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Think you know a lot about Korean culture? How about stuff from 500 years ago? This exhibition fills you in from 22 April to 23 July 2017

Korean culture has been around a lot longer than the boybands and supergroups, and if you're keen on learning more than just the latest **Korean beauty trend**, the Singapore Asian Civilisations Museum will take you back to where it all began.

Joseon Korea: Court Treasures and City Life is a new exhibition that showcases 500 years of Korea's last dynasty, shining the spotlight on its legacy and impact on Korea today. Take a walk through history, and get a blast from the past across six sections in this exhibition – you'll discover everything from how Neo-Confucianism shaped the political climate of Korea to the everyday life of the *yangban* (Korea's aristocratic class), and even religious traditions and 18th century art.



Becoming Again; Coming Together by Ran Hwang



A replica of a king's ceremonial robe (L) and a six-panel screen of Sun, Moon and Five Peaks (R)

Seoul Awesome! Weekend Festival

A smorgasbord of music and dance performances, that also lets visitors sample Korean food and participate in a mass Taekwondo session.

Becoming Again; Coming Together

Award-winning artist, Ran Hwang, debuts her largest single mixed-media installation to date at this exhibition. Hwang's work is largely inspired by Zen Buddhism, including 7m-wide pins-and-thread mural of phoenixes and a 21-plexiglass panel video installation.

Guided tours

Is what you see of Joseon Korea in TV soap operas and movies historically accurate? Follow curators Kan Shuyi and Dominic Low as they distinguish between fact and fiction.

Fun-tastic Fridays

Fridays are good for family time – take the whole gang to dress up in traditional hanboks, catch a Korean movie, or even a traditional cultural performance and attend workshops together.

Joseon Korea: Court Treasures and City Life, 22 April – 23 July, Asian Civilisations Museum, 1 Empress Place, Singapore 179555. Admission charges apply for this special exhibition.