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Hong Kong Arts Development Council presents
JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power 2020 / 2021
Multidisciplinary Arts Festival coming back in September as scheduled
Demonstrating quintessential value of local arts
Exploring new possibilities of arts creation

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[Hong Kong, 2 September 2020] Presented by the Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC) and funded by The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, ***JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power (JCNAP)*** is coming back from strength to strength, presenting 7 performances, 2 exhibitions, and more than 100 educational and community events from September 2020. In response to the latest development of COVID-19, some ***JCNAP*** programmes will be broadcasted through online streaming. For latest update and programme details, please visit the official website (www.newartspower.hk) or check out the “Programme Highlights Vol.1” e-book on (http://bit.ly/ProgHighlights_1).

JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power is dedicated to promoting outstanding Hong Kong artists and bringing their internationally acclaimed works back on Hong Kong stage for appreciation by local audience. The nine arts groups participating in this year’s Festival include Hoi Chiu; Joseph Lee; Leung Chi Wo; Zheng Bo; Bel Canto Singers; La P en V Innovation Dance Platform; Pants Theatre Production; Unlock Dancing Plaza and Spring Glory Cantonese Opera Workshop. They will present a variety of arts programmes spanning the genres of theatre, dance, modern musical, experimental theatre and visual arts exhibition.

Ms Winsome Chow, the Chief Executive of HKADC, says, “This is a very testing year for all sectors in Hong Kong, including arts and culture. Despite facing unique challenges, we persist to present ***JCNAP*** as planned. Not only is this in support of our local artists, we believe it is also meeting art lovers’ anticipation and fostering their interests in various arts and culture programmes. We are closely monitoring the situation and will remain flexible to utilise both online and offline methods of presenting this year’s programmes. We hope these new arrangements will allow audiences to stay connected when social connections and entertainments are needed more than ever. This is also a great opportunity to be reconnected with outstanding local productions.”

Ms Winnie Yip, Executive Manager, Charities (Grant Making – Arts, Culture, Heritage and Talent Development) of The Hong Kong Jockey Club says, “The Club’s Charities Trust is honoured to support **JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power** for the fourth consecutive year. The programme encourages arts creation, promotes arts education and enables arts accessibility for all, so as to further develop our city’s arts ecology. This coincides with one of the Club’s Charities strategies which is to enrich lives and promote social inclusion through arts.”

In the face of venue and time limitations, **JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power** participating artists and production teams are actively exploring new creative possibilities to present their works. Here below is the latest arrangement of various programmes in September.

- **Bel Canto Singers *When Mozart meets Da Ponte***: The show will be performed online on 5 September 2020 at 8pm for free viewing by general public. The Post-show Talk with artists will be live streaming to online audience through video conference platform and **JCNAP**’s social media platform at 8:30pm on 7 September 2020.

- **We Are (digitally becoming) Spectacle(s)**: Choreographer Joseph Lee together with the creative cast will host an open rehearsal over video conferencing tool and broadcast on **JCNAP**’s social media platform from 4pm to 5:30pm on 13 September 2020. This live rehearsal invites audience to get a taste of a show’s creative process and engage in the discussion of “see-and-be-seen” experience. This programme is co-presented by **JCNAP** and Tai Kwun.

- **La P en V Innovative Dance Platform *Au-delà du Temps***: The live performance originally held from 25 to 26 September 2020 (Fri-Sat) will be cancelled. Please stay tuned for further updates.

The **JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power** YouTube channel ([www.youtube.com/JOCKEYCLUB NewArtsPower](http://www.youtube.com/JOCKEYCLUBNewArtsPower)) is now launched. In addition to full version live streaming and free broadcast afterwards within specific time, various specially produced content including making-of, highlights and guided appreciation will also be uploaded from time to time. E-house programmes and e-appreciation guide booklets will be available on the official website. Local audience can engage, participate, and experience arts through various platforms.

JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power invites all arts enthusiasts and local citizens to participate in a wide variety of **JCNAP** programmes. In addition to showing support to the participating artists, the general public can witness the creative energy inspired by the restrictions. Please stay tuned for the latest updates on **JCNAP** official website and social media platforms.

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Facebook : www.facebook.com/newartspower

Instagram : www.instagram.com/newartspower

YouTube : www.youtube.com/JOCKEYCLUBNewArtsPower

About JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power

JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power, launched 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 three years, 38 arts groups have participated in the Festival. Together they produced 72 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 450 community and school events, reaching some 380,000 participants. **JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power 2020 / 2021** will be held from September 2020 to January 2021, featuring a total of 9 selected programmes that include dance, theatre, music, *xiqu*, multimedia and visual arts exhibition, as well as presenting more than 100 community and school activities.

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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JOCKEY CLUB New Arts Power Programme List* :

*The programme schedules are subject to change in response to the latest situation of COVID-19. Please stay tuned with **JCNAP** website and social media platform for latest notice.

Online Programme in September

Programme	Date, Time and Detail
Bel Canto Singers When Mozarts Meets Da Ponte Online Streaming Performance	Premiere Time: 8pm, 5 September 2020 Live Streaming on JCNAP 's Facebook Recording of online streaming performance will be available on JCNAP YouTube Channel from 5 September to 8 September 2020.
Co-presented by: JCNAP , Tai Kwun We Are (digitally becoming) Spectacle(s)	Time: 4pm - 5:30pm, 13 September 2020 Live Streaming on JCNAP 's Facebook Recording of online streaming performance will be available on JCNAP YouTube Channel from 16 September to 29 September 2020. Remarks: The viewers can join the video conference. Register to receive the conference invitation here: www.taikwun.hk/en/programme/ticketing/643

Performing Arts and Visual Arts Programmes www.newartspower.hk/showcase/?lang=en

Programme	Date and Time	Venue
Performing Arts Programmes		
Joseph Lee Unfolding Images: We Are Spectacle(s)	Co-presented by JCNAP and Tai Kwun, this programme will be postponed. Stay tuned for further updates.	
Pants Theatre Production Sweet Mandarin	09.10.2020 (Fri) 19:30 10.10.2020 (Sat) 19:30 11.10.2020 (Sun) 14:30	Theatre, Sheung Wan Civic Centre
Hoi Chiu Brothers of War	27.11.2020 (Fri) 20:00 28.11.2020 (Sat) 15:00, 20:00 29.11.2020 (Sun) 15:00	Theatre, Sheung Wan Civic Centre
Unlock Dancing Plaza Hands·Footprint·Sound #danceless Performance Series	19.12.2020 (Sat) 20:00 20.12.2020 (Sun) 14:30, 17:00	Multi-media Theatre, HKICC Lee Shau Kee School of Creativity
Spring Glory Cantonese Opera Workshop Cantonese Opera Showcase (Show title: TBC)	<i>Details to be announced soon</i>	Chiang Chen Studio Theatre
Visual Art Programmes		
Zheng Bo Life is hard. Why do we make it so easy?	<i>Details to be announced soon</i>	

Leung Chi Wo <i>Home and Nonhome</i>	11.2020	<i>Details to be announced soon</i>
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Mobile Theatre and Finale Programme

Programme	Date and Time	Venue
Mobile Theatre		
Hoi Chiu X Bel Canto Singers Programme Title: TBC	<i>Details to be announced soon</i>	
Finale Art Walk		
<i>Details to be announced soon</i>		

Community Programmes www.newartspower.hk/community/?lang=en

Workshop	Date and Time	Venue	Remarks
Unlock Dancing Plaza #Danceless Community Workshop	<i>This programme will be conducted in Cantonese only.</i>		
Pants Theatre Production Sweet Mandarin: Playwriting Workshop	<i>This programme will be conducted in Cantonese only.</i>		
Bel Canto Singers Acting Fun: Opera Discovery Workshop	29.11.2020 (Sun) 15:00 – 17:30	Ko Shan Theatre New Wing	<i>Details to be announced</i>

School Programmes www.newartspower.hk/school-programme/?lang=en

Programme	Remarks
We Are Spectacle(s) Workshop	<i>Registrations or enquiries from schools and teachers are welcome.</i>
Bodynamics Workshop	
Bel Canto Performance & Experience School Tour	
Brothers of War School Tour	
Interactive Drama Workshop – Cantonese Opera meets K-Pop	