

# TEETH — THE FINISHING TOUCH

**S**ingaporeans are generally an attractive and fashion conscious people. But they tend to forget the most important and basic path to looking good: their smile. Dr Lee Hoon Hwee has been taking care of Singapore teeth for over two decades and she sat down with Exquisite recently to let us in on the secrets of a good smile.

## VISITING A DENTIST: OVERCOMING THE FEAR FACTOR

If you've put off going to the dentist in recent years, it's now time to go. Although there was a time when dentistry was a somewhat painful and daunting experience, dentists like Dr Lee Hoon Hwee are here to tell you that those days are long gone. "Nowadays, dental procedures are mostly painless, even root canal treatment. Some of my patients even fall asleep during long procedures. My heart goes out to people who have an undue fear of dentists and so allow their teeth to deteriorate unnecessarily because they dare not go for treatment."

## Cosmetic Dentistry: Good for you, good for business

Dr. Lee has been in practice for 23 years and still loves her work. She particularly loves the job for the ample opportunities it gives her to relieve patients of pain and improve their self-confidence. Dr. Lee has many interesting tales about how her dental work has changed peoples' lives. "I remember a newspaper journalist who was called upon to be a TV newscaster. The producer wanted her to close up the gap between her two front teeth", Dr. Lee related, "She quickly called on her brother-in-law who's a plastic surgeon. He referred her to see me. The two veneers were accomplished in one hour and she was pleased with how she now looked on TV. And to think she had lived with the problem all her life!."

Dr. Lee even gets involved in wedding preparations! Not just helping brides smile brighter on their wedding day but also improving the teeth of parents and in-laws who want their teeth to look just right for the big day. "I've met so many well dressed, well coiffed individuals who pay so little attention to the state of their teeth. It's time people look at their teeth as the finishing touch"



**Aesthetic Dentistry**  
(Smile Makeover)

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**Crown and Bridge**

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**Implants**

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**Oral Surgery**  
(Wisdom Tooth)

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**Root Canal Treatment**

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**Periodontics**  
(Gum Treatment)

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