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The 3rd **JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power** Features over 50 Free School Programmes

Fostering the Collaboration between Hong Kong Artists and Schools



[Hong Kong, 3 October 2019] Presented by the Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC) and funded by The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, **the 3rd edition of JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power (JCNAP 2019)** will present a full range of educational activities for participation by students during the Festival's period from September 2019 until January 2020.

JCNAP 2019 opened in September with its first showcase programme ***The Big Happy Dying***. Coinciding with the new school term opening, **JCNAP 2019** kicked off more than 50 educational events for schools to partake. The eight performing groups of **JCNAP 2019** will go beyond traditional venues to reach out to teachers and students through open rehearsals, school visits and guided tours. The celebrated home-grown artists of these performing groups will tour local kindergartens, schools and universities with in-school workshops and master classes. They will conduct interactive activities with teachers and students for them to gain insight of the creative concepts and production process behind distinctive art works.

JCNAP 2019 school programmes are tailor-made for students with different interests and of all school levels. For example, during the school tour sessions, students can enjoy a sneak preview of selected performing programmes including ***The Big Happy Dying*** by *Class 7A Drama Group*, ***L'Orphelin*** by *Théâtre de la Feuille* and ***Dunhuang Reflections*** by *Hong Kong Dance Federation*.

Besides, students will also participate in extended activities including workshops and games led by the performing groups to explore the theme of each arts programme. For example, the popular local saxophone ensemble La Sax has created the “**Saxo Carnival of the Animals workshops**” for kindergarten children to play little music games and sing along with the music. Secondary students who are interested in dance can participate in “**Time to Talk: Interactive Dance Workshop**” designed by choreographer *Lai Tak-wai*, where they will have a hands-on experience of contemporary dance and dancing with large props used in the performance *So Low*. Students can also take part in renowned choreographer *Daniel Yeung*’s “**When Lion Meets Dance**” workshop to pick up some fundamentals of lion dance and contemporary dance, as well as the opportunity to attempt at contemporary choreography. Through these activities, students benefit from both enjoying the arts performances and learning practical knowledge about the artistic creations.

In addition to campus programmes, school students can attend open rehearsals of various performances organised at the performing venues. Organised prior to the performance, the open rehearsals will allow them a sneak preview of the show and the opportunity to experience the behind-the-scene production process. Moreover, guided tours for the visual arts exhibition ***Borrowed Scenery*** will be available for students at the Cattle Depot Artists Village, where they will have a guided introduction of various art pieces on display.

During open rehearsals and school visits, each student will receive an education kit, which is designed to facilitate better understanding of the background and content of each artistic work. The education kit is both a fact sheet of artists’ works and an ‘edutainment’ guide with basic knowledge about related artistic form, games and situational questions for students to indulge themselves in.

School programmes are now open for registration. Please visit <http://newartspower.hk/> for programme details and application forms download.

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About JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power

JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power, founded in 2017, is an annual Arts Festival presented by the Hong Kong Arts Development Council with the funding support from The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust. The Festival brings together established and emerging local artists to produce creative, approachable and engaging arts experiences for all. Over the past two years, 28 arts groups have participated in the festival. Together they produced 48 live performances and a remarkable number of major exhibitions. Uniting art groups and various organisations from the social welfare, academic and commercial sectors, the festival held over 300 community and school events, reaching some 270,000 participants. The 3rd edition of **JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power** will be held from September 2019 to January 2020, featuring a total of 9 arts programmes that includes dance, theatre, music, visual arts exhibition, school activities, as well as site specific events and community celebrations.

About Hong Kong Arts Development Council

Established in 1995, the Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC) is a statutory body set up by the Government to support the broad development of the arts in Hong Kong. Its major roles include grant allocation, policy and planning, advocacy, promotion and development, and programme planning. The mission of HKADC is to plan, promote and support the broad development of the arts including literary arts, performing arts, visual arts as well as film and media arts in Hong Kong. Aiming to foster a thriving arts environment and enhancing the quality of life of the public, HKADC is also committed to facilitating community-wide participation in the arts and arts education, encouraging arts criticism, raising the standard of arts administration and strengthening the work on policy research.

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School Programmes of *JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power 2019*

Programme	Date and Time	Venue	Target
Theatre			
Class 7A Drama Group <i>The Big Happy Dying</i> Open Rehearsal	13.09.2019 (Fri) 15:00	Cultural Activities Hall, Sha Tin Town Hall	Secondary 3 or above
Class 7A Drama Group <i>The Big Happy Dying</i> School Tour	09.2019 – 12.2019	Applied secondary schools	Secondary 3 or above
Théâtre de la Feuille <i>L'Orphelin</i> Open Rehearsal	18.09.2019 (Wed) 15:00 19.09.2019 (Thur) 11:00 ; 15:00 20.09.2019 (Fri) 15:00 21.09.2019 (Sat) 11:00	Cultural Activities Hall, Sha Tin Town Hall	Secondary 3 or above
Théâtre de la Feuille <i>L'Orphelin</i> School Tour	09.2019 – 12.2019	Applied primary and secondary schools	Primary and secondary students
Family Music Performance			
La Sax <i>JunGo!</i> Open rehearsal	11.10.2019 (Fri) 11:00 ; 15:00 18.10.2019 (Fri) 15:00 08.11.2019 (Fri) 15:00	5/F Theatre, Sheung Wan Civic Centre Cultural Activities Hall, Tsuen Wan Town Hall Theatre, Ngau Chi Wan Civic Centre	Primary and secondary students
La Sax <i>Saxo Carnival of the Animals</i>	09.2019 – 12.2019	Applied kindergarten	Kindergarten students

Dance			
Lai Tak-wai Time to Talk: Interactive Dance Workshop	08.10.2019 (Tue) 11:00 09.10.2019 (Wed) 15:00	ArtisTree, TaiKoo Place	Secondary 3 or above
Lai Tak-wai So Low Open Rehearsal	05.12.2019 (Thur) 15:00 06.12.2019 (Fri) 11:00	Multi-media Theatre, HKICC Lee Shau Kee School of Creativity	Secondary 3 or above
Daniel Yeung Contempo Lion Dance Open Rehearsal	08.11.2019 (Fri) 15:30	Haw Par Music	Secondary 3 or above
Daniel Yeung When Lion Meets Dance Workshop	10.2019 - 12.2019	Applied primary and secondary schools	Secondary 3 or above
Tang Shu-wing, Xing Liang, Mui Cheuk-yin Thunderstorm Open Rehearsal	12.12.2019 (Thur) 11:30 ; 16:00	Multi-media Theatre, HKICC Lee Shau Kee School of Creativity	Secondary 3 or above
Mui Cheuk-yin, Ng Mei-kwan Dancing Literary Classics Workshop	10.2019 – 12.2019	Applied secondary schools	Secondary 3 or above
Hong Kong Dance Federation Dunhuang Reflections Open Rehearsal	20.12.2019 (Fri) 11:00 ; 15:00	Auditorium, Yuen Long Theatre	Primary 3 or above
Hong Kong Dance Federation Dunhuang Reflections School Tour	09.2019 – 12.2019	Applied primary and secondary schools	Primary 3 or above
Visual Arts Programme			
André Chan X Jing Chin-yin Chong Borrowed Scenery Guided Tour	19.12.2019 (Thur) 15:00 ; 16:00 20.12.2019 (Fri) 15:00 ; 16:00 09.01.2020 (Thur) 15:00 ; 16:00 10.01.2020 (Fri) 15:00 ; 16:00	Cattle Depot Artists Village	Secondary 3 or above