

# Hong Kong Art Gallery Association Presents Hong Kong Art Week – Autumn Edition

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Caption: The Hong Kong Art Gallery Association announced today Hong Kong Art Week – Autumn Edition that will launch on 27 October

(Hong Kong, 13<sup>th</sup> September 2016) The Hong Kong Art Gallery Association is delighted to reveal today that Hong Kong Art Week – Autumn Edition, sponsored by Bank of China (Hong Kong) Private Banking, will launch on 27 October 2016. Through the festival, over 50 member galleries will host a citywide public programme of over 100 art-focused activities, including gallery tours, artist talks, studio visits, family activities, and many other neighbourhood events, welcoming all Hong Kongers and visitors, from curious newbies to serious collectors.

"We want to tell any lover of culture and art that our doors are open to you. Come in and meet the gallerists! The culture of Hong Kong has been built on by its galleries, who in turn play an active role in the creative eco-system of the city, nurturing and showcasing our artists and the environment they work in." said Christine Chan Chiu, General Manager of the Hong Kong Art Gallery Association. The collective efforts and expertise of local players in the art scene have seen Hong Kong Art Week – Autumn Edition grow into a fully-fledged art festival of international standards that encompasses galleries, restaurants and nonprofit-organisations. Highlights of this year's expanded programme will include:

- The Gallery Walk for Charity, an exciting new event involving 50+ galleries in central Hong Kong's art neighbourhoods, performance artists, live music, restaurants and a major public art installation.
- Three unique interactive **Art Treasure Hunt** events throughout Hong Kong's art neighbourhoods that are being exclusively developed by iDiscover City Walks, and that will be linked to an accessible Map App being created for *Art Week Autumn Edition*.
- A two day **Art Symposium** held at the Asia Society and supported by the Mandarin Oriental, with headline speakers already confirmed including Sir David Tang (founder of Shanghai Tang and The China Club), David Elliott (curator, author and former Director of Mori Museum, former Artistic Director of Sydney Biennale), Suhanya Raffel (Executive Director, M+, WKCD), Charles Guarino (Publisher, Artforum Magazine), Jiyoon Lee (Managing Director, MMCA, Seoul), Linus Cheung (collector), William Lim (collector, architect, artist), Cherry Chan (Mills6 Foundation).
- Gallery Talks
- Art Day at South Island
- Family Art Day
- Gallery tours for students
- Art LATES at Soho189

Hong Kong Art Week – Autumn Edition is the largest ever art week presented by galleries across Hong Kong. Now in its fourth year the 2016 programme will continue to explore the unique and diverse nature of Hong Kong's art scene, and how that has enabled the city to grow into Asia's art hub.

Katie de Tilly, Co-President of the Hong Kong Art Gallery Association said: "The Art Week – Autumn Edition complements the series of international art fairs and events that dominate Hong Kong's Art Week in March, and celebrates the year-round offerings of the city's galleries and cultural organisations."

Wendy Tsang, Managing Director and Head of Private Banking of Bank of China (Hong Kong) Private Banking commented on Art Week - Autumn Edition: "We are very proud of our relationship with the Hong Kong Art Week -Autumn Edition as it enters its fourth year and are delighted to support the collaborative event that has now expanded into a city-wide cultural festival that engages with Hong Kongers from all walks of life. Bank of China (Hong Kong) Private Banking, is dedicated to supporting local creative talent and we are excited to be able to play an active part in encouraging the local art scene to thrive."

Tickets for The Gallery Walk for Charity can be purchased at <u>www.ticketflap.com</u>. All other Art Week – Autumn Edition events are free, tickets are limited and can also be registered for at <u>www.ticketflap.com</u>

## Further programme details to be announced.

#### Images



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Caption: Art Week – Autumn Edition x iDiscovery City Walks Mobile Map App

#### High-resolution images can be downloaded here:

Link: <u>http://gallery.sinclairasia.com/</u> Password: talkofthetown

# About Hong Kong Art Week – Autumn Edition

Each November brings Hong Kong Art Week – Autumn Edition (previously known as Hong Kong Art Gallery Week), a week-long Arts Festival of Talks, Tours, Studio Visits, Art LATES as well as a Family Art Day. This 12 day long festival, in addition to other gallery events, fosters a culture of gallery-hopping to familiar and new audiences in one of Asia's most dynamic cities!

## About Hong Kong Art Gallery Association

Founded in 2012, the Hong Kong Art Gallery Association is a member based non-profit organisation of established art galleries in Hong Kong, open to all galleries incorporated in Hong Kong. With over 50 art galleries – and arowing as members, its mission is to advance the Hong Kong art gallery community by providing one voice to its members, reaching out to the local and international art community, and helping deepen market knowledge and best practice amongst its members.

For more information, please visit www.hk-aga.org

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