

Red flags at Ma Wan Tung Wan Beach and Kadoorie Beach lowered

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (June 28) that the Environmental Protection Department has classified the water quality at Ma Wan Tung Wan Beach in Tsuen Wan District and Kadoorie Beach in Tuen Mun District as Grade 2, which means the water quality has improved and the beaches are suitable for swimming. The red flags have been lowered.

The red flags were hoisted at the beaches earlier on due to the water quality being classified as Grade 4 and unsuitable for swimming.

LegCo Finance Committee meeting

The following is issued on behalf of the Legislative Council Secretariat:

The meeting of the Legislative Council (LegCo) Finance Committee originally scheduled at 3pm tomorrow (June 29) in Conference Room 1 of the LegCo Complex will start at 4pm.

Woman holding charged with murder and shooting with intent

Police today (June 28) laid a holding charge against a 44-year-old woman with two counts of murder and two counts of shooting with intent.

The woman was arrested on June 26 in suspected connection with a murder and attempted murder case inside a park on Taikoo Wan Road on the same day in which a man and a woman died, and another man and a woman were injured.

The case will be mentioned at Eastern Magistrates' Courts this afternoon.

Shilla Duty Free redefines retail experience at Hong Kong International Airport (with photo)

The Shilla Duty Free announced today (June 28) the official opening of its retail store chain at Hong Kong International Airport, taking an important step in the Korean travel retailer's continuous expansion plan in East Asia.

Following a six-month soft launch, the Shilla Duty Free features Beauty&You concept stores at the Hong Kong International Airport that emphasise the shopping experience for customers. To further enhance the brand's commitment to deliver a comprehensive beauty shopping experience, the retail spaces feature interactive engagement zones deploying digital technologies, virtual reality and in-house-developed beauty apps, according to the Managing Director of Shilla Travel Retail Hong Kong Limited, Ms Alice Woo. With around 200 brands on offer, the Shilla Duty Free also brings a list of premium brands new to Hong Kong International Airport.

Ms Woo said, "We are very pleased to announce the grand opening of the Shilla Duty Free's brand-new retail stores at one of the busiest airports in the world. Hong Kong International Airport hosts significant numbers of regional and international passengers and is an ideal location to expand our presence.

"With the launch of Beauty&You, we hope to redefine the airport retail experience and customer journey with a comprehensive brand profile presented in an interactive and engaging environment. Our aim is to deliver the ultimate shopping experience to a diverse audience in one of the most robust travel markets in the world."

Associate Director-General of Investment Promotion Dr Jimmy Chiang welcomed the opening of the Shilla Duty Free stores at Hong Kong International Airport. He said, "Hong Kong is a top shopping destination for international visitors and an important transportation and logistics hub. We are excited to see new beauty and fashion technologies being deployed in-store to enhance the retail experience. I look forward to the Shilla Duty Free's further expansion in Hong Kong and beyond."

About the Shilla Duty Free

An affiliate company of Samsung, the Shilla Duty Free is a travel

retailer offering over 1,300 world-famous brands in fashion, jewellery, cosmetics, perfumes, watches and more. In Korea, it operates four duty free outlets – two in downtown Seoul and Jeju and two at airports in Incheon and Jeju. It also has downtown duty free stores in Phuket, Thailand, and Tokyo, Japan, as well as the new shops at Hong Kong International Airport. For more information, please visit www.shilladfs.com/comm/kr/en/main or www.beautyandyou.com.hk/en.

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Results of applications for seventh-round funding exercise of Arts Capacity Development Funding Scheme announced

â€‹The Home Affairs Bureau today (June 28) announced the results of applications for the seventh-round funding exercise of the Arts Capacity Development Funding Scheme. A total of 13 successful applications for Project Grants will be funded to a total amount of around \$24.97 million.

A total of 43 applications were received for the seventh-round funding exercise. The successful applications are of high standard and with diverse representation across genres covering music, dance, theatre, visual arts, media arts, arts education, community arts and multi-disciplinary arts.

The successful applicants (in alphabetical order) are as follows:

Name of Organisation	Title of Proposal
The Chopin Society of Hong Kong Limited	The Fifth Hong Kong International Piano Competition/Joy of Music Festival 2019
Drip Music	Ensemble Transience: Composition & Improvisation
H.D. X International Festival Limited	Hong Kong Dance Exchange
Hong Kong New Music Limited	CARAVANSERAI
Hong Kong Open Printshop Limited	IMPACT 11 International Printmaking Conference Print Art: a Hub of Legend and Legacies @ JCCAC
Institute of Chinese Martial Studies Limited	Safeguarding the Community: A New Media Intangible Cultural Heritage Exhibition (working title)
Kunst EXA Limited x Kunst Intermodal Arts Therapy Centre	Art Flow in Senses
Make a Difference Institute Limited	Community Record Company
Opera Hong Kong Limited	To Foster Cultural Exchanges between Hong Kong and the Mainland through Hong Kong Young Talents
Pants Theatre Production Limited	Theatre in Society: 2nd Documentary Theatre Festival
Rooftop Institute Limited	Hok Hok Zaap (HHZ): 15 Initiatives of Engaged Learning in Art
Theatre Space Foundation Limited	The Detective House of Agatha Christie
Wong Fai Puppet Shadow Company Limited	Not The Puppets You Used To Know – Chinese Traditional Puppet Festival

Note: The award of grants is subject to the successful applicants' signing of funding agreements with the Government.

Introduced in 2011, the Arts Capacity Development Funding Scheme of the Home Affairs Bureau is administered on the advice of the Advisory Committee on Arts Development. Members of the Committee take part in the assessment of applications together with the Expert Advisers. The funding scheme aims to provide funding support for innovative and impactful proposals that contribute to the objectives of capacity development, programme/content development, audience building and arts education. It also seeks to provide an avenue of support for large scale and cross-year arts and cultural initiatives/activities so as to enhance capacity development for promising arts groups and arts practitioners as well as to encourage the community and

the private sector to support and sponsor the arts.