# ENTERTAINMEN

# **JUNE 29, 1995 URBAN SINGLES**

BRANDY

MONICA

DA BRAT

MARY J. BLIGE

SOUL FOR REAL

TONY THOMPSON

JON B. / BABYFACE

DIANNA KING

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TOTAL

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VANESSA

XSCAPE

WILLIAMS

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**BRIAN McKNIGHT** 

VARIOUS ARTIST

RAPHAEL SAADIQ

T.L.C.

1. SCREAM

2. BEST FRIEND

3. WATERFALLS

4. DON'T TAKE IT PERSONAL

5. GIVE IT 2 YOU 6. I'LL BE THERE FOR YOU METHOD MAN /

7. EVERY LITTLE THING I DO

8. I WANNA LOVE

LIKE THAT 9. SHY GUY

10. SOMEONE TO LOVE 11. WATER RUNS DRY 12. MY LOVE IS FOR REAL PAULA ABDUL

13. CAN'T YOU SEE

14. FREEK 'N YOU 15. THE WAY THAT

YOU LOVE 16. FROGGY STYLE

17. HE'S MINE 18. CRAZY LOVE

19. FREEDOM 20. FEELS SO GOOD

21. ASK OF YOU

## TRAVEL with Bates

By Sandi Bate



Trip your imagination and explore the Soulful side of Singapore. The thrill of discovering its thick tropical RAIN FOREST is like stepping through an invisible window into another dimension.

Immerse yourself in the misty jungle and lakes that covers much of the middle of Singapore. The forest is incredibly diverse, it harbors more plant species than all of North America. Within the foliage dwell such oddities as the flying lemur. (a graceful critter with a long furry tail). the mouse deer, lizards, and a menagerie of tropical birds.

One of the great myths of modern Singapore is that most of the old buildings are gone. Singapore has the greatest store of colonial architecture left in Southeast Asia. There are hundreds of shop houses and more than three thousand old British style bungalows, which act as visual foils to the many high-rise flats and office

The typical Singapore shop house is a pastel tropical version of terrace houses found in towns along the southern coast of England. The overall effect is more like San Francisco, with its similar quilt of architectural styles, its patchwork of old and new. Singaporeans are deeply spiritual people. Those who are

not openly devout are unabashedly superstitious. Fortune tellers do a thriving business. Many people live by a set of ancient codes that determine the "yin and yang" of

Mirrors are strategically placed in homes and shops to keep demons at bay. Fish tanks are set near doorways so that negative energy will flow out of the room in the same direction as the water.

Valuable parcels of land remain vacant, because developers don't want to rouse restless souls who are said to dwell there. Ghosts are convenient scapegoats for nearly anything that goes wrong in Singapore.

stories The Singapore's hygiene fixation are no myth. I don't think you could find a more immaculate city, even in Switzerland. The streets are spotless, the lawns groomed and tidy. Much of its wholesomeness is self-enforced. Locals admit that their passion for sanitation can get out of hand. Even the subways are polished to perfection.

Billboards and flashy neon signs are heavily restricted in tidy Singapore, the government issues its dogmatic platitudes via lavish television ads, abundant posters, and a constant barrage of articles in

Singaporeans spend much of their time eating, and love their street food. You will find dozens of outdoor food centers

with the best chili crab and chicken ric. A vast array of various dishes are drawn from the culinary traditions of a dozen Asian nations.

The government's ongoing campaigns to educate and modify the behavior of average citizens leave their mark. There is constant debate across dinner tables and in the local papers overwhether the authorities take too much interest in the private lives of its citizens. Most people say they wouldn't have it any other way.

You will find princely shopping in Singapore. High tech-/high fashion variety in the cluster of department stores along Orchard road. You can buy anything from Gucci loafers to a gold Rolex. Sales take place every year after Christmas and the Chinese New Year.

TRAVEL TIPS

LODGING: If you want to feel you are in the tropics, stay among the orchids at Shangri-La. The food and service are

DINING: The most famous outdoorfood centeris NEWTON CIRCUS. The food is better and cheaper at the SEAFOOD CENTER and the open air restaurants such as Choon Seng. Expect to pay \$15.00 per

NIGHT LIFE: Forget the stale dance clubs and pick-up joints that once made Singapore night life predictable.

FABRICE'S, with its world beat music, is the current darling of the young and trendy. World famous artists have been known to turn up at the SAXOPHONE BAR during its live weekends and jazz festivals.

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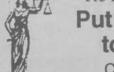
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