

“Honouring Tradition and Heritage: Min Chiu Society at Sixty” exhibition to open tomorrow (with photos)

An exhibition entitled "Honouring Tradition and Heritage: Min Chiu Society at Sixty" will be open to the public from tomorrow (February 19) at the Hong Kong Museum of Art (HKMoA). The exhibition will feature over 300 works of Chinese art selected from the diverse collections of Min Chiu Society members, showcasing artistic accomplishments and Chinese antiquities, to allow visitors to gain understanding of the history and culture behind these precious antiquities.

Established in 1960, the Min Chiu Society is a renowned collectors' organisation in both Hong Kong and overseas. Guided by its founding ethos, "An earnest pursuit of classic knowledge with a passion for antiquity", the Society has been an important cultural force devoted to fostering intellectual exchanges and collecting, as well as studying and promoting Chinese art. The HKMoA has been organising various kinds of exhibitions with the Min Chiu Society over the past years. To commemorate its 60th anniversary, the Society is collaborating again with the HKMoA to hold an exhibition featuring diverse collections from more than 40 collectors.

The exhibition will run from tomorrow until June at the HKMoA (10 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon). The diverse exhibits include calligraphy and paintings by Shen Zhou, Wen Zhengming, Wang Shimin and Dong Qichang from the Ming and Qing dynasties, as well as representative works of modern New China masters and early Hong Kong ink painting artists. Also featured are Chinese antiquities including celadon and white porcelain from the Song and Yuan dynasties; porcelain in underglaze blue and porcelain in polychrome enamels from the Ming and Qing dynasties; carved lacquerware, jade ware, bamboo carvings, Ming-style furniture and snuff bottles; and trade art that reflects the changes in the history of modern foreign trade.

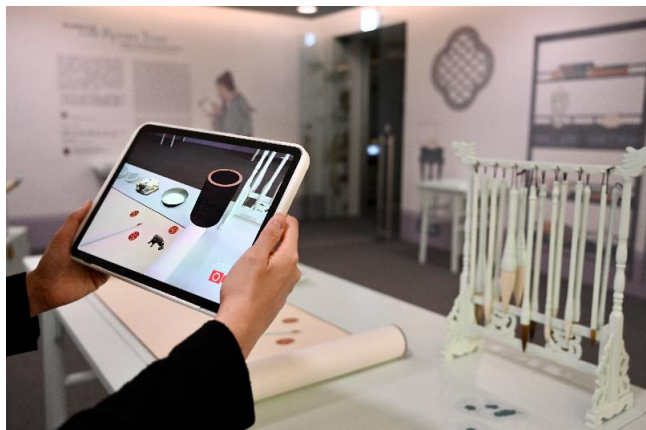
To tie in with the exhibition, the museum has invited a group of young artists to design and set up a traditional scholar's study studio. With multimedia exhibits and animated clips combined with augmented reality technology, visitors can learn all about the production of paintings, ceramics, jade carvings and silk work. They can also explore the tastes of traditional literati through the décor in the studio and the desk stationery. In addition, online guided tours, special lectures and concerts will also be held during the exhibition period. Details will be announced at a later date.

The exhibition is jointly presented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department and the Min Chiu Society, and co-organised by the HKMoA and the Society. The education programmes are sponsored by the Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust. æ€€

According to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F), users are required to scan the "LeaveHomeSafe" QR code or register their name, contact number and the date and time of the visit before being allowed to enter museums for necessary contact tracing if a confirmed case is found. Appeals are made to members of the public to download the "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile app in advance and scan the QR code with the app before entering. Members of the public who opt for registering their personal information at the scene are reminded to arrive earlier to avoid delaying their visits as a longer time is required for such registration.

In view of the latest situation of COVID-19, the museum will apply a quota to limit visitor flow. Visitors to the museum will need to use hand sanitiser and will be subject to temperature checks before admission. They also need to wear their own masks. Children under 12 will only be allowed to enter the museum and exhibition facilities when accompanied by an adult. For details of the exhibition and the admission arrangements, please visit the website at hk.art.museum/en_US/web/ma/exhibitions-and-events/honouring-tradition-and-heritage-min-chiu-society-at-sixty.html, or call 2721 0116 for enquiries.





Fatal traffic accident in Yuen Long

Police are investigating a fatal traffic accident in Yuen Long on February 12 morning in which a 60-year-old man died.

At about 8.10am, a bike driven by the 60-year-old man was travelling along Castle Peak Road – Hung Shui Kiu towards Yuen Long. Upon reaching LRT Hung Shui Kiu Station, the bike reportedly collided with another bike driven by a 20-year-old man.

Sustaining serious head injuries, the 60-year-old man was rushed to Tin Shui Wai Hospital in unconscious state. He was later transferred to Tuen Mun Hospital and certified dead at 10.42am today (February 18). The 20-year-old man, sustaining multiple injuries in conscious state, refused to receive medical treatment.

Investigation by the Special Investigation Team of Traffic, New Territories North is underway.

Anyone who witnessed the accident or has any information to offer is urged to contact the investigating officers on 3661 3800.

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 for 3pm tomorrow (February 19) in Conference Room 1 of the LegCo Complex will be held at 3.15pm (or an earlier time between 3pm and 3.15pm).

Public hospitals daily update on COVID-19 cases

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

As at 9am today (February 18), 28 COVID-19 confirmed patients were discharged from hospital in the last 24 hours. So far, a total of 10 298 patients with confirmed or probable infection have been discharged.

At present, there are 677 negative pressure rooms in public hospitals with 1 224 negative pressure beds activated. A total of 287 confirmed patients are currently hospitalised in 23 public hospitals and a community treatment facility, among which 18 patients are in critical condition, 14 are in serious condition and the remaining 255 patients are in stable condition.

The Hospital Authority will maintain close contact with the Centre for Health Protection to monitor the latest developments and to inform the public and healthcare workers on the latest information in a timely manner.

Details of the above-mentioned patients are as follows:

Patient condition	Case numbers
Discharged	9267, 7832, 9525, 9969, 10196, 10244, 10253, 10330, 10489, 10494, 10524, 10562, 10573, 10577, 10605, 10641, 10647, 10654, 10665, 10676, 10682, 10683, 10688, 10725, 10740, 10760, 10794, 10806
Critical	1989, 3496, 6125, 6547, 6607, 6794, 8018, 8078, 9049, 9135, 9612, 9907, 9953, 10358, 10367, 10379, 10585, 10611
Serious	6386, 7076, 7468, 8221, 9055, 9550, 9733, 9793, 9867, 9998, 10023, 10083, 10431, 10708

NAMCO opens first overseas DOCODOCO

indoor digital adventure playground in Hong Kong (with photos)

Japanese game centre operator NAMCO officially opened its first indoor digital adventure playground, DOCODOCO The LOHAS, in Hong Kong today (February 18), bringing a brand new entertainment experience to the city.

DOCODOCO The LOHAS is the company's first overseas DOCODOCO branch outside Japan and measures about 5 000 square feet. The playground has interactive elements incorporating the latest digital technology that creates immediate and true responses to children. The experience is like that of being in a fantasy adventure, stimulating the imagination and creating exclusive parent-child time, according to the President of Namco Enterprises Asia Limited, Mr Shuichi Kikuchi.

"We have been in the Hong Kong market for more than 40 years, bringing Japanese game centres with high-quality services and trendy premiums to amuse Hong Kong customers. Further to the SPORTAINMENT ARENA opened last October, DOCODOCO The LOHAS is another brand new entertainment experience that we have brought to Hong Kong." Mr Kikuchi said.

He added, "There is an increasing demand for entertainment facilities in Hong Kong, especially under the tough pandemic situation. With customers adopting an increasingly digital lifestyle, our game centres have also evolved over the years to create immersive entertainment experiences to satisfy young and trendy families. We are also planning new business both online and offline, hoping these new initiatives can bring more joy and happiness to our customers in Hong Kong."

Associate Director-General of Investment Promotion Dr Jimmy Chiang said, "We are happy to see a new and interactive indoor amusement playground has opened in Hong Kong. It brings not only another entertainment facility for parents and children, but also adds new impetus to the city's digital entertainment industry. We look forward to its further expansion in Hong Kong and beyond."

About NAMCO

NAMCO is an energetic Japanese game centre operator that offers safe and secure play space. It has 10 game centres in Hong Kong, including the indoor amusement playgrounds of Asobi Park PLUS in PopCorn, SPORTAINMENT ARENA in Telford Plaza and DOCODOCO The LOHAS in The LOHAS, altogether staffed with more than 150 retail employees. For more information, please visit www.namco.com.hk.

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