
Lee Kong Chian Wing and Tan Chin Tuan Wing, University Hall

The University Hall is the key administrative and strategic nerve centre of NUS. Located at Lower Kent Ridge Road, this seven-storey complex comprises two interlocking wings - the Lee Kong Chian Wing (*below*) and the Tan Chin Tuan Wing (*opposite*) - named after two renowned business leaders and philanthropists in 2005, NUS' centennial year.

Designed to be architecturally inspiring and innovative, the two wings interlock and connect at the second storey via a linear bridge that also functions as an interaction space. Spatially, the building has maximum transparency and views with daylight penetration through skylight and clear glazed curtain walls giving a predominantly light, airy and lofty feeling. The University Hall features ceremonial and exhibition areas



for staff, alumni and stakeholders to meet and interact and for hosting University functions.

In 2005, the Lee Foundation made a \$30 million gift to NUS to fund the Alice Lee Centre for Nursing Studies at the Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, the Lee Kong Chian Scholarships and the Lee Kong Chian Centennial Professorships.

That same year, the University also received a \$29 million gift from the Tan Chin Tuan Foundation to fund the Tan Chin Tuan Centennial Professorships and enable NUS to embark on a series of collaborative programmes with Universiti Malaya (UM) in Kuala Lumpur – including



the establishment of the Tan Chin Tuan Visiting Professorship in Malay Studies, a Joint Studio Programme between NUS' Department of Architecture and UM's Faculty of Built Environment, as well as a co-teaching programme and joint student workshops between both Universities' Faculties of Arts and Social Sciences.

The timeless vision and munificence of the late Dr Lee and Dr Tan still benefit immensely the NUS of today.

