

LCSD's "Dance for All" Community Care Inclusive Dance Scheme commences today (with photos)

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department today (May 5) launched the "Dance for All" Community Care Inclusive Dance Scheme which runs until July 2025. This 15-month scheme, based at the Hong Kong Cultural Centre (HKCC), serves as a platform for people with different abilities to enjoy dancing together, thus achieving social inclusion.

Officiating at today's kick-off ceremony were the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services, Mr Vincent Liu, and veteran local dance artist and Artistic Advisor of the scheme, Andy Wong. In his opening remarks, Mr Liu recalled that during his visit to the Xinghai Concert Hall in Guangzhou last year, he came across an inclusive music programme for people with disabilities and found it meaningful. He shared the experience with colleagues and, with the support from Wong, the "Dance for All" scheme was launched today. Mr Liu expressed his hope that through the scheme, members of the public can feel the joy of inclusive dance.

Today, DancingAndy and Dancers collaborated with young people from four inclusive dance groups in a series of performances, including wheelchair dance. There was also an interactive session in which all audience members were invited to dance together. Approximately 1 000 people attended the event today, around 100 of whom were children with disabilities. The atmosphere was warm and the audience were keen to participate, fully showing the unity and harmony between disabled and non-disabled people.

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The "Dance for All" scheme provides year-long in-school training for 40 students at two special schools. This will culminate in a finale performance to be held in July 2025 at the HKCC Studio Theatre to demonstrate the fruits of learning. During the course of the scheme, a wide array of inclusive activities will also take place at the HKCC, such as a dance carnival featuring different inclusive dance groups, as well as a series of workshops and dance shows. Apart from local artists, a Swedish group that specialises in dance for neurodiverse children will come to Hong Kong and perform in July. Programme highlights will be uploaded onto the LCSD's Edutainment Channel to share with the public the scheme's progress. Please refer to the Annex for details of various programmes under the scheme.

For more details of the scheme, please call 2591 1300 or visit www.abo.gov.hk/en/scheme/idc2425.

To show care for senior citizens, people with different abilities and other communities in need, the LCSD has introduced the Community Care Series which offers a vast range of recreational, sports and cultural activities and facilities. More details can be found on its webpage at



