

# Campus Community News

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### Welcome Back

Welcome back to all staff and family members at CUHK and warm Campus Greetings to all our new staff. We hope you will enjoy living and working at CUHK—it is certainly a beautiful campus, despite the seemingly endless parade of construction projects, with buildings rising and falling with the wind. We hope you will enjoy being a part of this community and become an active member (we here at CCN are always looking for volunteers!). The campus is bursting with things to do and organizations to join on your 'off time', organized by the Colleges, Sir Run Run Shaw Hall and the Art Museum, to name just a few. Our own CCN provides a monthly Arts Calendar, researched and written by Charlotte Weiss. This is the main feature of our September Issue, and we hope it will encourage you to explore Hong Kong's exciting and comprehensive Arts scene. The Chinese University Women's Organization also offers many opportunities for you to become involved and make connections within the campus. And the younger members of the campus community do not miss out either, with our own Bookworms library providing a convenient location and wide selection of books to borrow (see details on page 2).

For further information visit the CUHK homepage and follow links to the colleges, SRRSH and the Art Museum. For CUWO, e-mail: [cuwo.cuhk@gmail.com](mailto:cuwo.cuhk@gmail.com) and for the Campus News call The Editor, Gillian Kew on 9231 1724 or email [gilliankew@yahoo.com](mailto:gilliankew@yahoo.com)

### What's Happening?

It is now a year since the campus community lost its mail van as a result of Hong Kong Post's need to maximise profits (despite their claims otherwise) and we are still waiting for the promised replacement self-serve posting system. Staff in the university's business section have continued to push the post office and have recently informed us that Hong Kong Post are planning to "*place the 1st Kiosk in one of the post offices for pilot implementation first in the third quarter of 2009*". We are further informed that, "**Subject to the implementation result, [Hong Kong Post] might be able to extend the service points including the University in the last quarter of 2009**". As yet, though, there is no sign of a kiosk, although I believe we are in the third quarter of the year – the business section have promised to keep us informed. Meanwhile, we here at CCN will also keep our beady eyes open...

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### Bookworms Children's Library opens again on Saturday, September 5th.

There are books for all ages, from toddlers to secondary.

There are also children's CDs (English and Chinese) and cassette tapes (English).

**Library Hours:** Saturdays 10 a.m. – 12 noon (Closed public holidays)

**Location:** Residence 14, Basement Level, CUHK (Stairway at the back of the building, near the playground). **For information call:**

Joan Tsui at 2651- 6917 **Volunteers are always welcome! Let us know if you are free to help out one Saturday each month.**



**'Peace to all who enter here'**  
**A visit to Home of Love** by Anita Chan

It's the call of love that put us to work – a trip to Shamshuipo to witness the services of those who follow the footsteps of Mother Teresa. Under a torrential downpour a small group of CUWO members traveled to the shabby part of Shamshuipo. Walking precariously underneath the flyover, we dodged the rain from above. We bought three chunky bags of vegetables from a stall along the pathway for the day's needs in the Home.

Bringing along some old clothes and household articles, we arrived at Cheong Chit House in Nam Cheong Estate, Shamshuipo. The sisters in their habits received us with smiles and introduced the basic functions of the Home. There are totally eleven sisters running the Home with a provision of around fifty beds accommodating both males and females needing immediate refuge. Security in the women's dormitory is not under tight security, presenting a hidden threat to the overwhelming peace. Two separate dormitories (one male and the other female) on the ground floor take up most of the space. On the 1<sup>st</sup> floor, there is a tiny chapel with a confessional and two flat units serving as the domicile for the sisters.

In addition to the 'live-in' service provided by the sisters, free meals are provided for those in dire need of food. As reflected by one of the sisters, they will turn out those drunkards, drug abusers or smokers from the Home. Those who freely 'come and go' are believed to be clean in the Name of God. The busy, well-trained sisters move like bees between the two floors, where their strong faith in peace and love can be perceived. Their faces show that love does not measure, but just gives.

If you would like to make any donation, such as pillows, bed sheets, quilts, you can send them to the following address, or mail your cheque payable to: **Missionaries of Charity, to Nam Cheong Estate, Block 6 Cheong Chit House, G/F, Shamshuipo, Kowloon, Hong Kong. Tel 2386 7707 Sister Wong**



## Arts Calendar - Charlotte Weiss

Welcome to another arts-filled year in Hong Kong. Whether you're a new or returning member of the campus community, please take a moment to check out the vibrant cultural scene in Hong Kong which offers one of the best performing and visual arts hubs in the world at an affordable price.

In a basic introduction, I've listed contact numbers and web sites for the major venues around town. It's easy to buy tickets and even book in advance to enjoy a night out on the town, culturally-speaking. If you live on campus or nearby, many events take place at Shatin Town Hall. Another major venue is TST's Cultural Centre, a direct trip via the MTR (University) to TST East, Exit J through Sogo and up the stairs to the Cultural Centre complex. Chinese University's Music Department also offers many free concerts with a very high standard –they are held in a beautiful little concert hall, the Lee Hysan, found in Chung Chi College's *Esther Lee*, the main administration building. The programmes sponsored by CU's Cultural Centre at Sir Run Run Shaw can be found in a separate brochure available all over campus.

PLEASE take advantage of Hong Kong's cultural scene; the value for money is incredible and unparalleled elsewhere in the world. See you at the concerts/movies/exhibitions, etc.!

(Note: LCSD refers to the *Leisure and Cultural Services Department*, the government sponsor of most arts events in Hong Kong)



### PHONE NUMBERS AND BOX OFFICES FOR TICKETS:

**APA BOX OFFICE ENQUIRIES:** 2584-8514; HK TICKETING: 311-288-288 --this number is for APA (Academy for the Performing Arts) events which are located near the Convention Centre in Wan Chai. HK Ticketing has outlets around town including all Tom Lee Music stores (including the one in Shatin New Town Plaza). **URBTIX RESERVATIONS:** 2734-9009 --URBTIX outlets

are in Shatin Town Hall, City Hall in Central, and the Cultural Centre in TST as well as in other town halls. You can

book any event three days in advance by phone and pick up the tickets at any URBTIX outlet within that time period. All events not held at the APA are listed here.

### USEFUL WEB SITES and general information/performance schedules:

**\*Hong Kong Academy for the Performing Arts (APA, Wan Chai):** [www.hkapa.edu](http://www.hkapa.edu)

The APA is Hong Kong's conservatory for the arts –it offers many free concerts and exhibitions throughout the year that showcase the students as well as the teachers' talents. Other non-APA events such as theatre and ballet often take place in APA's Lyric Theatre,

**\*Hong Kong Arts Centre (Wan Chai):** [www.hkac.org.hk](http://www.hkac.org.hk) The Hong Kong Arts Centre features many locally-produced events – you'll also find the *Agnes B. Theatre* where many "Art House" films are shown.

**\*Hong Kong Cultural Centre (Tsim Sha Tsui) and Hong Kong City Hall (Central):** [www.hkculturalcentre.gov.hk](http://www.hkculturalcentre.gov.hk) These are the two main venues for LCSD's performances and naturally offer the biggest variety in town. You can find brochures describing all upcoming events at any URBTIX outlet as well as advance tickets (see above).

**\*Hong Kong International Film Festival (ongoing throughout the year):** [www.hkiff.org.hk](http://www.hkiff.org.hk)



The actual film festival takes place around Easter each year but has expanded to include regular mini-festivals with themes centered on a particular director or film genre. The films are usually shown at the Agnes B. Theatre (HK Arts Centre), the Space Museum (TST's Cultural Centre), the Science Museum Lecture Hall (HK Science Museum in TST East) or the HK Film Archive Theatre (Sai Wan Ho). Also see: [www.lcsd.gov.hk/fp](http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/fp) for special film series.

## MAJOR PERFORMING GROUPS:

City Chamber Orchestra of Hong Kong ([www.ccohk.com](http://www.ccohk.com))

City Contemporary Dance Company ([www.ccdc.com.hk](http://www.ccdc.com.hk))

**Hong Kong Ballet** ([www.hkballet.com](http://www.hkballet.com))

•16-18 & 23-25 October *Romeo and Juliet, the Ballet* at Cultural Centre Grand Theatre (more details in October's CCN but book your tickets now!)

**Hong Kong Chinese Orchestra** ([www.hkco.org](http://www.hkco.org))

•18-19 September *The Soaring Dragon – Celebrating the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the PRC* at Cultural Centre Concert Hall (a fun-filled drumming concert with *Red Poppy* and *The 8 Mallets*)

**The Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra** ([www.hkpo.com](http://www.hkpo.com))

•11-12 September *Great Performers: Thibaudet dazzles in Liszt* at Cultural Centre Concert Hall

•20 September (3:00pm) *Great Composers: Project Wagner with the HKAPA* at Cultural Centre Concert Hall

•25-26 September *Great Performers: The singing actress – Anna Caterina Antonacci (opposite)* at Cultural Centre Concert Hall

**The Hong Kong Sinfonietta** ([www.HKSL.org](http://www.HKSL.org))

•11 September *Viva Beethoven, Noriko Ogawa, Piano* at City Hall Concert Hall (features an all-Beethoven programme)

Opera Hong Kong ([www.operahongkong.org](http://www.operahongkong.org)) (look out for a big production in November of Mozart's "The Magic Flute")

Here's a brief glance of some other upcoming events for September:

On Campus: (Lee Hysan Hall)

•10 September -8:00pm *Recital: Jennifer Chou, organ*



## Arts Calendar

•15 & 17 September -7:30pm - *Liang Gu-Yin, Ji Zhen-hua and The Shanghai Kunqu Opera Troupe*

•25 September -8:00pm - *Recital: The Taipei Chamber Singers* (tickets available for following events at URBTIX outlets or by advance reservation at 2734-9009 - tickets must be picked up within 3 days of booking)

**In Shatin Town Hall:** - •12 September - *Concerto for 3 Pianos*, Pan Asia Symphony Orchestra (this concerto was composed by Gabriel Kwok and the Lio Brothers)

•18-19 September (limited tickets!) *Raymonda: The Kiev Ballet (Ukraine)*

•16-17 October - *Tango-A-Tierra*, (Argentina) (another fantastic chance to see "real" tango with live music)

**At Other Venues:** - •21 September - *Recital: Andrew Simon (clarinet) and Warren Lee (piano)* at City Hall Theatre

•23 October - *The Sydney Symphony, Victor Ashkenazy, conductor* at City Hall Concert Hall (Rachel Cheung, Hong Kong's own prize-winning pianist, will be featured in Rachmaninov's Piano Concerto #2 –tickets will sell out fast for this)

**SPECIAL EVENT:** - •9 October – 11 November - *Silk Road Arts Festival* at various venues across town (this is a huge festival that is LCSD's 2<sup>nd</sup> largest endeavor of the season and this year's theme is centered around the Silk Road. Pick up the beautiful brochure at any URBTIX outlet for complete booking/performance information; ticket sales started in mid-August so try to get events lined up soon that you don't want to miss. I highly recommend this festival which includes everything in the domain of arts! (see [www.silkroadfestival.gov.hk](http://www.silkroadfestival.gov.hk) for additional information)

(tickets for the following at **HK TICKETING: 311-288-288 + Tom Lee outlets**)

•8-20 September (various times with matinees and evening shows) - *The Complete Works of Shakespeare (abridged)* at the APA's Drama Theatre

•9-20 September (various times with matinees and evening shows) - *Ice Ballet: Cinderella on Ice* at the APA's Lyric Theatre



**At the art Museum, CUHK - Exhibition: The Bei Shan Tang Legacy: Gifts of Chinese Art** Venue: Galleries I to IV, Art Museum Date: 5 September 2009 to spring 2010 Museum hours: 10 am to 5 pm daily. Closed on public holidays Website: <http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/ics/amm> Email: artmuseum@cuhk.edu.hk Tel: 2609 7416 Fax: 2603 5366

**Bei Shan Tang** was the private studio name of the late Dr. LEE Jung Sen (1915-2007). Dr. Lee had and his family have unwaveringly supported CUHK from its founding in the early 1960s, being instrumental in building the Institute of Chinese Studies (including the Art Museum), donating art and antique objects, establishing professorships, and sponsoring research projects and scholarships. The majority of the Bei Shan Tang collection, has been generously donated to the Art Museum. This exhibition introduces the cream of this gift. The content is rich and comprehensive - ranging from paintings, calligraphy, ink rubbings, jade, ceramics, to sculpture, scholarly objects, bamboo carvings, seals and bronzes. The display will be installed in the four galleries of the Art Museum with the following themes: I - painting, II - ceramics and decorative art, III - calligraphy, and IV - rubbings and epigraphy.

