

CNM Homecoming Celebration 2014



As the sun set over the Town Green, members of the CNM family gathered around to celebrate Homecoming, that special time of the year when we at CNM honour the achievements of our wonderful graduating class and connect with old friends, alumni, faculty members, industry partners and current students. It is also a time when we recognize our staff and students who have contributed to making CNM a fun and vibrant place. Homecoming 2014 was held at the UTown Auditorium, on the evening of 8th July. This time there was a record turnout of over a hundred attendees, most of them alumni, faculty, and graduating students. The evening was kick started by the Head of the Department, Prof. Mohan Dutta, who in a brief but powerful speech, reminded the audience that creativity should come with a heart. The guest-of-honour for the evening, Mr Viswa Sadasivan, CEO of Strategic Moves Pte Ltd., a premier consultancy in corporate strategy and crisis communication, urged everyone not to be afraid to ask the difficult questions, the questions that no one else dares to ask. He reminded the students to give back to society now that they have had the privilege of education. The guests also enjoyed a very special treat, a video montage on Winning by students of the GEM module on Public Speaking. The Department then

recognised the exemplary contributions of students, alumni and faculty members. This year's CNM Honour Roll includes: Mr Bao Ercong – CNM Best BA Student In recognition of his excellent academic performance during his undergraduate years, with a CAP of 4.54.

Mr Brendan-Keefe Au Jun Ren – CNM Best B.Soc.Sci (Hons) Student

Another awesome academic performance during his undergraduate years, with a CAP of 4.67.

Ms Sua Wan Xin – CNM Best Student - Who contributed to Industry and Society in recognition of her outstanding contribution to industry & society.

Dr Leanne Chang – CNM Best Teacher - Undoubtedly one of the outstanding educators at CNM, Leanne has always been a favourite with the students.

Ms Filappova Anna – CNM Best Teaching Assistant - One of the most sought after teaching assistants, Anna has received many commendations from module coordinators for innovative ideas and mentoring students.

Dr Hoofd, Ingrid Maria – CNM Outstanding Researcher - Ingrid's research interests span Issues of Representation, Feminist and Critical Theories, and Philosophy of Technology. She has also been involved in various feminist and new media activist projects, like Indymedia, Next Five Minutes, HelpB92, and Next Generation.

Ms Norizan Bte Abdul Majid – CNM Outstanding Service Award - Norizan is not only Prof Mohan Dutta's Personal Assistant but also the department's favorite admin staff for all matters.

Ms Liyana Sulaiman – CNM Best Alumnus Award - In recognition of her outstanding contribution to industry and society.

Finally, the CNM Society president, Ms Chia Pui San encouraged the graduating cohort to stay in touch, introduced the class ambassadors and presented a congratulatory slide show with special messages from the faculty to the graduating class.

The evening was rounded off with a great dinner and fun at the photo booth. Congratulations to the awardees and the graduating class of 2014!