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“The Wharf Hong Kong Secondary School Art Competition” Now Opens for Entries A newly established Scholarship and Arts Tours to Help Students Dreams Come True

(Hong Kong – 11 December, 2012) To promote art development in Hong Kong, three shopping malls of Wharf Estates Limited (“Wharf”) namely Harbour City, Times Square and Plaza Hollywood jointly organize “The Wharf Hong Kong Secondary School Art Competition” for the second year. This time around, the winning students will not only be invited to join an arts and cultural exchange tour to Beijing, China, but also a chance to receive a scholarship to pursue further study in their desired art courses locally or overseas.

To kick off the project, “The Wharf Hong Kong Secondary School Art Competition” Press Conference was held today (11 December) at Ocean Terminal Main Concourse, Harbour City. Miss Doreen Lee, Executive Director, The Wharf (Holdings) Limited and Mr. Grant Preisser, Vice President, Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD) Hong Kong has attended to announce the details of the competition. The winning students of last year also joined us to share their experience of participating the competition and joining the cultural exchange tour. To welcome Christmas, 65 secondary students were invited to design Christmas cards onsite and create a giant Christmas tree together.



With a mission of “Building for Tomorrow”, Wharf strives to provide appropriate resources and opportunities for grooming our next generation. The Group for the second year organizes “The Wharf Hong Kong Secondary School Art Competition” to boost young people’s creativity and foster their interest in arts and culture, with an ultimate goal of promoting art development in Hong Kong. The competition is open to full-time secondary school students in Hong Kong who are free to create their work on any themes.

Highly commended by the education sector, the previous competition received overwhelming response with about 2,000 entries of exceptional quality from 250 secondary schools across 18 districts in Hong Kong. In April 2012, the top 18 winners participated in an arts and cultural exchange tour to Taipei where the winning students visited a number of well-known art spots, participated in art workshops, and exchanged views with art scholars, significantly broadened their creativity and artistic vision.

Highly Acclaimed Judging Panel

The judging panel comprises a group of renowned art professionals in Hong Kong, including Dr. Kan Tai Keung; Prof. Kurt Chan Yuk Keung, Professor of Fine Arts Department, The Chinese University of Hong Kong; Ms. Claire Hsu, Co-Founder and Executive Director of Asia Art Archive; Dr. Yeewan Koon, Assistant Professor of Fine Arts Department, The University of Hong Kong; Mr. Grant Preisser, Vice President, Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD) Hong Kong and top management of The Wharf (Holdings) Limited. Entries will be judged according to their originality, creativity, skill and artistic merit.

A Newly Established Art Scholarship to Realize Students' Dreams in Art

Another highlight for this year's competition is an Art Scholarship Scheme eligible for winning students who desire to further their study in art, which not only will expand their art knowledge but also will also a dream comes true.

An Opportunity to Participate in an Arts and Cultural Exchange Tour in Beijing

In 2012, the top 3 winners and other shortlisted participants will be invited to an arts and cultural exchange tour to Beijing, China. Apart from visiting museums and participating in guided tours to learn more about local arts and culture, it will be a rare opportunity for the students to exchange views with art scholars. In addition, the winning students will have an opportunity to take on courses offered by renowned art institutions in Hong Kong. Last year winning students went to Taipei for a week for an art and cultural exchange program.

In addition, roving exhibitions for the winning and outstanding entries will be held in Harbour City, Times Square and Plaza Hollywood next year to showcase our young talents' creativity to a wider audience.

Wharf is committed to promote art development in Hong Kong. Harbour City, Times Square and Plaza Hollywood are keen to utilize their space as art platforms to continuously bring inspiring and interesting art events to the public. Since 2006, the three malls combined have collaborated with nearly 200 local and foreign artists or parties to organize a number of large-scale art exhibitions. It not only injects artistic elements to the malls, but also integrates arts into everyday life. Through this year's art competition, the Group aims to provide learning and exchange opportunities for young people and in the meantime, establish an art platform for the new generation of high potential local artists.

The competition is open for entries from now until 6pm, 25 March 2013. For details and entry form, please click [here](#) or visit: www.harbourcity.com.hk / www.timessquare.com.hk / www.plazahollywood.com.hk

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