

A Question of Hong Kong Culture

“When the Pompidou or Guggenheim comes to Hong Kong, does it mean our children will have better art education? Does it mean our artists will be given more resources?”

asks Lung Ying-tai 龍應台, former Cultural Minister of Taipei, currently Visiting Professor of HKU's Journalism and Media Studies Centre.

The Wang Gungwu Lecture Theatre and three other lecture rooms with video feed nearby were filled to capacity with enthusiastic participants who attended Professor Lung's public lecture entitled, "Cultural Policy and Civil Society: Possibilities for Hong Kong", on November 9.



Taking Centre Stage at HKU

“Sun Yat-sen and I” Drama Performance



The special guests, Mr Peter B Sun 孫必達 (3rd right, back), Director of Sun Yat-sen Foundation and great-grandson of Dr Sun Yat-sen, and his son, Mr Derek Sun 孫律剛 (3rd left, back) were accompanied by Mr Ko Chi-sum 高志森 (2nd right, back), Executive Producer of Spring-Time Stage Productions Ltd, his crew, and Pro-Vice-Chancellor Professor Paul K H Tam 譚廣亨 (2nd left, back).

As part of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department's Community Cultural Ambassador 2004 series, *Sun Yat-sen and I* (孫中山與我), a new and exciting play written by Ms Tsoi Mui-suet 蔡妙雪 of the Spring-Time Experimental Theatre. The drama performances featured seasoned directors and performers, and also participants from community-based drama workshops. It was especially remarkable when experienced at the evocative historic Fung Ping Shan Building at the University Museum and Art Gallery.

Violinist Li Chuan-yun

ArtsAll's evening with great music with rare violins

Over 200 fine music fans came to the University Museum and Art Gallery to hear violinist Li Chuan-yun 李傳韻 playing violin pieces on some of the best and most expensive antique violins in the world. These fine instruments were made during the 16th and



Li Chuan-yun

李歐梵與周星馳對談



李歐梵教授(右)與周星馳先生(左)對談：
「漫遊於現代與後現代之間」，由港大社會
學系講師吳俊雄(中)擔任主持。

李歐梵說：「這是香港的文化特色，香港人不用傳統方法看歷史，總帶一點含糊和諷刺。」李教授(哈佛大學東亞語文學系中國文學教授，港大新聞及傳媒研究中心訪問教授)指出，香港學生可循這樣的途徑了解香港和內地，例如看畢周星馳的《西遊記》後，再讀西遊記文本，定當獲益更多。

當被問及在電影中加入功夫元素的原因時，周星馳說：「我從小愛打功夫，你要選自己有興趣做的事來做，才能做得好，才能解決當中很複雜的困難……最老套一句，打功夫帶出的信息最後也是正面的，便是正義一類的東西！」

這是李歐梵和周星馳首次進行對談及在電影和文化上作交流，叫在場的港大師生熱烈喝采。

17th centuries by renowned master violin-makers Antonio Stradivari, Giuseppe Guarneri and JB Guadagnini, provided by the Stradivari Society in Chicago.

as a gateway for scholarship with the rest of the world, the HKU Concert Series commits itself to bringing world-class performances to the community.

Concert Series

Each year, the Department of Music stages a series of concerts on campus, the "HKU Concert Series". It invites outstanding performers from both Hong Kong and around the world to share their talents and virtuosity with students and the community at large.

Many of the concerts are held in Loke Yew Hall, which was Hong Kong's very first concert hall.

Over the years, it has hosted countless ensembles and artists, including the Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra and Kunqu master Yu Zhenfei 崑劇大師俞振飛. In recent seasons, it has invited distinguished artists from all parts of the world, including the Oscar winning composer Tan Dun 譚盾 in October.

In keeping with the University's mission to serve as a focal point of intellectual and academic endeavours in Asia, and act



Tan Dun

Darren Sigismund Jazz, an emerging and significant new voice on the Toronto music scene



Beefolk, the crossover Austrian folk-jazzy chamber orchestra comes from Graz, a city with a proud and blossoming jazz tradition and history.



Olympic Medallist wants to study at HKU



The visiting National Olympic Gold Medallists were greeted with a high-spirited and colourful welcome to HKU on September 8. Close to a thousand enthusiastic students and staff were able to meet and chat with the medallists at Loke Yew Hall. The Olympic fever reached its peak when the Medallists moved to the Sun Yat-sen Place to cheer and play games with students, joined by alumnus Alex Fong 方力申 (BBA (Acc&Fin) 2004) and many exchange students.



"The University of Hong Kong is a highly acclaimed international university. If I were given a chance, I would have chosen this University", said Luo Xuejuan 羅雪娟, 100m breaststroke gold medallist.

The Shaw Prize Lectures



Three winners of The Shaw Prize in Life Science and Medicine honoured HKU with lectures about their work. The Prize was awarded for the first time this year.

Professor Herbert Boyer,
Professor Emeritus of Biotechnology and Biophysics, UC San Francisco

His discovery that genes from any biology species can be propagated and cloned in foreign cells has had a phenomenal impact on how we view disease and its prevention.



Sir Richard Doll,
Regius Professor of Medicine in Oxford 1969 - 1979

He is widely considered to be the father of modern epidemiology, and has made enormous contributions to our understanding of the preventable causes of cancer over the last five decades.



Professor Kan Yuet-wai, *Louis K Diamond Professor of Haematology, Medicine and Laboratory Medicine at UC San Francisco*

Professor Kan (MBBS 1958; DSc 1980; HonDSc 1987) was happy to be back to his alma mater for his lecture on "A Slow Boat from China".

When he was a HKU student, he studied under a host of influential teachers including FJS McFadzean, Stephen Cheng, Rosie Young and David Todd. "In 1960 McFadzean told me that if I wanted to do research I must learn biochemistry." He took the words to heart and never looked back.

The seminal contributions made by Professor Kan on DNA polymorphism made it possible to trace the transmission of disease-causing genes in families. As a direct result of these discoveries, novel DNA-based diagnostic procedures have been developed to detect pre-natal genetic disorders such as sickle cell anaemia.



港大經濟年宵兵團

BEEP BEEP!
See you at the CNY Market!

2月3-9日花墟年宵市場見

In the Business and Entrepreneur Enhancement Programme (BEEP), students from 12 HKU student bodies and 11 secondary schools jointly develop businesses for a total of 19 stalls at the Chinese New Year Market in Fa Hui Park, Boundary Street (界限街花墟公園) from February 3 to 9, 2005.

BEEP aims at enhancing participants' business sense and creative entrepreneurship. It provides a chance for them to develop their abilities and competencies in formulating business ideas and preparing business proposals. Participants will have a practical chance to examine the feasibility and effectiveness of their business ideas. BEEP can also foster closer partnerships among HKU students and alumni, and secondary school students; and bring HKU to the community.

Prizes will be awarded to teams with outstanding performance in areas such as stall design, creative products and services, cost control, fiscal management, profitability, teamwork, etc.



Participating groups:

Secondary Schools 參與中學

Kiangsu-Chekiang College (Kwai Chung)
葵涌蘇浙公學
Hong Kong Sam Yuk Secondary School
香港三育中學
Munsang College
民生書院
Baptist Wing Lung Secondary School
浸信會永隆中學
Pooi To Middle School
香港培道中學
Wah Yan College, Kowloon
九龍華仁書院
La Salle College
喇沙書院
The Boys & Girls Clubs Association of Hong Kong South Kwai Chung Children & Youth Integrated Services Centre
香港小童群益會南葵涌青少年綜合服務中心
CUHK FAA Chan Chun Ha Secondary School
香港中文大學校友會聯會陳震夏中學
Qualified College
匯知中學
Daughters of Mary Help of Christians
Siu Ming Catholic Secondary School
天主教母佑會譚明中學

Student Associations, HKU 港大學生屬會

Sociology Society
社會學學會
Undergrad
學苑
Statistics and Actuarial Science Society
統計及精算學會
Industrial Engineering Association
工業工程會
Students' Union
學生會
China Education Association
中國教育小組
R C Lee Hall Students' Association
利銘澤堂宿生會
University Hall Students' Association
大學堂宿生會
Ricci Hall Students' Association
利瑪竇宿舍宿生會
Wei Lun Hall Students' Association
偉倫堂宿生會
BBA (Law) Students (Year 1)
工商管理學(法學)一年級學生
BBA (Law) Students (Year 2)
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