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Yung Raja hits all the right notes with students at *In Conversation With* session at Marina Bay Sands

The Singaporean artist shared career highlights and gave advice to local students



*Students with Marina Bay Sands' Senior Vice President of Resort Operations Paul Town and Yung Raja (centre) who attended this afternoon's *In Conversation With* session*

SINGAPORE (8 February 2020) – Rising Singaporean rap artist Yung Raja struck a chord with local students on Monday as he gave an exclusive career talk hosted by Marina Bay Sands.

The homegrown artist, who became the first Singaporean to be promoted globally by parent music label Universal Music Group, shared about his career journey and spoke earnestly about the challenges he faced as an actor, songwriter and rapper, to 40 attendees. They were from CARE Singapore, social enterprise Glyph, and Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT).

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Yung Raja addressing students at Marina Bay Sands' In Conversation With session this afternoon

Yung Raja was speaking at an ***In Conversation With*** session, an hour-long dialogue organised by Marina Bay Sands as part of the integrated resort's (IR) Corporate Social Responsibility programme, Sands Cares.

The event is one of the many ways the IR gives back to the local community, allowing for unique opportunities where aspiring young students can gain insights into the worlds of film, art and culture through the eyes of experts and celebrities.

Marina Bay Sands' Senior Vice President of Resort Operations, Paul Town, said: "Marina Bay Sands is always on the lookout for creative opportunities to give back to the local community. Our strong relationships within the entertainment industry have enabled us to bridge access between exceptional talent like Yung Raja with Singaporean youth, and to help inspire young adults to fulfil their potential in whatever path they choose."

Yung Raja said: "It's a tremendous honor to be given this opportunity to share my journey with all the students here alongside the team at Marina Bay Sands."

On Monday, 40 attendees including children and youths from as young as 11 were invited to attend the talk and ask Yung Raja questions about his career and creative journey to success.

Angelinaa Thayalnaayagi, 13, from Glyph, said: "The event was really fun! I really admire Yung Raja's confidence, and his values of hard work, positive mindset, and patience, and I hope to become as confident as him in the future. I will keep his words in mind whether I'm at school or in anything I do."

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Launched in 2014, the *In Conversation With* series continues to be a forum where young adults can gain knowledge and be inspired by leading figures in their respective career fields.

Past speakers who have participated in the series include music artists Jessie J, Corinne Bailey Rae, and Joss Stone; actors Tom Hanks, Irrfan Khan, Melissa McCarthy, Dev Patel, Michelle Yeoh and Choi Siwon; as well as film directors Darren Aronofsky, Antoine Fuqua, Shekhar Kapur and Ron Howard.

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