

Hong Kong Art Week 2017 – "ARTROPOLIS" launches today

A 12-day festival celebrating a city dedicated to the latest in contemporary culture

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(Hong Kong, 15 November 2017) Hong Kong Art Week ("HK Art Week") 2017 – "ARTROPOLIS" launched with an exciting two-part evening celebration. The Art Car was unveiled at Four Seasons Hotel Hong Kong, and celebrations continued with a cocktail party at Christie's Hong Kong. Supported by over 50 galleries and organised by the Hong Kong Gallery Association ("HKAGA"), HK Art Week is a continuous effort to nurture public engagement with art and celebrate the city's vibrant art community. The presentation of the Art Car marked the official start of Art Week. This Super Formula SF13 race car was given a design makeover by Hong Kong based French photographer Cyril Delettre, and will be on public view until 21 November. Under his project theme – Eclosions, the artist transformed his photographs of Hong Kong street scenes into kaleidoscopic images, which he used to cover the entire car body. Guests also had their first taste of a new cocktail, "Formula 2k", created by mixologists at Four Season's Blue Bar especially for HK Art Week.

In attendance were notable guests such as **Mr. Lawrence Yu Kam-kee SBS**, **MBE**, **JP**, **Mr. Wesley Wan**, President of Hong Kong Automobile Association, **Mr. Benjamin Lam**, Chairman of Porsche Club Hong Kong and **Mr. Yonatan Kachko**, Hotel Manager of Four Seasons Hotel Hong Kong.

Billed as one of the highlights of the Hong Kong cultural calendar, HK Art Week, which takes place from 15 to 21 November, features a diverse programme of activities for the public to engage with art and interact with the city's art community. It is a culmination of efforts by gallery owners, art experts and curators that will appeal to anyone from seasoned collectors, to young professionals, to families with children. Special events include an Art Day at South Island, the Art Symposium - titled "Asia: New Frontiers in Art" – the Gallery Walk for Charity and a Family Art Day, making this edition of HK Art Week a true embodiment of our city's thriving cultural scene. As the HKAGA Co-president Angela Li says, "Life can be blended with art. I hope that Art Week activities, such as the HKAGA Gallery Walk for Charity and Art Day at South Island, will change the public's perception of art galleries - making them feel more down to earth. And in time people will include visiting galleries and all kinds of art exhibitions in their regular weekend activities."

Unmissable highlights include **The Gallery Walk for Charity (21 November)**, where participants will see the first ever collaboration between the **Hong Kong Ballet** and HKAGA, see latest art exhibitions and sample complimentary wines and canapés. Exhibitions of high profile artists include local Art scene veteran **Frog King (Kwok Mang Ho)'s** 70th birthday retrospective at **10 Chancery Lane Gallery**, China's leading contemporary painter **Fang Lijun**'s latest exhibition at **Hanart TZ Gallery**, and celebrated young artist **Jacky Tsai** solo exhibition at **Contemporary by Angela Li**. On Art Day at South Island, artist **VHILS** will open his brand new Wong Chuk Hang studio for visitors.

To encourage visitors to make the most of HK Art Week and visit as many galleries as possible, there is a city wide "Art Treasure Hunt", where visitors can collect "stamps" from participating galleries and win gifts such as complimentary tickets to the Chocolate Museum at The Peak and a beautiful colouring book by artist Eleanor McColl. During HK Art Week, Instagram posts taken at events and hashtagged with #hkartweek are be eligible to win prizes such as round-trip tickets to Los Angeles (courtesy of American Airlines), Beats Solo Wireless 3 headphones and gifts from The Mandarin Oriental, The Peninsula Hotel, Ovolo Southside and more.

Bank of China (Hong Kong) Private Banking continues to sponsor HK Art Week, underscoring the importance of artistic development in securing Hong Kong's reputation as a world-class financial and cultural centre. "2017 is a special year to celebrate. It is the 20th anniversary of Hong Kong's return to the motherland and also marks the 100th anniversary of Bank of China's service to Hong Kong," said Wendy Tsang, Managing Director and Head of Private

Banking of Bank of China (Hong Kong) Private Banking. "We are particularly proud to present our new headquarters in the refurbished historic Bank of China Building, and to nurture the ever-growing success of HK Art Week, which we have been supporting for five consecutive years. We are delighted to play a part in bringing the dynamic city-wide programme of this year's Art Week to the community, and showcase the vibrant art scene of Hong Kong."

Fur full programme and details about HK Art Week 2017, please visit: http://www.hkartweek.org

Tickets for Gallery Walk for Charity are available through ticketflap: https://www.ticketflap.com/the-gallery-walk-for-charity-2017

About HKAGA

Founded in 2012, HKAGA is a member-based non-profit organisation of established art galleries in Hong Kong. With over 50 member-galleries, the mission of HKAGA 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 practices among members. HKAGA is a single point of contact for the art gallery community in Hong Kong and is the chief advocate for development of the local art community. Since 2014, HKAGA has been officially recognised as grant recipient of Hong Kong Arts Development Council for its dedication and promotion of the arts scene in Hong Kong.

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

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APPENDIX: Hong Kong Art Week Key Events

ART CAR

Lobby, Four Seasons Hotel Hong Kong

15 – 21 November Open Daily A Super Formula SF13 race car with its body design completely reimagined by French photographer Cyril Delettre will be on display at the Four Seasons Hotel Hong Kong.

ART SYMPOSIUM

Asia Society Hong Kong Center

2.30 – 6pm Friday 17 November and 9.30pm – 6pm Saturday 18 November Asia Society Hong Kong plays a vital role in Hong Kong's cultural life. During HK Art week, HKAGA will host, with Asia Society's generous venue sponsorship, a fascinating series of talks by local and international speakers on the topic; "Asia: New Frontiers in The Art World", aimed at offering new opportunities and the latest observations to members of Hong Kong's art community. The Art Symposium and all HK Art Week events are free and open to the public.

Online registration is available at:

https://www.ticketflap.com/hong-kong-art-week-2017-symposium

For full details of the speaker programme, please visit: http://www.hk-aga.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/Art-Symposium-2017-Rundown-for-Speakers.pdf

THE GALLERY WALK FOR CHARITY

Various locations in Central, Sheung Wan and Sai Ying Pun

5pm – 10pm Tuesday 21 November The Gallery Walk for Charity will bring a festival atmosphere to the streets from Central to Sai Ying Pun, with the addition of performances by the Hong Kong Ballet. This year, The Gallery Walk raises money for three local charities with a focus on art and community programmes: The Women's Foundation, Sovereign Art Foundation and HKAGA's Artist Residency Abroad Funding Scheme (ARAFS) and education programmes.

Tickets available at:

https://www.ticketflap.com/the-gallery-walk-for-charity-2017

Standard tickets: \$390

Groups of 10 or more: 20% off discount

Students: \$250

*All purchases are subject to \$10 handling fee

ART DAY AT SOUTH ISLAND

Various locations in Wong Chuk Hang, Ap Lei Chau and Tin Wan

12 – 7pm Saturday 25 November

Gallery-hopping art lovers can take in all that HKAGA's South-Side member galleries have to offer. Tours, talks and performances will supplement this chance to catch all of the latest exhibitions, see exclusive performances and meet the artists behind the work in Wong Chuk Hang, Ap Lei Chau and Tin Wan.

12pm-7pm: Plate painting workshop at Faux

12pm-7pm: Paper making workshop at Cristina Moroño's

studio

2pm: Oboe solo performance at Alisan Fine Arts

3pm: Louise Soloway x MTR Cheif architect Andrew Mead

talk at Ap Lei Chau

5pm: Quartet music performance at Pékin Fine Arts

6pm: Trio music Performance at Sin Sin Atelier

FAMILY ART DAY

Olympic Square, Hong Kong Park

11am – 5pm Sunday 26 November

Open to young and old alike, Family Art Day is a chance to get involved with creative outdoor activities that will engage the whole family. Parents and children can attend arts and crafts workshops run by art organisations such as Asia Society, K11 Art Foundation and Affordable Art Fair. Art Loop will lead a large-scale collaborative fingerprint painting, and Pure Yoga will run outdoors yoga sessions.

11am: Activities start

- Affordabe Art Fair Coffee Filter Butterflies & postcard design
- Asia Society Hong Kong Center Animal suncatchers
- Art Loop collaborative fingerprint painting
- Hong Kong Art Gallery Association "Cityscape Silhouette" stencilling workshop
- K11 Art Foundation Animal masks & fabric animal pots
- KidsFest (ABA Productions) e-Polaroids
- Sovereign Art Foundation Emotion wheels

2:00 - 2:40pm #YogaForAll by Pure Yoga

2:45 - 3:05pm Storytelling workshop with Faust

3:10– 3:25pm Appearance from "Gruffalo" the mascot courtesy of KidsFest

3:45– 4:15pm #YogaForAll by Pure Yoga

APPENIDX: Hong Kong Art Week Full Programme

15 November 2017 (Wed), 6pm-8.30pm

Opening Reception – "SCREAMS" (Christian Marclay – Artist present)

White Cube, G/F - 1/F, 50 Connaught Rd., Central

15 November 2017 (Wed), 6pm-8pm

Opening Reception – "MASATOSHI MASANOBU" (Masatoshi Masanobu)

Axel Vervoordt Gallery, 15D Entertainment Bldg., 30 Queens Road Central, Central

16 November 2017 (Thu), 6pm-8pm

Opening Reception – "Far East Chronicle" (Eric Fok – Artist present)

Karin Weber Gallery, 20 Aberdeen St., Central

16 November 2017 (Thu), 6pm-8pm

Opening Reception – "Dual Sim" (Gary Mok – Artist present)

Galerie Ora-Ora, G/F, 7 Shin Hing St., Central

16 November 2017 (Thu), **6pm-8pm**

Opening Reception – "Zhou Yangming" (Zhou Yangming – Artist present)

PEARL LAM GALLERIES (Hong Kong), 601-605 Pedder Bldg., 12 Pedder St., Central

16 November 2017 (Thu), **6pm-9pm**

Opening Reception – "Fall Exhibition" (Zeng Nian, Cyril Delettre, Almond Chu, Frederic Jager; Artist present: Cyril Delettre)

La Galerie Paris 1839, G/F, 74 Hollywood Rd., Central

(RSVP: contact@lagalerie.hk)

17 November 2017 (Fri), **6pm-8pm**

Opening Reception – "Subsidiary Construction" (Gimhongsok – Artist present)

Perrotin, 17/F, 50 Connaught Rd. C., Central

17 November 2017 (Fri), **6.45pm-7pm**

Artist talk – "A Conversation with Gimhongsok" (Moderated by Alexandra Seno)

Perrotin, 17/F, 50 Connaught Rd. C., Central

(RSVP: rsvp.hk@perrotin.com before 15 Nov)

18 November 2017 (Sat), **3pm-5pm**

Art Talk "History Matters: The Past in the Arts"

(Eric Fok, Emily Allchurch and Manfred Yuen– moderated by Dr. Yeewan Koon)

Karin Weber Gallery, 20 Aberdeen St., Central

19 November 2017 (Sun), 10pm-12pm

Photo Envy: a guided photo walk through the bustling and vibrant streets of HK with photographers Michael Kistler and Tricia Darling

Central & Sheung Wan, Meeting point: 38 Peel St., Central

(RSVP: michaeldkistler@gmail.com before 16 Nov; limited to 30 participants)

20 November 2017 (Mon), 3pm-4.15pm

Talk - "Thinking Beyond the Market"

(Friedrich Petzel, Willem Molesworth, Claire Shea, moderated by Elaine Ng)

*co-hosted by Duddell's and HKAGA

The Library, Duddell's, Level 3, Shanghai Tang Mansion, 1 Duddell St. Central (RSVP: programs@duddells.co)

20 November 2017 (Mon), 6pm-8pm

Book Launch & Talk: "MASATOSHI MASANOBU"

(Panel members Koichi Kawasaki and Yeewan Koon; moderated by Ysabelle Cheung)

The Library, Duddell's, Level 3, Shanghai Tang Mansion, 1 Duddell St. Central (RSVP: programs@duddells.co)

21 November 2017 (Tue), **12pm-2pm**

Panel Discussion: Alejandro Guijarro, Cyril Delettre, with Videotage HK

Eaton House, 5/F, Champion Tower, 3 Garden Rd, Central, Central

(RSVP: 2803 2089 / rsvp@galeriehuit.com.hk)

21 November 2017 (Tue), 6pm-9pm

"ARTYZE STREET" Opening Reception

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"ARTYZE Wall": Coffee Tasting (CEET – Artist present)

ARTYZE, G/F, 32-34 Tai Ping Shan St., Sheung Wan

(RSVP: info@artyze.com)

21 November 2017 (Tue), 5pm-10pm

Opening reception "My Journey" (Xu Songbo – Artist present)

Fabrik Gallery, 1102 Nam Wo Hong Bdg., 148 Wing Lok St., Sheung Wan

21 November 2017 (Tue), **5pm-10pm**

Book Presentation – "MASATOSHI MASANOBU"

Axel Vervoordt Gallery, 15D Entertainment Bldg., 30 Queens Road Central, Central

21 November 2017 (Tue), **6pm-8pm**

Opening Reception – "Rambling in the Dark" (Xu Dawei)

Leo Gallery, G/F, SOHO 189 Art Lance, 189 Queen's Rd. W., Sai Ying Pun

21 November 2017 (Tue), 6pm and 8pm

Guided tour by the artist – "Jonah: Currents and Flux from the Ocean"

KONG Artspace, 3 Staunton St., Central

21 November 2017 (Tue), 6pm-8.30pm

Opening Reception – "Glimpse of Ink" (Artists present : Kwan Sze-Fong, Wong Chan-Hung)

Galerie Koo, 7/F Vogue Bldg., 67 Wyndham St., Central

21 November 2017 (Tue), 6pm-9pm

Opening Reception – "Passage of Time" A poetic meditation (Ha Manh Thang - Artist present)

Affinity Art, 1/F, 1 Queen's Rd. W., Central

21 November 2017 (Tue), **6.30pm-8.30pm**

Opening Reception and Documentary Screening – "Sparks" (Sin Sin Man – Artist Present)

Sin Sin Fine Art, 52 Sai St., Sheung Wan

21 November 2017 (Tue), **6.30pm-8pm**

Acoustic Performance by Jules & Macca

Van Rensburg Galleries (Pak Tze Lane Pop Up) 1/F, 32 Gage St., Central

21 November 2017 (Tue), **7pm**

Artist talk: Jaime Ruiz and Olga Margaritaz – "Jonah: Currents and Flux from the Ocean"

KONG Artspace, 3 Staunton St., Central

21 November 2017 (Tue), 7pm - 8.30pm

Calligraphy by Frog King

10 Chancery Lane Gallery, G/F, 10 Chancery Lane

21 November 2017 (Tue), 8pm-9.30pm

Ora-Ora x Groovie Production - Live on the Steps of Shin Hing Street

Galeria Ora-Ora, G/F, 7 Shin Hing Street, Soho

22 November 2017 (Wed), 6pm-8pm

Opening Reception "Human Nature" (Jacky Tsai – Artist present)

Contemporary by Angela Li, G/F, 248 Hollywood Rd., Sheung Wan

22 November 2017 (Wed), 6.30pm-8pm

Art in The 1980s East Village, New York: Artist Frog King (Kwok Mang Ho) in conversation with Sabrina Fung

The Library, Duddell's, Level 3, Shanghai Tang Mansion, 1 Duddell St, Central (RSVP: rsvp@10chancerylanegallery.com)

22 November 2017 (Wed), **7:30pm-pm**

Guided Tour "Chinese Ink Painting Exhibition DOG" (with Artist TK Chan)

V54, 54 Village Road, Happy Valley, Hong Kong

(RSVP: <u>blinkgalleryhk@gmail.com</u>)

23 November 2017 (Thu), **6pm-9pm**

Nightcap in Sansiao Gallery HK

Sansiao Gallery, Room 104-5 Wilson House, 19-27 Wyndham Street, Central

23 November 2017 (Thu), 6pm-9pm

Opening Reception "Beyond the Brick Wall" (Veronica Green – Artist present)

Van Rensburg Galleries, 1/F, 32 Gage Street, Central (entrance via Pak Tsz Lane)

(RSVP: beulah@vanrensburg-galleries.com)

<u>24 November 2017 (Fri)</u>, **11am-12pm**

Gallery Talk "Beyond the Brick Wall - A discussion of process" (Veronica Green)

Van Rensburg Galleries (Pak Tsz Lane Pop Up), 1/F, 32 Gage Street, Central (entrance via Pak Tsz Lane)

(RSVP: beulah@vanrensburg-galleries.com)

24 November 2017 (Fri), 6pm-8pm

Opening Reception – "Remnants" (Alejandro Guijarro - Artist present)

Galerie Huit, Room 205 - 208, 2/F, 334 - 336 Kwun Tong Road, Kwun Tong

24 November 2017 (Fri), From 6:30pm

Opening Reception "Solo exhibition of Pan Gongkai" (Pan Gongkai - Artist present)

Kwai Fung Hing Art Gallery, G/F, 20 Ice House St., Central

<u>24 November 2017 (Fri)</u>, **6pm-8pm**

Opening Reception – "The Preservationists" (James Carl, Lee Lee Chan, Hu Fang, An Te Liu, Andrew Luk, Aniwar Mamat, Tang Kwok Hin and more)

Performance by Tang Kwok Hin at 7pm

Duddell's, Level 3, Shanghai Tang Mansion, 1 Duddell St. Central

(RSVP: program@duddells.co)

24 November 2017 (Fri), **7.30pm-9.30pm**

Frog King (Kwok Mang Ho) Special Live Light Performance in collaboration with Lumières

10 Chancery Lane Gallery, G/F, 10 Chancery Ln., Central

<u>25 November 2017 (Sat)</u>, **12pm – 7pm**

Special Public Opening "3-Dimensional Ink: Paintings, sculptures, installation & sound" (Nan Qi, Mok Yat-san, CC Ling Pui-sze - tbc)

Alisan Fine Arts (Tin Wan), 2305 Hing Wai Ctr., 7 Tin Wan Praya Rd., Aberdeen

25 November 2017 (Sat), 12pm-7pm

Demonstration & Interactive Workshop

Artist Studio of Cristina Moroño, Unit 8, 20/F Oceanic Ind. Ctr., 2 Lee Lok St., Ap Lei Chau

25 November 2017 (Sat), 12pm-7pm

Special Public Opening – "Sparks" (Sin Sin Man)

Sin Sin Atelier, Unit A, 4/f, Kin Teck Ind. Bldg., 26 Wong Chuk Hang Rd.

<u>25 November 2017 (Sat)</u>, **3pm-4pm**

Artist talk with Louise Soloway

Artist studio of Louise Soloway, Unit 18, 14/F, Oceanic Industrial Centre, 2 Lee Lok St., Ap Lei Chau

25 November 2017 (Sat), 3pm-6pm

Opening Reception – "Wheels of Fire" (Massimo Antonaci – Artist present) Rossi & Rossi, 3C Yally Ind. Bldg., 6 Yip Fat St., Wong Chuk Hang

25 November 2017 (Sat), **4.30pm-6.30pm**

Opening Reception – "Hans Hartung (1904 - 1989) Abstraction: A Human Language"

de Sarthe Gallery, 20/F Global Trade Sq., 21 Wong Chuk Hang Rd., Wong Chuk Hang

25 November 2017 (Sat), **4pm-7pm**

Opening Reception – "IDOL: Lin Hairong 2017" (Lin Hairong – Artist present) Longmen Art Projects, 19F, Suite 1905-06, Global Trade Sq., 21 Wong Chuk Hang Rd., Wong Chuk Hang

25 November 2017 (Sat), 4pm-6.30pm

Opening Reception – "Hong Kong Stories 1960's – original vintage prints by Yau Leuna"

Blindspot Gallery, 15/F Po Chai Ind. Bldg., 28 Wong Chuk Hang Rd.