



# If walls could talk

Here's where to spot the most eye-catching street art in the region

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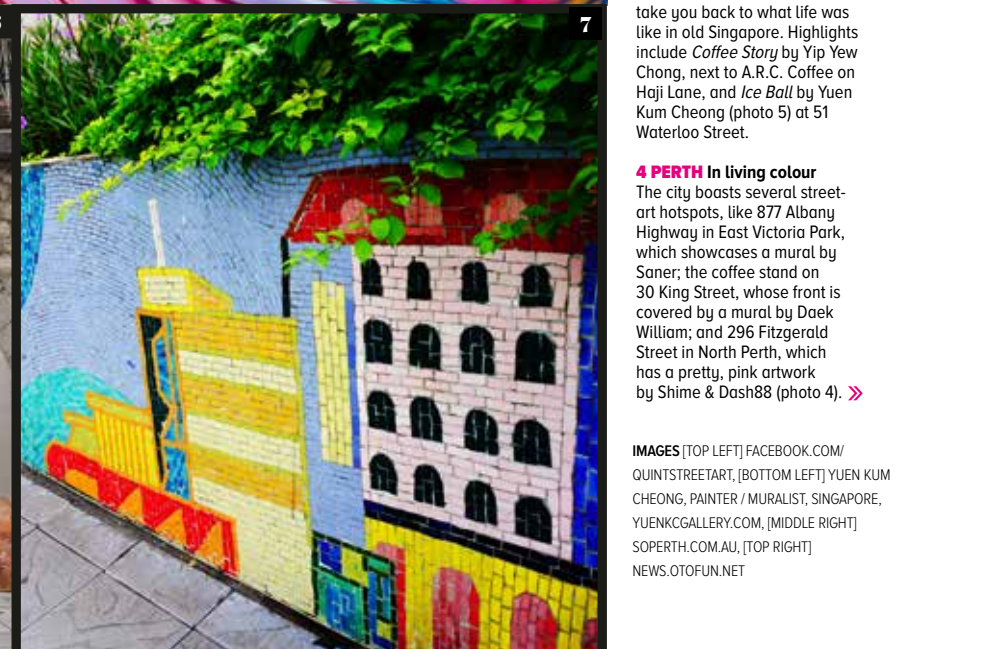


**1 BALI** Quirky art  
Head to Kuta, Seminyak, Denpasar and Canggu to check out murals by artists like Ricky Afdi, Sleenk, Slinat, Dnztwo and Quint (photo 1). Many of these artworks are fun and whimsical, while others tell stories about the social and environmental issues facing Bali today.

**2, 6, 7 HANOI** Cultural trip  
Stroll along Phung Hung Street in the Old Quarter (photos 2 and 6) and you'll notice a series of murals on the sealed archways of the railway viaduct. Most of these artworks depict scenes of traditional Vietnam. And don't miss the famous, 6.4km-long mosaic mural on Hanoi Ceramic Road.

**3, 5 SINGAPORE** Scenes from yesteryear  
Visit Tiong Bahru (photo 3), Amoy Street Food Centre, Haji Lane, Waterloo Street and Everton Park for murals that will take you back to what life was like in old Singapore. Highlights include *Coffee Story* by Yip Yew Chong, next to A.R.C. Coffee on Haji Lane, and *Ice Ball* by Yuen Kum Cheong (photo 5) at 51 Waterloo Street.

**4 PERTH** In living colour  
The city boasts several street-art hotspots, like 877 Albany Highway in East Victoria Park, which showcases a mural by Saner; the coffee stand on 30 King Street, whose front is covered by a mural by Daek William; and 296 Fitzgerald Street in North Perth, which has a pretty, pink artwork by Shime & Dash88 (photo 4). >>



9 MELBOURNE

**Laneway masterpieces**  
Laneways and alleyways are the best places to spot street art here. Literature Lane features a recent artwork by Adnate, inspired by the blockbuster movie *Black Panther*; and Hosier Lane (photo 9), ACDC Lane, Croft Alley and Duckboard Place also display countless famous paintings.

8, 10 HONG KONG

**Look on the bright side**  
Check out Alex Croft's colourful mural of shophouses at 43-45 Graham St in Central, the stunning *Rainbow Thief* by Okuda San Miguel on Man Fung Building (photo 8), and the Bruce Lee mural on Tank Lane in Sheung Wan (photo 10).

11 KUALA LUMPUR:

**Big and bold**  
The most striking murals include *Uncage the Beast* by Kenji Chai, on the wall of The Bee, Publika; *BRAVE* by Anokayer and Yumz, which is visible along Jalan Pudu; and *The Rodent Control*, a commissioned artwork by Escapeva, at Seksyen 52 in Petaling Jaya (photo 11).

12 MANILA: Larger than life

The city is full of oversized murals, such as *Pinuno* by Ang Gerilya, which can be seen on the side of an apartment building on the corner of San Andres Street and Osmena Highway; *Manpower* by Kris Abrigo (photo 12), on 3rd Avenue in Bonifacio Global City (BGC); and *Dating Tagpuan* by John Paul Antido, on the back of the Uniqlo Building on 30th Street.



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