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Get ready to party by the beach at the *Mediacorp Let's Celebrate 2026* countdown show

Headlined by Red Velvet– IRENE & SEULGI, this beachfront celebration also features dynamic homegrown and regional collaborations, culminating in a spectacular fireworks finale.

Singapore, 9 December 2025 – Ring in the new year with the *Mediacorp Let's Celebrate 2026 (LC2026)* countdown show, taking place on 31 December at Siloso Beach, Sentosa!

Organised by Mediacorp in partnership with Sentosa Development Corporation, this iconic countdown celebration will be held at Siloso Beach for the first time and will feature heart-thumping pre-show DJ sets as well as a main show headlined by Red Velvet – IRENE & SEULGI, the first subunit of South Korean girl group Red Velvet. Partygoers can also look forward to dynamic artiste collaborations by homegrown and regional acts, soak in the golden sands and ocean breeze, and welcome 2026 with a spectacular fireworks display.

On this inaugural beachfront edition of *LC2026*, Angeline Poh, Chief Customer and Corporate Development Officer, Mediacorp said: “The *Mediacorp Let's Celebrate* countdown show has been a highlight of Singapore’s year-end calendar, and this year’s edition takes on a new dimension with our first-ever staging at Sentosa. Taking our party to this iconic beach destination creates a fresh New Year’s Eve experience for all. We invite everyone, whether joining us on Siloso Beach or watching from home, to be part of the celebration as we ring in 2026.”

Michael Ma, Assistant Chief Executive (Business & Digital Technology Group), Sentosa Development Corporation said: “This strategic partnership with Mediacorp marks an important milestone in Sentosa’s continued evolution as Singapore’s premier leisure destination. By presenting the inaugural edition of *Let's Celebrate* on Siloso Beach, we are offering guests an escape from the city centre to celebrate by the beach and waters, an experience that cannot be found anywhere elsewhere in Singapore. This collaboration further strengthens Sentosa's repertoire of annual countdown events, providing guests with even more ways to celebrate and underscores our commitment to delivering world-class experiences that unite exceptional entertainment with Sentosa’s signature coastal environment. As we close out 2025 and welcome 2026, we invite everyone to join us for this spectacular beachside escapade.”

Party along the beach at the *Mediacorp Let's Celebrate 2026* countdown show

Hosted by beloved radio duo The Muttons from Mediacorp CLASS 95, the main show will be headlined by Red Velvet – IRENE & SEULGI. Fans can expect an electrifying set featuring dynamic choreography with their signature hits, as well as performances by other homegrown and regional acts. Charismatic

singer-songwriter Shabir and powerhouse vocalist Shazza will begin the show with a soulful, synth-infused duet backed by the carnival rhythms of percussion collective Sambiesta. The tempo will then rise as rappers Baha Mista B and Fariz Jabba join forces with vocalist Estelle Fly, with DJ Kiara returning to tie it all together in a high-octane, genre-blending showcase that will keep the crowd on its feet.

In a special treat for fans, *Singapore Idol* icons Hady Mirza, Sezairi and Taufik Batisah, will also share the stage for a medley showcasing their vocal prowess, while celebrating homegrown artistry. The show will also see electronic musician Jasmine Sokko joining hands with international pop artist Sorn for a futuristic performance backed by dancers from Temasek Polytechnic. Adding to the evening's dynamic lineup, popular acoustic duo Jack & Rai, together with Singapore's very own "Papa Rock" Ramli Sarip, will keep the crowd on their feet with a blend of timeless anthems and rock-fuelled energy.

But that's not all! Partygoers can also look forward to a rousing collaboration between artiste Glenn Yong and musician Nathan Hartono, who will be joined by Singapore Polytechnic's dance group, Strictly Dance Zone, for an electrifying performance. The countdown show will feature over 10 minutes of spectacular fireworks beginning at the stroke of midnight across the Siloso Beach skyline. Please refer to **Annex A** for performers' biographies.

In bringing the show to life with Mediacorp's creative and production expertise, Virginia Lim, Chief Content Officer, Mediacorp, said: "This year's edition of the *Mediacorp Let's Celebrate* countdown show will showcase our live production capabilities through bold stage visuals and an immersive concert experience. Other than exciting sets by the popular Red Velvet – IRENE & SEULGI, local and regional artistes will also come together for never-seen-before collaborative performances, and we cannot wait for audiences to experience what we have put together!"

In addition to the countdown show, those heading to Sentosa can enjoy a full evening experience unique to the island's beachfront setting. With a wide range of dining options available, attendees can savour a meal around Sentosa before making their way to Siloso Beach for the celebration. They can also explore complimentary activations along Sensoryscape, an immersive attraction that offers elevated vantage points for the fireworks display, creating a well-rounded and memorable way to ring in the new year at Sentosa.

Head to Siloso Beach at Sentosa to party by the beach! Admission is free, and doors will open from 7.00pm onwards and the celebrations will end at 1.00am. The *Mediacorp Let's Celebrate 2026* countdown show is also available live on [mewatch](#), [Mediacorp Entertainment on YouTube](#) and [Mediacorp TikTok](#) starting from 10.00pm, and on Channel 5 from 11.00pm to 12.15am. The show will also be available on demand for free on [mewatch](#) and [Mediacorp Entertainment on YouTube](#) from 1 January 2026.

For more information on the *Mediacorp Let's Celebrate 2026* countdown show, visit mediacorp.sg/letscelebrate and sentosa.com.sg/countdown.

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About Mediacorp

Mediacorp is Singapore's national media network and largest content creator. Its purpose is to create engaging and trusted content, as well as to connect communities and inspire people. Mediacorp engages over three million people in Singapore daily across four languages on its digital platforms including mewatch, melisten and CNA.asia, six TV channels and 11 radio stations. Beyond Singapore, Mediacorp also has a growing international audience through CNA and content distributed across markets.

With a focus on nurturing talent and growing the sector, the company is committed to investing in nation-wide initiatives like Star Search, Anugerah, Yaar Antha Star and SPOP, commissioning a wide variety of work from local content creators, and collaborating with institutes of higher learning. As Singapore's first local Multi-Channel Network in partnership with YouTube, Mediacorp is also committed to developing a network of digital content creators.

For advertisers, Mediacorp has partnered industry-leading brands like ESPN, Mothership, Singapore Tatler, theAsianparent, VICE, YouTube and 99.co to form the Mediacorp Digital Network in offering more effective content-driven solutions.

Mediacorp is the recipient of industry accolades including New York Festivals, World Media Festivals, PromaxBDA (World and Asia) and Asian Academy Creative Awards.

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About Sentosa


Sentosa Development Corporation (SDC) was established on 1 September 1972 as a Statutory Board under the Ministry of Trade and Industry. As a master planner, its charter since inception has been to oversee the development, management, marketing and promotion of the island of Sentosa as a resort destination for locals and tourists.




SDC wholly owns its subsidiaries Sentosa Cove Resort Management Pte Ltd and Sentosa Golf Club. SDC also owns the Singapore Cable Car Sky Network, managed by Mount Faber Leisure Group Pte Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary which operates as an autonomous commercial arm.


As a testament to its commitment to sustainability, SDC has been conferred the Global Sustainable Tourism Council – For Destinations (GSTC-D) certificate, making Sentosa the first island destination in Asia to receive this accolade.

Annex A – List of hosts and performers (in alphabetical order)

Hosts	Bios
<p>The Muttons</p> 	<p>Justin Ang and Vernon A are audio personalities at Mediacorp’s English radio station, CLASS 95. Better known as The Muttons, the duo launched their career in 2006 on Mediacorp 987.</p> <p>The pair currently anchors the morning drive show – <i>Muttons In The Morning</i>, on CLASS 95 from 5am to 10am. For three consecutive years, they won the accolade of “Singapore’s Best Radio Show” at the <i>Singapore Radio Awards</i>.</p>

Headliner artiste	Bio
<p>Red Velvet – IRENE & SEULGI</p> 	<p>Red Velvet is one of K-pop’s most influential girl group, celebrated for their dual “red” and “velvet” concepts that blend bright, bold pop with smooth, sophisticated R&B. Since their debut, they have delivered numerous chart-topping hits such as “Red Flavor”, “Bad Boy”, “Psycho”, and “Peek-A-Boo”, each showcasing their distinctive sound and artistic range.</p> <p>IRENE – admired for her elegant visuals, precision, and leadership – brings a refined and commanding presence to every stage.</p> <p>SEULGI – celebrated for her exceptional vocals, versatility, and dynamic dance skills – is widely recognised as one of the K-pop’s top all-round performers.</p> <p>Together, they form Red Velvet’s first ever sub-unit, with captivated global audiences with their bold and successful debut release, “Monster”.</p> <p>Their unique synergy, artistry, and performance strength have firmly established them as one of the most compelling and influential duos in the K-pop scene today.</p>

Line-up of homegrown & regional artistes	Bios
<p data-bbox="444 222 537 249">Mista B</p> 	<p data-bbox="777 222 1417 331">Mista B, also known as Baha, is a versatile entertainer-actor, composer, dancer, host, singer, songwriter and choreographer.</p> <p data-bbox="777 359 1417 468">Initially known for his dynamic dance choreography, he has evolved into a well-rounded artiste, blending English and Tamil in his hyped, catchy viral hit songs.</p> <p data-bbox="777 495 1417 604">Mista B has inspired many young talents and has performed in several major concerts, proudly representing his nation on the global stage.</p>
<p data-bbox="428 701 553 728">Estelle Fly</p> 	<p data-bbox="777 701 1417 1037">Estelle Fly is a Singaporean singer, actress, and voice-over artist who has made her mark in the local scene. Estelle is making her music comeback this 2025 with the upcoming <i>EP ZONE</i> (Dec 2025), featuring tracks like “Crazy Stupid Love” and “Messy”. Estelle has performed on stages such as <i>WATERBOMB Singapore 2025</i>, the <i>S24 Regional Dance Competition</i> at the Singapore Indoor Stadium, and the <i>World Table Tennis Final 2021</i>.</p> <p data-bbox="777 1064 1417 1289">Her career highlights include the single “RISE” with Republic of Gamers (featured in <i>The Sims 4</i>) and a role in the 2023 thriller <i>Alienated</i>. A former member of Japanese idol group Sea*A, Estelle blends K-Pop, R&B, and dance influences, cementing her versatility as one of Singapore’s standout talents.</p>
<p data-bbox="422 1320 560 1348">Fariz Jabba</p> 	<p data-bbox="777 1320 1417 1581">Fariz Jabba is an artist shaped by the life he’s living; the culture he grew up in, the faith that steadies him, and the moments he wants to honour. His music reflects all of that. After years of shifting through different chapters, he’s now moving independently with a clear head and a more deliberate sense of direction.</p> <p data-bbox="777 1608 1417 1793">His sound sits where trap energy, hip-hop philosophy and warm, atmospheric love music meet. He follows what moves him, without forcing a persona or a formula, just honesty, gratitude, and whatever feels true in the moment.</p> <p data-bbox="777 1820 1417 1887">Across Singapore and the region, Fariz has become a recognisable presence, whether through stages he’s</p>

	<p>held down or the fashion houses he's crossed paths with Nike, Kenzo, Prada, Givenchy, Gucci, Evisu and more. His path hasn't been loud; it's been steady. A mix of genre-bending singles, online moments that travelled, and a Top 10 Southeast Asia's Best Rapper Award in 2025.</p> <p>At the centre of everything is intention: honouring God, taking care of the people around him, and building a future where his family is secure. This new chapter carries all of that, more grounded, more grown, and rooted in the life he's actually living.</p> <p>Everything about this chapter is quieter, clearer, and more real.</p>
<p>Glenn Yong</p> 	<p>Multi-hyphenate Glenn Yong is an actor/singer, known for his on-screen presence and dynamic sound. He made his breakthrough as the male lead in the TV drama <i>Live Your Dreams</i> 《大大的梦想》, in which he acted and performed the show's OST.</p> <p>As a musician, Glenn debuted with “幸福的未来” in 2021 and went on to release his English singles like “UP UP” (2022) and “BREAK OUT” (2023).</p> <p>Glenn is now also a leading fashion figure and represented Singapore in global events. He was the first Singaporean to be listed on TC Candler's 100 Most Handsome Faces in 2022, 2023 & 2024.</p> <p>Beyond entertainment, Glenn has been appointed as the youngest goodwill ambassador for the Singapore Cancer Society.</p> <p>This year, Glenn returns to music with his most personal project yet — a purpose-driven EP and powered by authenticity.</p> <p>His first single, 《没有你的世界》, was released in March 2025. Followed by 《请不要离开我》 in November 2025.</p>
<p>Hady Mirza</p>	<p>Hady is known as one of Singapore's most prominent singers of the early 21st century and is most known for his smooth R&B voice and charming personality.</p> <p>Hady was the winner of the second season of the singing competition TV show <i>Singapore Idol</i>. He was</p>



crowned the winner after garnering 70% of about one million votes cast by television viewers.

He was also the winner of the world's first *Asian Idol* competition held in 2007 in Jakarta, Indonesia. Hady made his comeback by joining *Gegar Vaganza 6* in 2019.

Hady was named co-winner of the sixth season of the Malaysian television singing show. At the recent *All Star Gegar Vaganza*, Hady emerged as first runner up.

Jack & Rai



Jack and Rai are a dynamic musical duo known for their infectious melodies and captivating performances. Their ability to connect with audiences through their music and witty banter on stage has made them a beloved fixture in the local music scene. Beyond their live performances, they have released several albums and singles, showcasing their songwriting prowess and musical versatility.

Rai is also an audio personality at Mediacorp's English radio station, CLASS 95. He currently hosts *Afternoons with Rai*, every weekday from 2-5pm and *#throwback* every Saturday night from 8pm till 12am on CLASS 95.

Jasmine Sokko

Jasmine Sokko 楚晴 is a multi-hyphenate creative director, music producer and singer-songwriter in Singapore. Draped in monochromatic ensemble, Sokko has carved out a niche for herself since her musical debut with her unique soundscapes. In December 2024, Sokko was introduced as she made her debut as a JFJ Productions artiste in December 2024 on the JJ Lin JJ20 FINAL LAP World Tour stage with her new song "Burnout Dynasty". Sokko released her first full-length album "BURNOUT DYNASTY" in March 2025.

Since her debut single "1057" in 2016, Jasmine Sokko has built an impressive discography. Her music has earned critical acclaim from Billboard, NME, and Time Out. In 2019, she made history as the first Singaporean artist to win an MTV EMA for "Best Southeast Asian

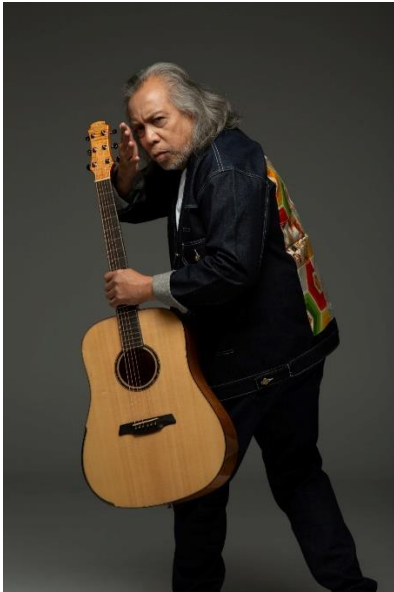
 <p>Photo credit: Wenfeng Wu</p>	<p>Act”, following a standout fourth-place finish in Rave Now, China’s biggest electronic music reality show. In 2021, Sokko was also the first Singaporean artist featured on a Times Square billboard for Spotify’s global EQUAL campaign. In September 2025, she was awarded “Top Young Artiste” and “Top Young Songwriter” at the 28th COMPASS Awards.</p> <p>In 2024, her career hit a new milestone when she was chosen as the opening act for Coldplay’s <i>Music of the Spheres World Tour</i> in Singapore. Since her debut, Sokko’s impeccable style have employed the likes of prestigious fashion publications.</p> <p>Sokko took the lead in a regional campaign, where she created a 3- part-mini-documentary and produced the official soundtrack for the 2022 Lenovo Legion series laptops. An avid gamer, she also composed a track for IKEA’s OBEGRÄNSAD collection and contributed to gaming soundtracks for titles such as Valorant, Naraka: Bladepoint and Game for Peace, among others. She was the only artiste featured in CNA’s documentary <i>Dear Singapore</i> in September 2025.</p>
<p>Kiara</p> 	<p>Introducing Kiara, a versatile DJ with a global footprint. From the vibrant clubs of Myanmar to the pulsating scenes of the UK, Kiara's eclectic style has captivated audiences worldwide.</p> <p>Now based in Singapore, she's become a staple in the city's nightlife, rocking the decks at premier venues and events like Djakarta Warehouse Project, Marquee Singapore, Mimilivehouse Jakarta, GOT Bangkok, Sentosa Countdown and many more. Specializing in EDM, house, and chart-topping hits, Kiara's dynamic sets keep the energy high and the crowd on their feet.</p>
<p>Nathan Hartono</p>	<p>Nathan Hartono (向洋) is a bilingual Singaporean singer-songwriter-actor with multifaceted artistic pursuits. Since his debut in 2006, Nathan has released music in both English and Mandarin, starred in a feature film, clinched the runner-up accolade at the 2016 Sing! China competition, and captivated the</p>



hearts of audiences across Asia and beyond with his soulful and charismatic performances.

Most recently, he returned to the musical stage after seven years to take on a lead role in *The Last Five Years*, for which he received rave reviews. Currently, he is working on new music projects, scheduled for release in the latter half of the year.

Ramli Sarip





Read ‘everything is music’ and we begin to comprehend the timelessness of the voice of Ramli Sarip. It is undoubtedly the limitations in our own musical vocabulary and comprehension, our collective cultural forgetfulness that has rendered the living ‘healing’ voices from our traditions into the safe past, and so, in describing the Ramli Sarip experience through the years, can muster only the fond but wholly innocuous ‘Papa Rock’. In truth, the longevity in voice that marks the Ramli Sarip experience rests in its deep evocation of the ancient and eternal, eclipsing the elusive boundaries between the secular and the sacred (not unlike the way Johnny Cash would carry the Gospel even as he sang of burning in a worldly ‘ring of fire’) while existing in a perennial state of his acoustic showcase: *Sentosa Di Kubah Hayat* – of mystical transitions.


Sambiesta



Sambiesta is a home-grown percussion band founded in 2007, bringing the vibrant energy of Afro-Brazilian samba to audiences in Singapore and beyond. Known for electrifying performances and engaging workshops, we’ve entertained at festivals and corporate events both locally and internationally, with appearances spanning Los Angeles, Liverpool, Germany, Spain, Ireland, and Korea. Whether it’s sparking joy on stage or uniting people through rhythm in a team-building session, Sambiesta is all about getting everyone grooving to the beat.

<p>Sezairi</p> 	<p>Sezairi is one of Singapore’s most celebrated singers and songwriters, beloved across Southeast Asia for his genuine passion and humble artistry. With Indonesian roots and a career spanning 16 years since first being crowned the 3rd Singapore Idol, he continues to evolve while staying true to the joy and curiosity that first drew him to music. His 5th studio album, <i>The Art of Surrender</i> (Oct 2025), marks a new chapter as he steps into the role of producer, showcasing his growth and dedication to his north star: honest and heartfelt expression.</p>
<p>Shabir</p> 	<p>Shabir Sulthan is one of Singapore’s most dynamic and genre-bending music artists — a creator who moves between cultures, languages and worlds with ease. From viral anthems to cinematic scores and stadium-level performances, Shabir brings an energy that is raw, bold and unmistakably his own.</p> <p>With a sound that blends his cultural roots, global rhythms and fearless storytelling, he steps into 2026 with “WE MOVIN’”, a high-octane declaration of resilience, swagger and evolution.</p> <p>Shabir isn’t here to reminisce. He’s here to ignite the night and carry Singapore into the new year with power, fire and forward motion.</p>
<p>Shazza</p>	<p>Shazza, homegrown singer-songwriter is known for her lyrical storytelling and diverse musical style that gains global recognition through viral TikTok collaboration with Crash Adams and locally with her recent one-of-the kind unprecedented release of <i>Happy, Wretched & Terrified</i> album launch that showcased a unique community initiative reflecting</p>

	<p>her advocacy to support local and community collaborations.</p> <p>The 24-year-old artist has made strong representation in the music industry and put Singapore's music on the global map with her notable achievement as Spotify radar artiste and music artiste listed in 30 under 30's Forbes. She has performed at prominent events, including Singapore's National Day, Chingay, and on international stages.</p> <p>As a hijab-wearing artist, she recognizes the lack of representation in the industry and aims to break barriers and inspire change by striving to be a trailblazer, bringing more visibility through her music and presence where she is constantly exploring sounds to create a discography that resonates with a wide audience.</p>
<p>SORN</p> 	<p>SORN is an international pop artist who kickstarted her career at the age of 18, debuting as the lead vocalist of K-Pop group CLC in 2015. In 2021, SORN signed with hybrid management company WILD Group to embark on her solo career, since releasing nine digital singles and an EP which have both amassed a strong listener base, particularly across the Southeast Asia region. Her debut single “Sharp Objects” topped iTunes charts in numerous countries.</p> <p>She most recently collaborated with J.Tajor, the artist behind the viral hit “Like I Do” and with Dutch electronic duo Yellow Claw to release ‘Cold Like Snow’. Sorn has also partnered up with Riot Games to release an anthem titled ‘U Already Know’ for the VALORANT Champions Tour.</p> <p>With a cumulative following of over 6 million on social media, Sorn has cultivated fans around the globe while showcasing her fun-loving and bubbly personality. She has been known for producing viral and popular video content across her social platforms.</p> <p>SORN is passionate about taking charge of the music making process from start to finish—from songwriting and developing concepts, to taking control of music</p>

	<p>video production. 2026 is poised to be a year of continued growth for SORN, who as an artist is set to bring music from Asia to new global heights.</p>
<p>Taufik Batisah</p> 	<p>From persisting through the gruelling trials of reality TV competition, to possessing a star branding called his own, Taufik Batisah has proven that dreams can turn into reality, and reality into a statement.</p> <p>A natural-born performer with strong vocal prowess, captivating showmanship and mesmerizing aura, Taufik won the hearts of the masses when he was crowned as the first ever <i>Singapore Idol</i> on 1 Dec 2004. His debut album BLESSINGS left a significant footprint in local music history as the best-selling local English album in the past decade with a record sale of more than 36,000 copies.</p> <p>With a wide music repertoire of jazz, sentimental ballads to street hip hop and pop, Taufik has well-established himself as a versatile performer and one of the region's biggest stars. Audiences in the region and beyond have also witnessed his progression from an aspiring star to an iconic artiste in a league of his own.</p> <p>Taufik's all-rounded capabilities as a singer-performer-composer-producer aid him in building a remarkable presence in the English and Malay music industry. His own distinctive brand of music has garnered overwhelming recognition from fans and music professionals alike.</p> <p>Beside his outstanding achievements in Singapore, Taufik also excels on the international stage. He was the only Singapore artiste invited to perform at the Live and Loud Music Festival in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, alongside international artistes KC & JoJo, Kool & Gang and James Morrison. He have also headlined the performances of the Asean-Korea Commemorative Summit in Jeju (Korea) and Seoul, and represented Singapore in the inaugural Asia Broadcasting Union (ABU) TV Song Festival, a non-competitive concert showcase featuring high profile music artistes across the Asia-Pacific countries. Taufik performed alongside Korea's TVXQ, Japan's Perfume, Australia's Havana Brown and other singers. The</p>

	<p>Festival, staged in Seoul, was beamed over Korea's national television KBS and across the region.</p> <p>Recognised with more than thirty awards and accolades, Taufik was the recipient of the nation's highest youth honour- Singapore Youth Award, and was the first Singapore artiste to be presented the "Best Asian Artist - Singapore" Award at the Mnet Asia Music Awards (MAMA) - a major Korean awards ceremony complimenting outstanding Kpop and international artistes. He has also received prominent music accolades such as the MTV Asia Award, AnugeraHitz.sg Awards, Temasek Award and 14 Anugerah Planet Muzik Awards till date.</p> <p>Taufik's humble and endearing personality has not only won a tremendous fan support throughout his career but also endorsements from popular consumer brands. His wholesome approach has gained recognition from government agencies, prompting him to be the top choice to front various national initiatives.</p> <p>Without a doubt, Taufik's determination and passion to fulfil his aspirations will continue to leave a significant impact in the music scene, shining through the region and beyond.</p>
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