

Film Archive to present free screening of "The Raid"

The Hong Kong Film Archive (HKFA) of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department presents a special programme entitled "Cine Memories of the War of National Resistance" on September 3 every year to commemorate the victory of the war of resistance against Japanese aggression. "The Raid" (1991), selected for free screening this year, takes a light-hearted approach in revisiting the war and history.

Admission is free with tickets which will be distributed at the enquiry counter of the HKFA starting tomorrow (August 6) on Mondays and from Wednesdays to Sundays from 10am to 8pm. Each person can receive up to two tickets on a first-come, first-served basis while stocks last.

In 1932, the Japanese manipulated the last Qing emperor Puyi to establish a state in northeast China. Uncle Choi, a retired and patriotic military doctor in "The Raid", learns about a Japanese plan for building a chemical weapons factory. To prevent suffering by his compatriots, Uncle Choi is determined to smash the devious plan and sneaks into an opposition camp alone to find the factory map.

Co-directors Tsui Hark and Tony Ching both help draw the film away from a heavy tone despite its wartime background. Tsui adds an incredible playfulness and carefree spirit to the film, which was adapted from a popular local comic book, and Ching also makes the film an action-packed one.

For programme enquiries, please call 2739 2139 or visit www.lcsd.gov.hk/CE/CulturalService/HKFA/en_US/web/hkfa/programmesandexhibitions/2018cmwnr/index.html.

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of positions including registered Chinese medicine practitioner, library assistant, shop sales, clerk, security guard, bus captain, storekeeper, travel consultant, swimming coach, cinema staff, receptionist, waiter/waitress, chef and technician. Job seekers can find more information on the LD's Interactive Employment Service website (www.jobs.gov.hk).

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Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected cannabis buds and suspected methamphetamine (with photos)

Hong Kong Customs detected two suspected cases of drug trafficking on August 2 and 3 in which about one kilogram of suspected cannabis buds and about 2.2 kilograms of suspected methamphetamine with an estimated market value of about \$1.42 million in total were seized at the Hong Kong International Airport.

In the first case, Customs officers inspected an air mail parcel from the United States on August 2 and seized about one kilogram of suspected cannabis buds from a carton box inside.

Subsequent to follow-up investigation, Customs officers yesterday (August 4) arrested a 17-year-old man in Kowloon City who is suspected to be involved in the case. The arrested man has been released on bail pending further investigation.

In the second case, a female passenger arrived in Hong Kong from Nairobi, Kenya via Dubai, United Arab Emirates in the afternoon on August 3. Upon examination of her check-in baggage, Customs officers seized about 2.2 kilograms of suspected methamphetamine in chocolate look. The seized drug carries an estimated market value of about \$1.2 million.

The woman, aged 29, was arrested immediately and has been charged with one count of trafficking in a dangerous drug. She will appear at West Kowloon Magistrates' Courts tomorrow (August 6).

Under the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, trafficking in a dangerous drug is a serious offence. The maximum penalty is life imprisonment and a fine of \$5 million.

Members of the public may report any suspected drug trafficking activities to the Customs 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or dedicated crime-reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk).



Engaging learners with page-turners

Students and teachers at Po Leung Kuk HK Taoist Association Yuen Yuen Primary School dressed up as their favourite literary characters to discover the joys of reading.

News.gov.hk interviewed the students and the school's principal to see how they are fostering a strong reading culture.

The story appears on news.gov.hk today (August 5) in text and video format.