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http://vimeo.com/30414765 The annual M1 Singapore Fringe Festival, on the theme of Art & Faith in 2012, presents theatre, dance, music, visual arts and mixed media by Singaporean and international artists. Themed differently each year, the Festival aims to bring the best of contemporary, cutting-edge and socially-engaged works to the Singapore audience. The M1 Singapore Fringe Festival is set to be a creative centre, with a twin-purpose of innovation and discussion; a platform for meaningful and provocative art to engage our increasingly connected and complex world. Fringe 2012: Art & Faith Faith is not unlike religion, the latter which is defined as "the belief in and worship of a god or gods, or a set of beliefs concerning the origin and purpose of the universe." Faith encompasses that same definition, but goes beyond to include the same belief and confidence entrusted in a set of doctrines, tenets, systems, theories or individuals. In short, our firm and fervent belief in anything - from a religious order, to our culture, to our dietary preferences, to our favourite brand of clothing - could well be akin to our faith in them, depending on the sphere of pertinence these have (religious, cultural, social, personal). How we define faith – and conversely, how it defines us – is part of how we construct our world view and react on them. The symbols, rites and rituals we develop based on our faith affect the external world, and are themselves defined, constrained and morphed according to the limits of this same world.

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