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## THE BELITUNG SHIPWRECK CARGO



The Southeast Asian Ceramic Society is pleased to announce a rare and privileged opportunity to visit the private storeroom housing the famous Belitung wreck cargo. The storeroom houses some 55,000 pieces of rare 9<sup>th</sup> century Tang dynasty ceramics recovered from an Arab dhow which sank sometime between 834 - 859AD off Belitung island which is located at the southeastern end of Sumatra.

Besides the ceramics, there is the opportunity to view a film specially created to explain the significance of the cargo as well as rare archival underwater footage of the dive site.

The storeroom is not open to the public and access to the storeroom may soon be stopped altogether as the collection may soon be moved out for various exhibitions.

The tour will be led by Alvin Chia (President, SEACS) who was involved in the acquisition of the cargo for Singapore.

We are inviting a very small group of **only 15 persons** to view the cargo.

**Date: Saturday 6 March 2010**

**Time: 10.00am.**

**Place: Hua Song Museum, Haw Par Villa, 262 Pasir Panjang Road, Singapore 118628**

Please make your reservations with our Honorary Secretary, Michelle Chin ([ceramic@seaceramic.org.sg](mailto:ceramic@seaceramic.org.sg) or telephone +65 9078 9150). Reservations will be taken on a first-come-first-served basis.