

SINGAPORE SCIENCE BUSKERS 2025

Teacher's Briefing

25 March 2025, 3PM





The Singapore Science Buskers is an initiative designed to engage children in science through creative street performances.

By combining busking with scientific demonstrations, it encourages kids to express scientific concepts in a fun, interactive way, making learning more accessible and exciting.





AIMS & OBJECTIVES



Foster Creativity

Generate great vibrancy and interest in science communication scene



Promote Science Communication

Communicate scientific ideas in an engaging manner



Cultivate Passion

To inspire future scientists and innovators by demonstrating how science can be both fun and relevant in everyday life



Engage the Public

To spark interest in science among the wider public



COMPETITION DETAILS

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

- 1 Age: 7 years and above
- 2 Individually or in teams with up to 3 members



REGISTRATION FOR AUDITIONS

Registration opens from 25 March (Tue) and closes on 20 May (Tue).

Registration Form:

https://for.edu.sg/ssb2025registration

CATEGORIES	AGE
Primary	7-12
Secondary	13-16
Tertiary	17 and above
Open	Non-students



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Disclaimer:

We welcome schools to send more than 1 team for this competition. However, if the category is full, we will be limiting the number of teams for schools that have sent in high numbers of participating teams. The capacity will be ratioed accordingly (i.e. NOT first come first serve basis)

WHAT'S NEXT?

- > After registering your teams, please allow us some time to allocate the slots for the auditions.
- > You can expect to receive your allocated slots by the end of May.



VIRTUAL WORKSHOP (OPTIONAL)

(Livestream for all)

When: 30 April (Wed)

Where: Online @ Zoom

> Open to all

Will be recorded and shared with our mailing list & website

Teachers may livestream the workshop to entire class too

AUDITION ROUNDS



When: 30 Jun (Mon) – 4 Jul (Fri)

Where: Onsite @ Marquee

2 SESSIONS PER DAY	
AM	0900-1230
PM	1400-1730

- Each team will be allocated a time slot in one of the sessions
- Up to 5 mins of busking + 5 mins of Q&A

Disclaimer:

Please note that teams from the same school <u>may not</u> be allocated to the same day/timeslot. Teams are expected to adhere to the allocated judging day/timeslot, <u>we will not be able to accommodate</u> <u>any request to switch schedule.</u>

ONSITE MASTERCLASS FOR FINALISTS (OPTIONAL)

Shortlisted teams will be informed via email on 22 July (Tue).

Format: Consultation session for each team

When: Early August

Where: Science Centre

> Allocation of days will be informed via email

Must be present for final round busking





Location: Bukit Panjang Plaza or Marina Square

Finals (Live Judging) & Award Ceremony	
Day 1	Late September (Dates to be
Day 2	advised)

FINAL ROUND (NEW FORMAT)



Previous Format (Old)

- Day 1 & Day 2: Judging Round
- Day 2: Award Ceremony



New Format

- Day 1: Judging Round + Award Ceremony (e.g. Primary Category)
- Day 2: Judging Round + Award Ceremony (e.g. Secondary and Tertiary/Open Categories)

SAFETY GUIDELINES



Only over the counter chemicals/materials are allowed

NO dangerous/hazardous materials and chemicals



No liquid nitrogen



No open flame or flammable gases



Gloves are a MUST

Please put on gloves when handling dry ice or chemicals



Max concentration of 3% for Hydrogen Peroxide is allowed



Use of tools or gadgets akin to assault weapons is prohibited

TIMELINE

Stage	Date	Activities
1	25 Mar (Tue)	Teacher's Briefing Registration Opens
	20 May (Tue)	Registration Closes
	End May	Allocation of slots for Auditions via email
2	30 Apr (Wed)	Virtual Busking Workshop (Optional)
	30 Jun (Mon) – 4 Jul (Fri)	Auditions (In person @ SCS)
	22 Jul (Tue)	Finalists Announcement via email
3	Early August	Masterclass (In person @ SCS)
4	Late September	Day 1 (Finals)
		Day 2 (Finals)

PRIZES

	Remarks	Prizes
Champion	All Categories	\$800 vouchers + Trophy/Medal + Cert
1 st Runner Up	All Categories	\$600 vouchers + Trophy/Medal + Cert
2 nd Runner Up	All Categories	\$500 vouchers + Trophy/Medal + Cert
Judges Award	5 for Primary3 for Secondary3 for Tertiary/Open	\$200 vouchers + Cert
3x People's Choice Award (Public Voting)	All Categories • Best Creative Busking • Best Dressed Team • Best Science Communication	\$200 vouchers + Cert

Judging Criteria

Score	Rubrics
35%	 Science Communication Explanations of demonstrations shown must be scientifically accurate and use scientifically precise and correct language without overwhelming the audience with jargon Ability to explain science concepts in everyday language without compromising the science accuracy
35%	 Showmanship Ability to engage, interest and excite the audience Ability to express the 'wow' factor in the busking Ability to make the audience feel inspired and walk away with the feeling that they have learnt something
30%	 Setup, Costume, Overall look and feel Creative and innovative ways of showcasing demonstrations Blending of the look & feel with the science concepts presented Creative booth design concepts

FAQ

Can we cover multiple topics or only one?

You can cover multiple topics, but please keep your busking within 5 minutes.

Can pre-recorded videos be shown during the auditions?

No, all forms of pre-recorded videos will not be allowed to be shown to the judges during the auditions. Singapore Science Buskers auditions will be mainly focused on the participants' live performance and interaction with our judges.

While fire is not allowed, may we use electric hot plate to heat things?

Yes, you are allowed to use an electric hot plate.

Are we required to submit a video for People's Choice Awards if we are shortlisted for the finals?

No, SSB 2025 People's Choice Awards will be based purely on onsite voting during the final busking round so do keep in mind to busk throughout the day to gather as many votes as you can!

FAQ

Are we allowed to change our demo topic?

Yes, you can but please kindly update us of the changes.

Can we use everyday materials or easy experiments for this audition?

Yes! Science busking is about keeping it simple for people to understand more about the science topics.

Can we add some lighting and mysterious fog during audition to create suspense?

Yes, you can! Creativity is one of the elements we look for when judging the entries in the audition!

TERMS & CONDITIONS

- The organisers reserves the right to substitute any one of the prizes with items of equivalent value at any time without prior notice.
- The organisers reserves the right to withdraw the prizes in the event that the winners do not comply with the contest terms and conditions.
- The organisers reserves the right to change, cancel, terminate and/or suspend this competition without prior notice.
- Participation in the competition and acceptance of prizes constitutes an irrevocable permission for the Organiser to use the winners' names and photographs for purposes of publicity and advertisment without any compensation or need for prior notification.
- The organiser shall not be responsible nor shall accept any liabilities of whatsoever nature and however arising or suffered by the participants and/or third parties resulting directly or indirectly from the contest or prizes.
- By participating, participants agree to be bound by these Terms & Conditions, and all decisions by the organiser are final and binding. The organisers reserve the right to change, amend, add or delete any of these Terms & Conditions without prior notice at any time and participants shall be bound by such changes.
- The category that participants provide upon registration is essential to be correctly assigned and judged.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

- <u>By submitting your application/registration</u> for participation in Singapore Science Buskers (SSB), you agree that:
- Any and all personal data submitted by you in the course of your application/registration for and participation in SSB may be collected, used and/or disclosed by the organisers for various purposes, including to communicate with you for purposes related to SSB, and such other purposes the organisers may reasonably deem appropriate, or in relation to which you have otherwise provided your consent;
- The organisers may collect, use, disclose and share with its joint organisers and/or service providers, your personal data, including photographs or audio-video or other recordings of you captured or obtained by or for SSB ("Material"), for publicity and/or use in advertisements across all media, including, without limitation, in the organisers' publications, presentations, promotional materials on its websites, in its original or edited format, whether to promote SSB or otherwise, and without further notification, remuneration or compensation to you'
- The organiser decision on all matters relating to this competition shall be final, conclusive and binding. The organiser is not obligated to give any reasons on any matter in the competition.

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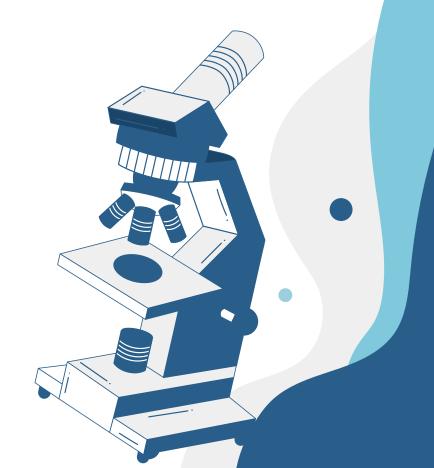
Filled with important updates like workshops, audition dates and photos of our events!



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THANK YOU!

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