



*Tan Chin Tuan*  
1908  
*Birth Centennial*

## CONSERVATION HOUSE AT 42 CAIRNHILL ROAD

Constructed in the 1930s, this Conservation House has been decorated so as to capture the history of the house. If walls could speak, the house would have many stories.

Occupied for almost six decades by my late grandfather, Tan Sri Tan Chin Tuan, we have tried to decorate the house with photographs and various memorabilia to capture parts of his life.

This was done, not just for the purpose of creating a monument or testimony to the life of a man but rather more significantly, to try to capture glimpses of my late grandfather's life which spanned 98 years.

These 98 years were a microcosm of the history of Singapore from the start of the century as a British colonial outpost to the turn of a next century when Singapore emerged as an independent country, acknowledged by the world as a financial and economic miracle.

Today the Conservation House remains in use as a hub for the Tan Chin Tuan Foundation and the Tecity Group, the investment group that funds the Foundation. Activities, meetings and discussions are held in the House as it remains a hub for business and social events.

Hopefully the photos and artifacts will, like the Conservation House, remain relevant for the future, as History carries many lessons for the future generations.

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