

# Candid Camera

As a photographer, you may wonder if you have the rights to take photos indiscriminately. There are cameras all over Singapore and even in JCC, taking photos of every move you make. Do they have the rights? Do you?

Sometimes you might clearly be invading someone's privacy, even though they have no grounds for any reasonable expectation of privacy doing what they are doing where they are doing it. In such cases it's up to the photographer's sense of ethics to decide whether or not to take the picture. It's also up to the photographer to use common sense. If you're thinking about shooting pictures of a street gang who don't want their pictures taken it would clearly be unwise to do so, especially if you are alone and on foot. *Quoted from Photography, the Law and Photographers Rights*

I tend to take photos of families and camaraderie which tell a story without the subjects being aware. Seldom do I take posed photos, although some photos may look posed. Maybe the subjects noticed me pointing the lens at them.

Here are some photos I took at recent events in April.

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