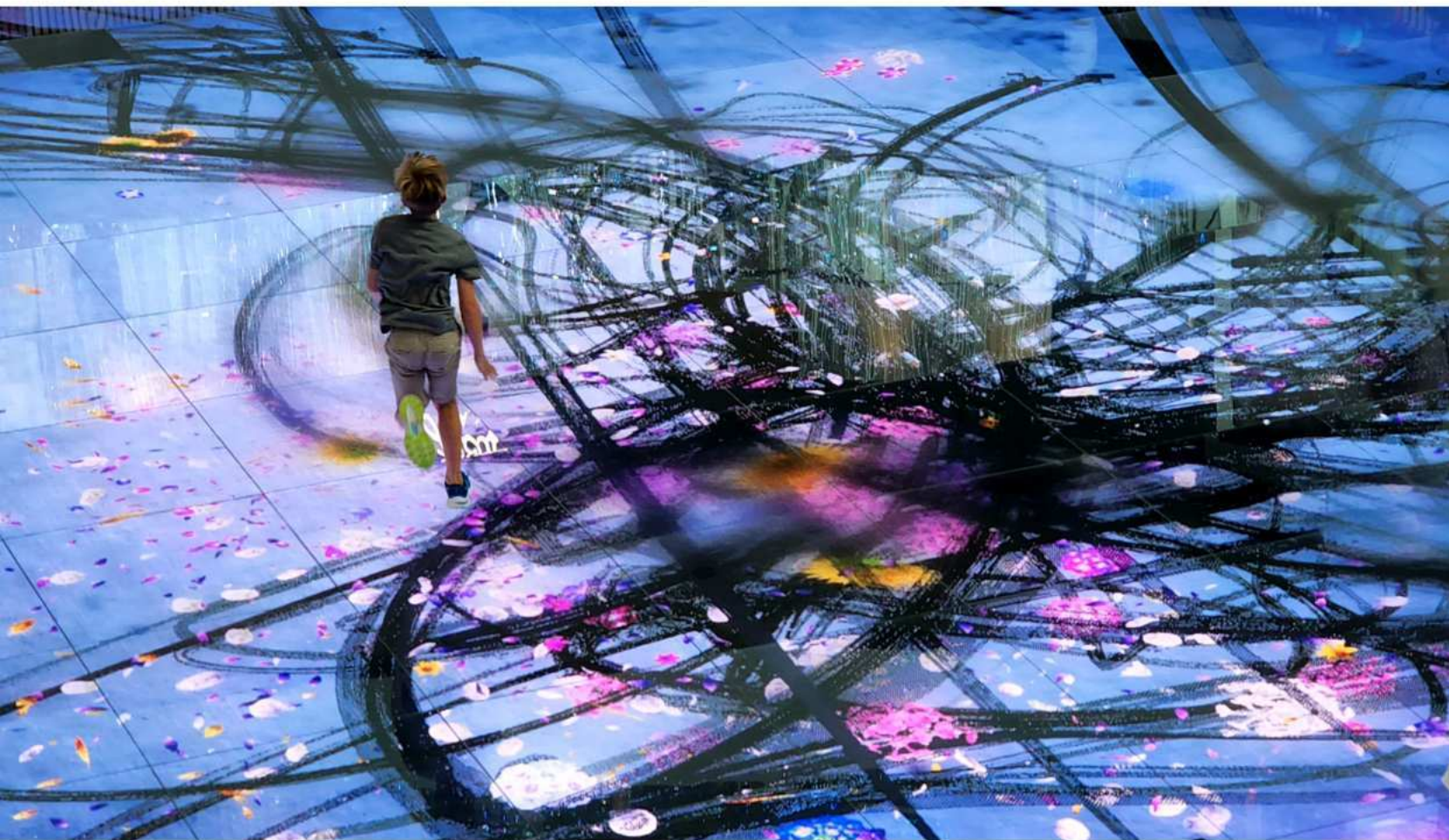
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Where Flavours Gather.

A nation fed by memory, invention, and everything in between.



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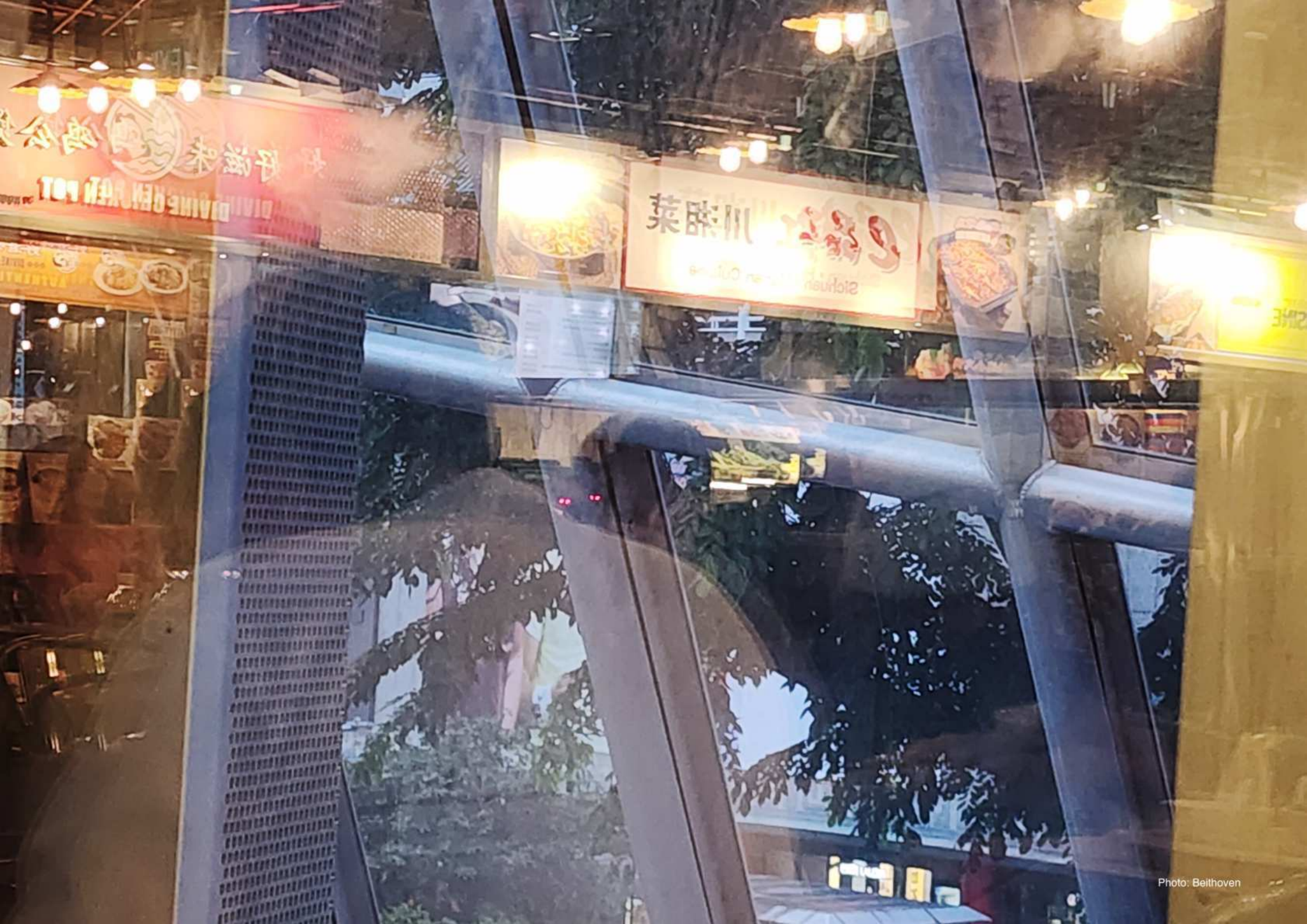






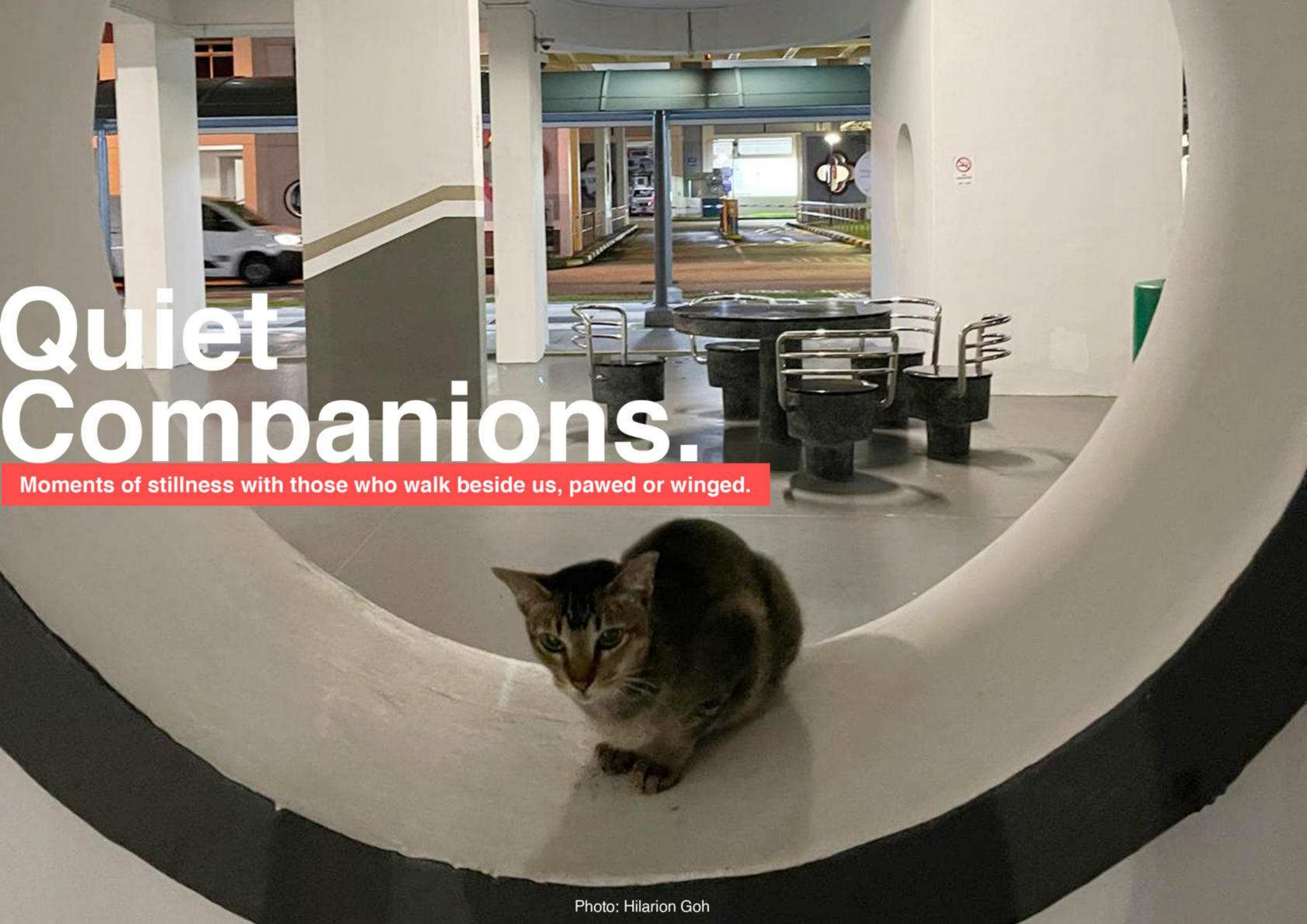
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Quiet Companions.

Moments of stillness with those who walk beside us, pawed or winged.



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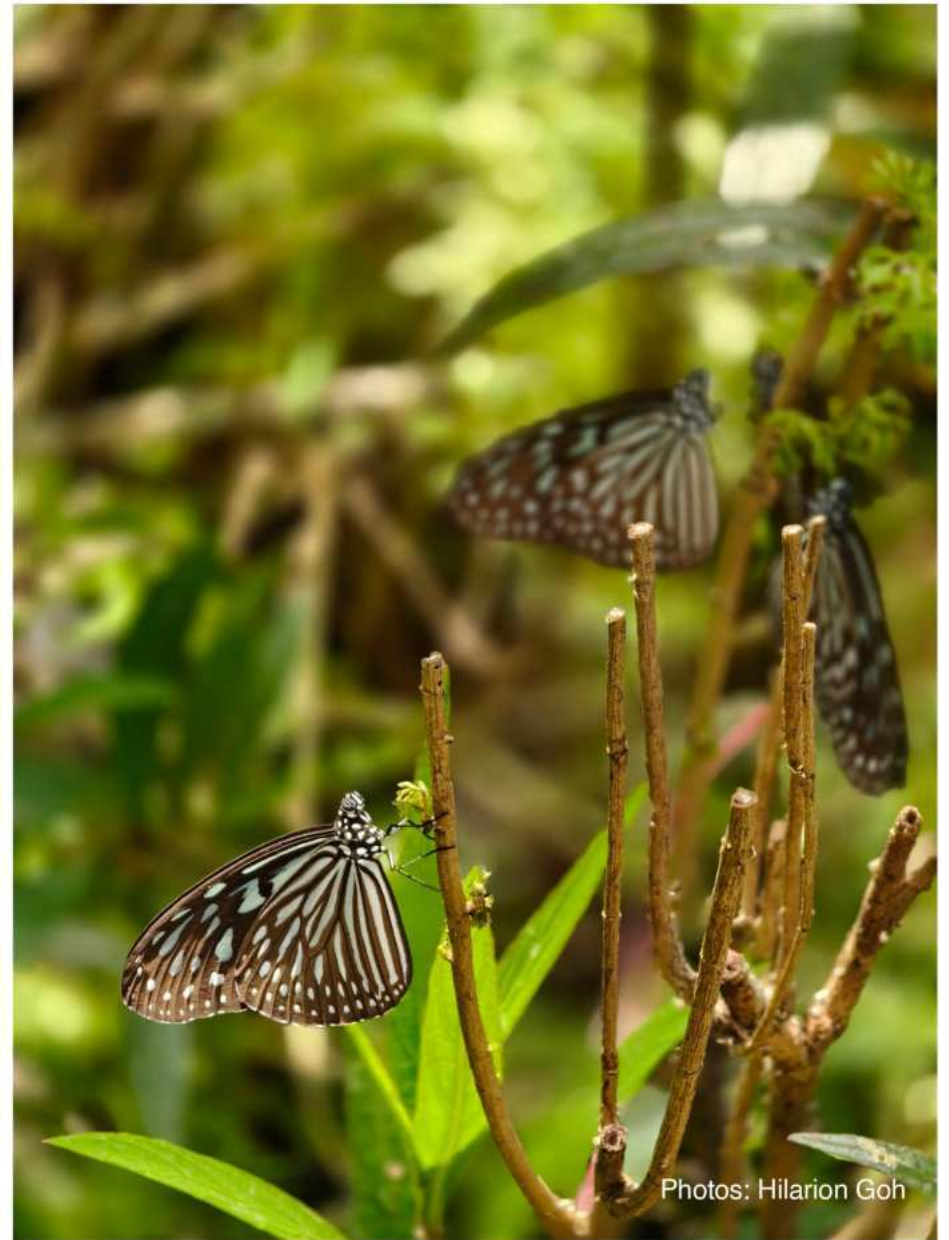


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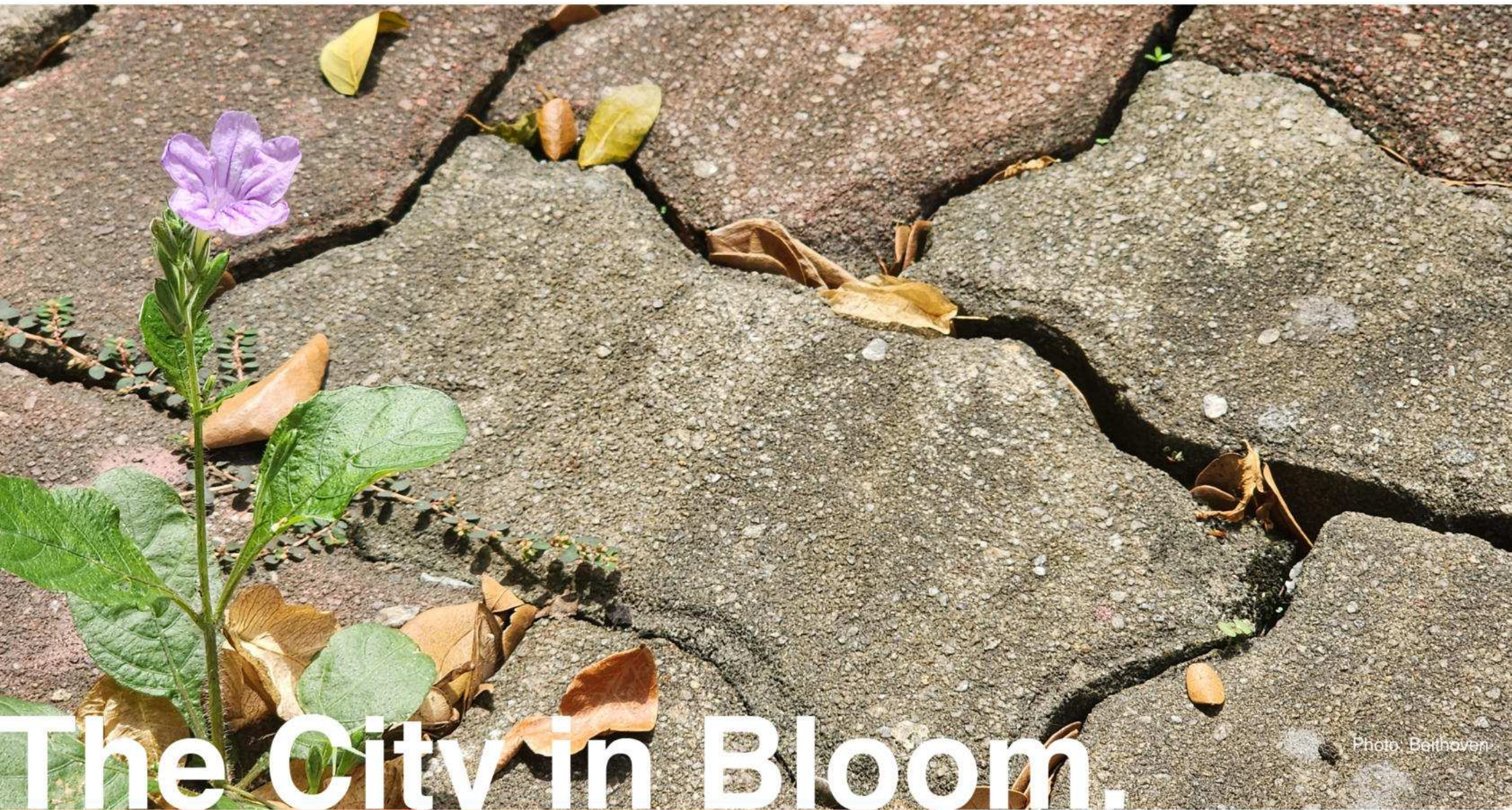


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The City in Bloom.

Petals, leaves, and sunlight — nature's quiet insistence in an urban world.







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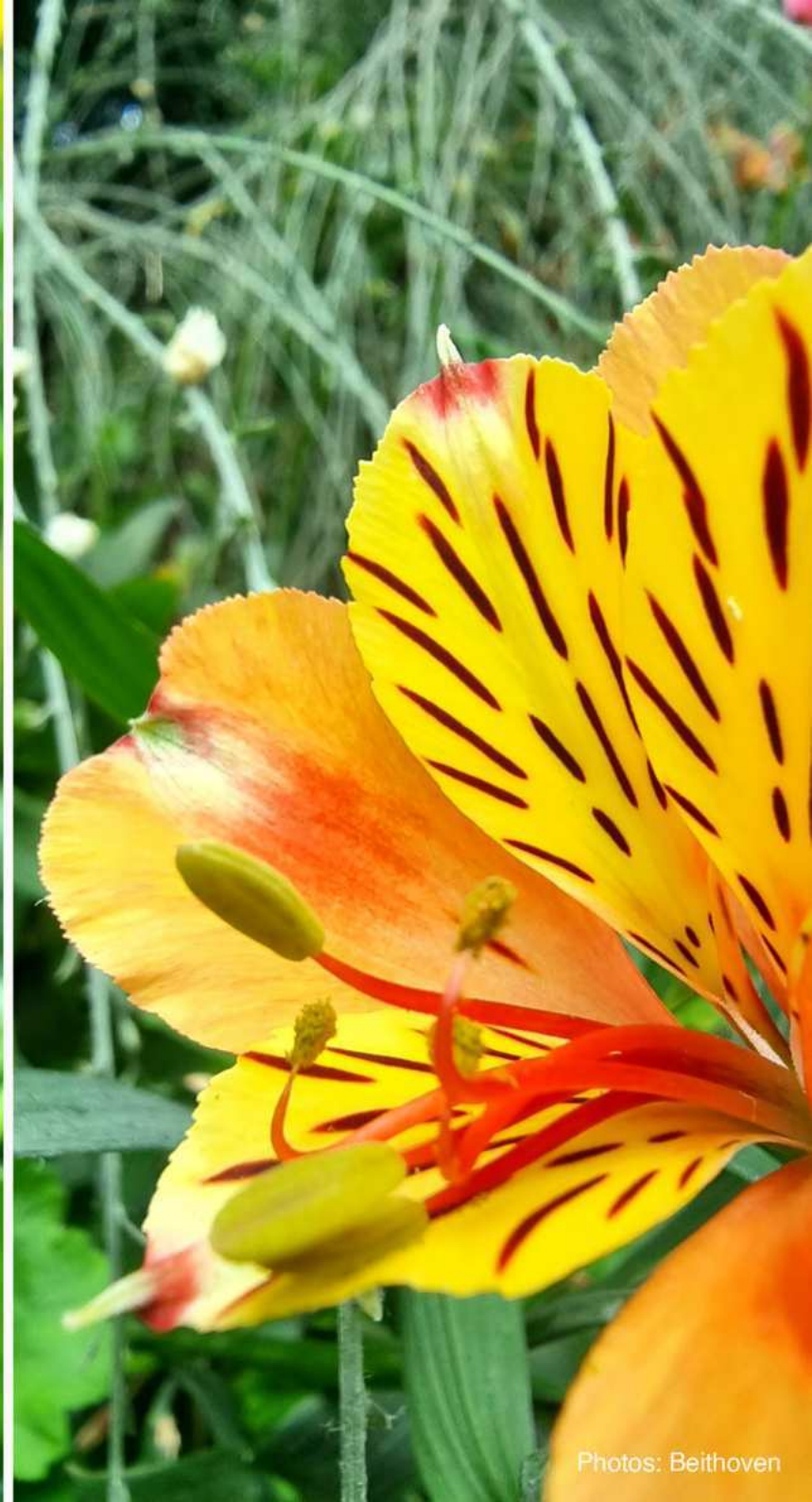




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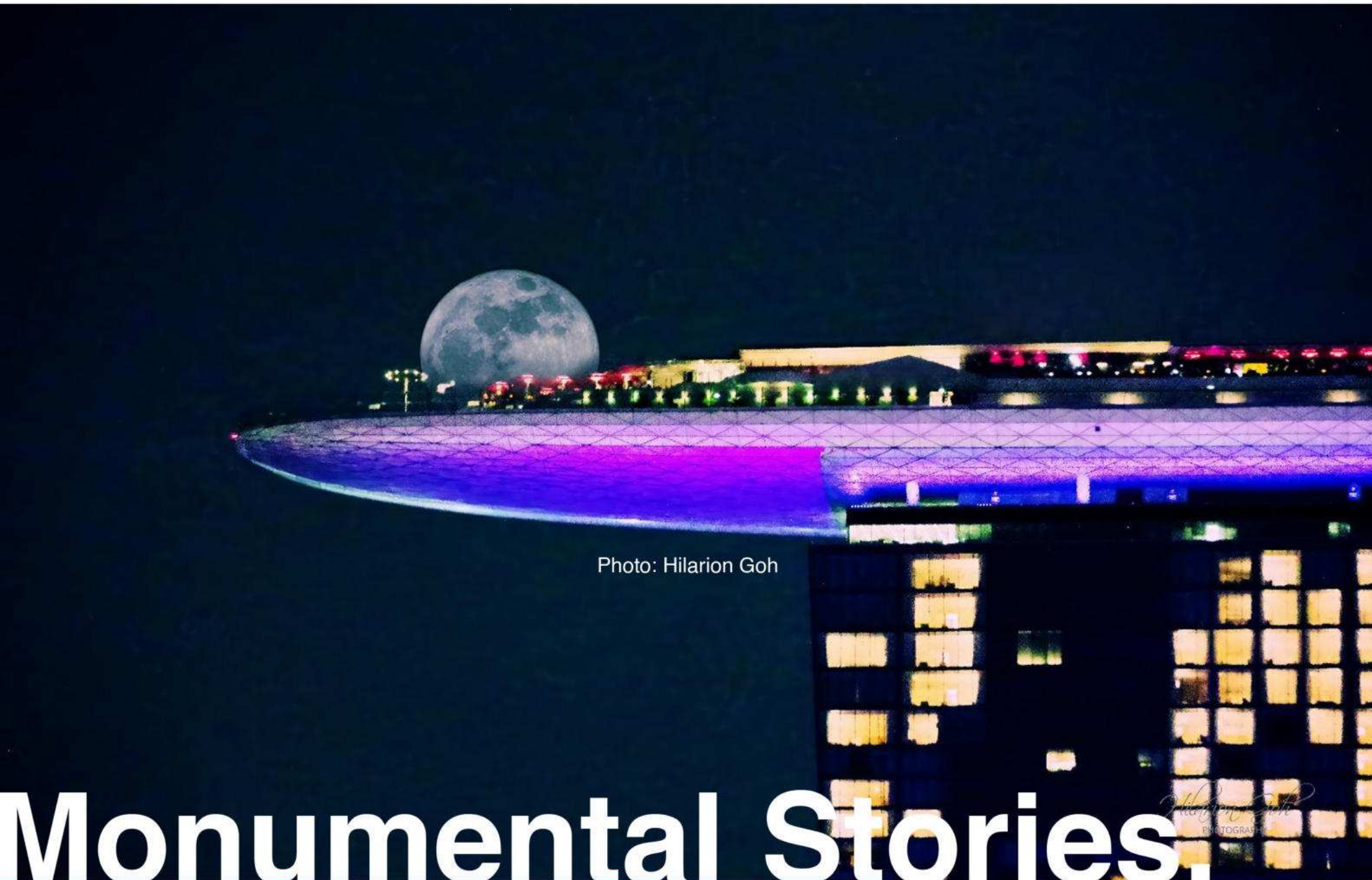


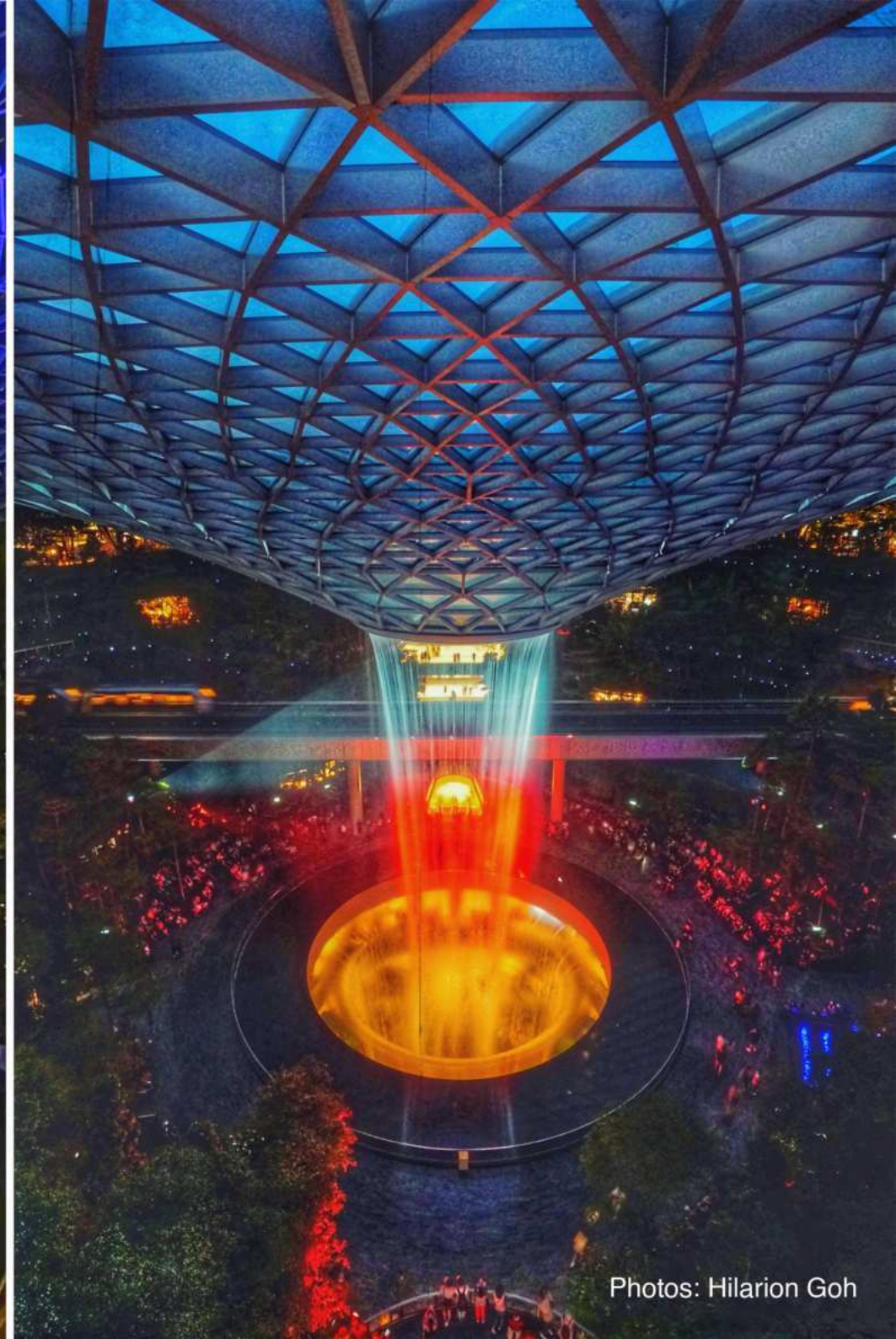
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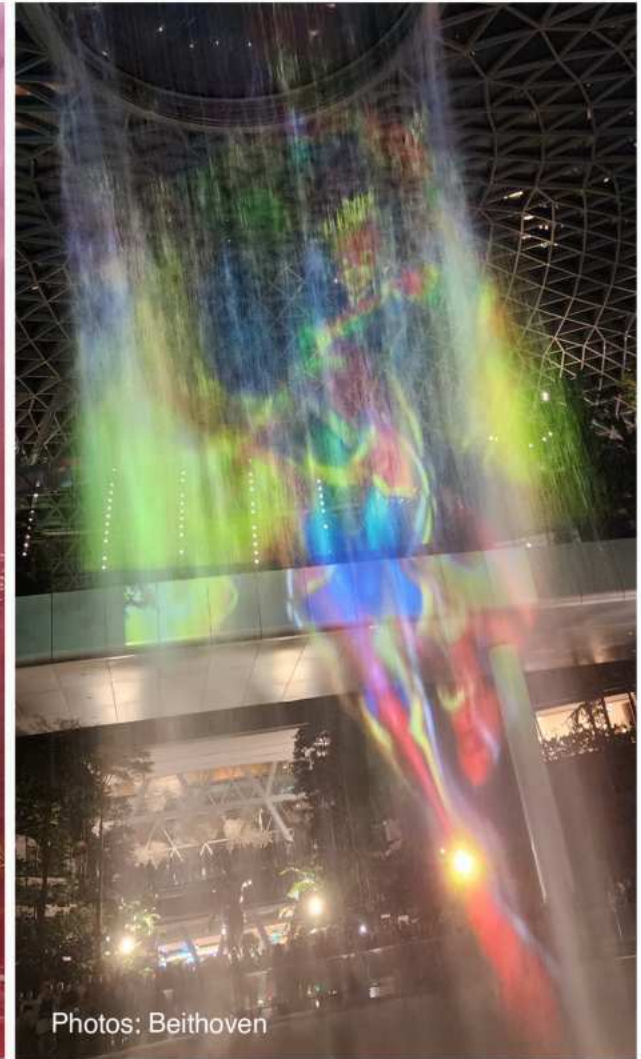
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Icons familiar and reimagined — places that shape our collective memory.





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Corners of a City.

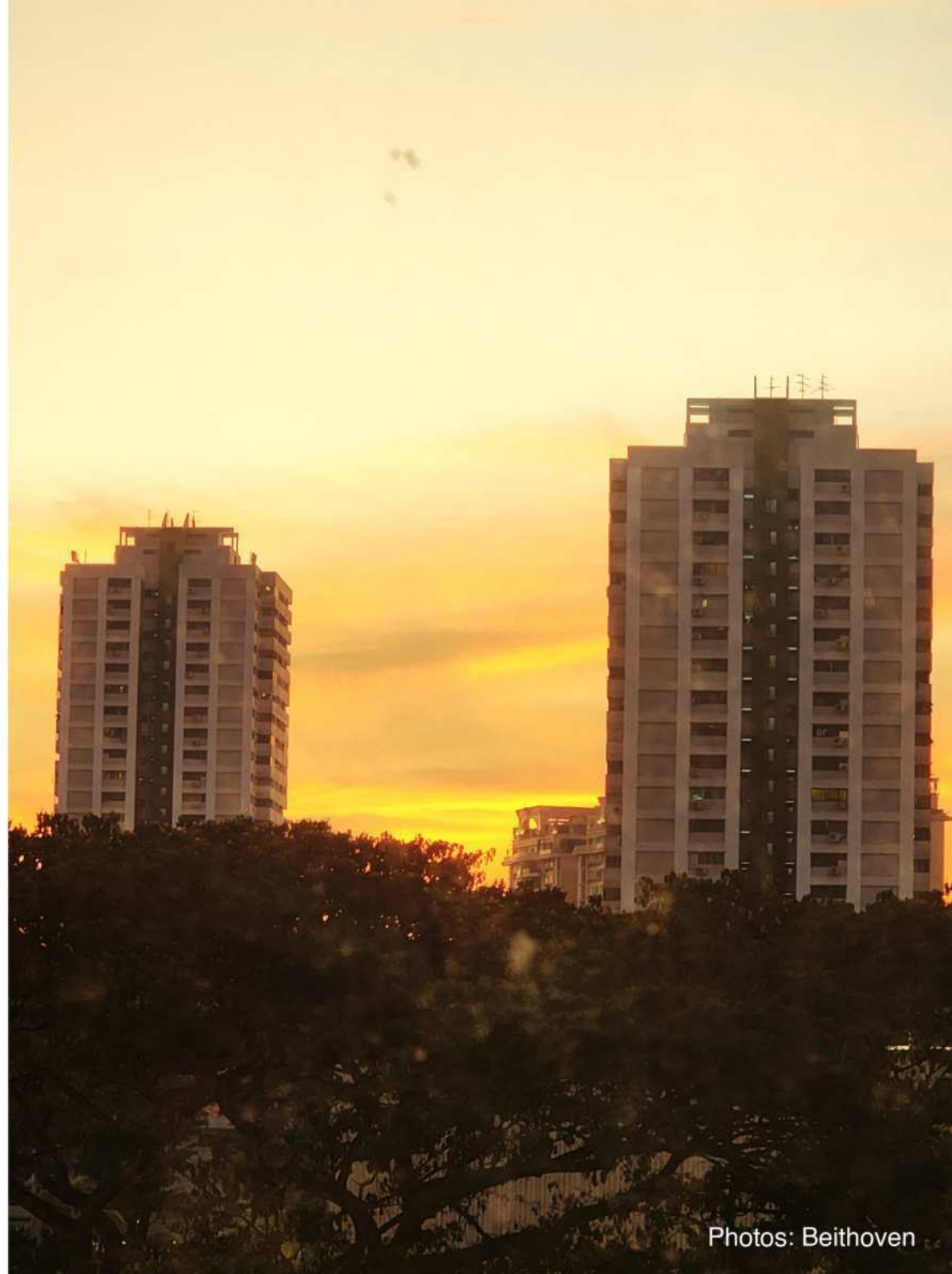
Side streets and quiet spaces — the overlooked and the in-between.



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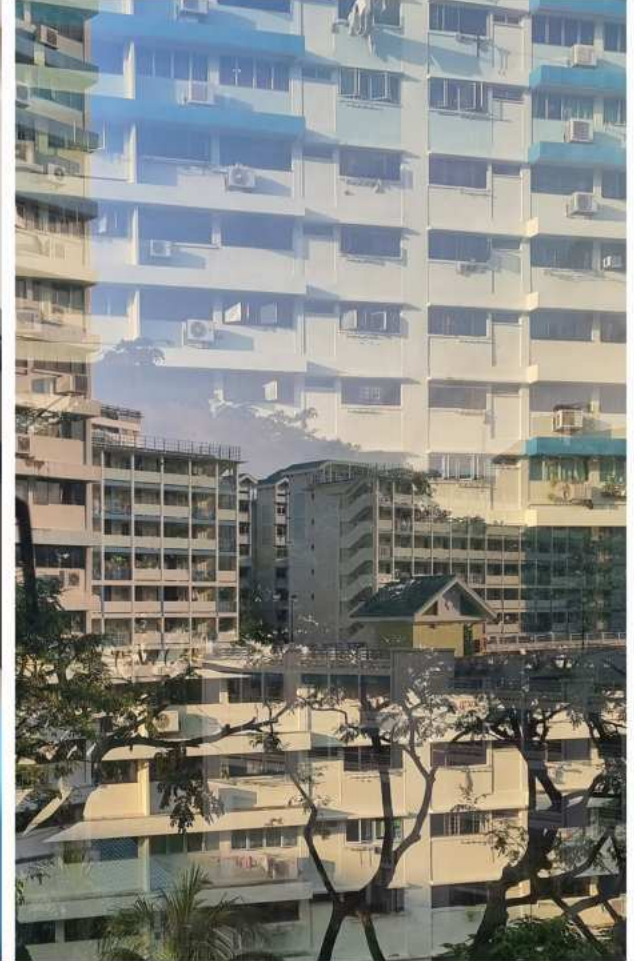


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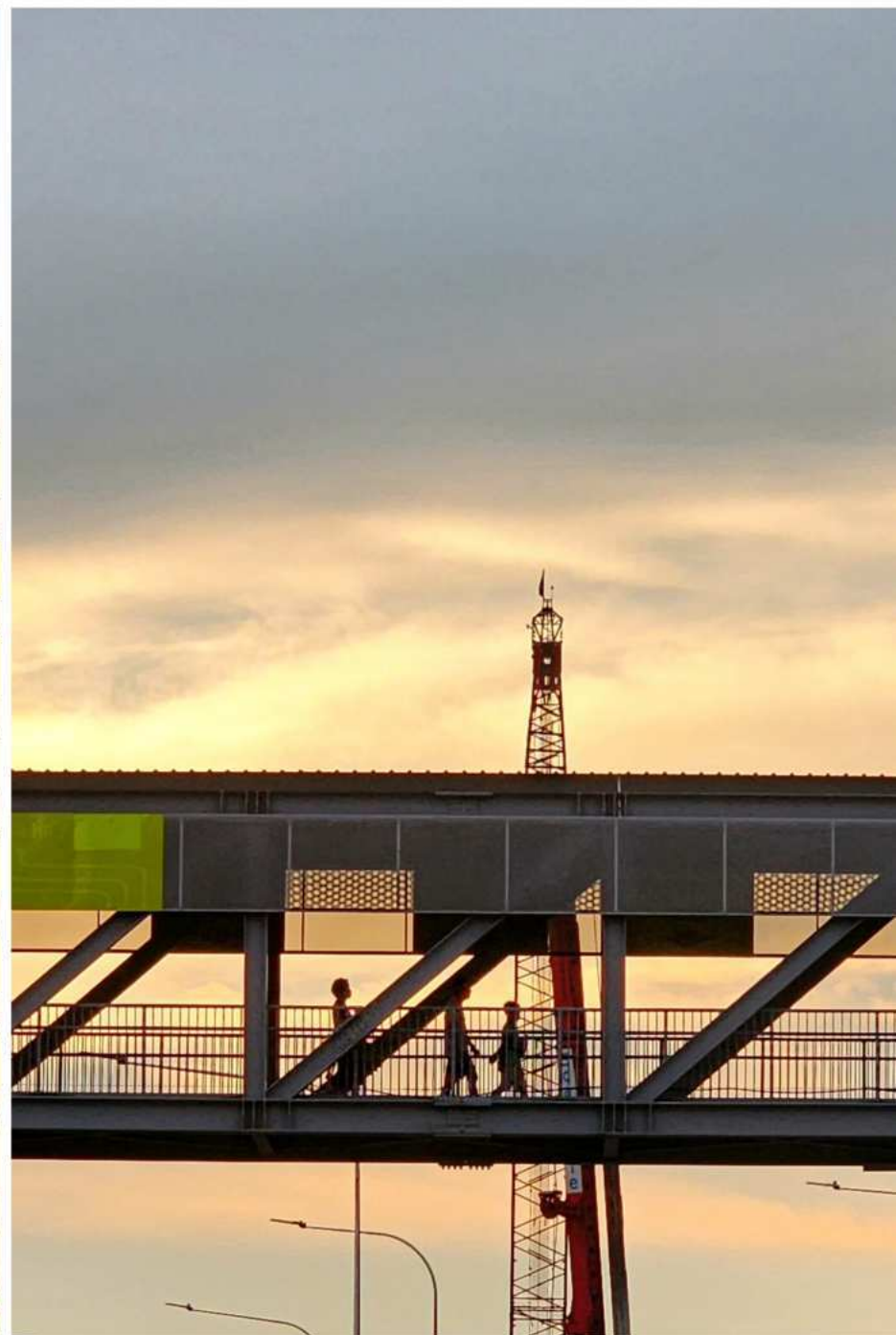




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Moments In Mask.

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From silence and distance, the resilience of a nation in pause.



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Departures

Time	To	Flight	Terminal	Row	Remarks
1925	Sydney	BA 15	1	10	Gate Closing
1930	Surabaya	MI 5914	3	3	Cancelled
1940	Los Angeles	SQ 38	3	06	Boarding
1950	Jakarta	JT 153	3	01	Cancelled
2030	Penang	TR 428	1	07	Cancelled
2115	Kuala Lumpur	MI 5710	2	06	Cancelled
2130	Kuala Lumpur	OD 806	3	01	Cancelled
2135	Brunei	BM 6424	2	06	Cancelled
2235	London-LHR	BA 16	1	04	Early Check-in at Jewel L1
2330	London-LHR	VA 5558	3	04	Cancelled
0215	Doha	RJ 3815	1	05	Early Check-in at Jewel L1
0610	Tokyo-NRT	AC 6247	2	05	Early Check-in at Jewel L1

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HELP FIGHT COVID-19 WITH CONTACT TRACING

Please scan the QR Code below to provide your details.
This will facilitate contact tracing should the need arise.

Registration is mandatory and your information will be kept strictly confidential.

HOW TO SCAN A QR CODE IN 3 EASY STEPS:

STEP 1

For Android users
Download the QR code reader app on Google play and launch it.

For iPhone or iPad users
Use the Camera app on your device.



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A Nation on Parade.

Flags, drums, and open skies — the spirit of celebration through the years.

A Special Photo Series by Hilarion Goh

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“ And in every quiet frame,
a city still breathes. ”

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