

Consultation sessions for Hong Kong Arts Development Council Nomination Exercise

The Home Affairs Bureau (HAB) will hold two consultation sessions on March 13 (Saturday) and March 24 (Wednesday) respectively to brief the arts sector and the public and listen to their views on the logistical and publicity arrangements of the Nomination of Representatives of Arts Interests for the Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC). All interested parties are welcome to attend.

Established in 1995, the HKADC is a statutory body set up to promote the development of arts in Hong Kong. The HKADC comprises 27 members, of which a Chairman, a Vice-chairman and not more than 22 other members shall be appointed by the Chief Executive of Hong Kong. Of the 22 other members, up to 10 are nominated by specified arts interests. The 10 specified arts interests are Arts Administration, Arts Criticism, Arts Education, Chinese Opera (Xiqu), Dance, Drama, Film Arts, Literary Arts, Music and Visual Arts.

As the current term of office of the HKADC members will expire on December 31, 2010, the HAB is launching an exercise to nominate representatives of 10 arts interests for appointment as members of the HKADC for the next term commencing January 1, 2011.

Details of the two briefing and consultation sessions are as follows:

Date: March 13, 2010 (Saturday)

Time: 10.30am

Date: March 24, 2010 (Wednesday)

Time: 3.30pm

Venue: Lecture Hall, G/F, Hong Kong Museum of History, 100 Chatham Road South, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon (Next to Hong Kong Science Museum)

"Since the establishment of the HKADC in June 1995, this year marks the seventh nomination exercise for arts representatives. The plan of the upcoming exercise will be explained in the two sessions, during which we would like to exchange views with the arts community about the arrangements of the exercise. We welcome participation of anyone who is interested in the development of arts in Hong Kong in the sessions",

an HAB spokesman said.

A website was launched to promote the nomination exercise. For more information about the exercise, please visit the website (www.voteforhkadc2010.hk).

The HAB has appointed PR Concepts Asia Company Limited to be the nomination agent for the nomination exercise. If you are interested to join the consultation sessions or have any other enquiries, please contact Ms Virgini Fung at 2232 3981 or Ms Kelly Tang at 2232 3929 or email: virgini@prconcept.com.

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