

2019 civic education calendar available free of charge from tomorrow (with photos)

The following is issued on behalf of the Committee on the Promotion of Civic Education:

The 2019 calendar produced by the Home Affairs Bureau and the Committee on the Promotion of Civic Education (CPCE) will be available free of charge for collection at various locations from tomorrow (December 7).

The CPCE has adopted "Respect and Inclusiveness", "Responsibility" and "Love" as the main themes of the 2019 calendar, and again invited local animation designer John Chan to design the illustrations. By illustrating the interactions between the cartoon cat Din-Dong and its friends and family, he shows that civic values are closely related to our daily lives. He also encourages the public to respect each other and embrace different values to build a friendly and joyful community.

Chan said that he used Din-Dong's story to illustrate the calendar and bring out core civic values in a warm and humorous way. For example, February's illustration reminds people to care for the elderly during the Lunar New Year period, emphasising the importance of love. The design for March illustrates interactions between Ding-Dong and his friends, showing that although everyone has a different opinion, harmony in diversity can be achieved with respect and inclusiveness. December's illustration incorporates green messages and encourages the public to use environmentally friendly packaging or previously received gifts for Christmas gift exchange, demonstrating the civic value of responsibility.

The calendar will be available on a first-come, first-served basis at Home Affairs Enquiry Centres, public libraries, town halls, the Hong Kong Cultural Centre, the Hong Kong Museum of History and the Civic Education Resource Centre on 7/F, Youth Square, 238 Chai Wan Road, Hong Kong.

An electronic version of the calendar will also be available on the CPCE website (www.cpce.gov.hk/calendar2019) for downloading from tomorrow. For enquiries, please call 2802 0131.

