

## RECENT ACTIVITIES

### 8th Annual Charity Table Tennis Tournament

The Canada-Hong Kong New Horizon Lions Club held its 8th Annual Charity Table Tennis Tournament opening ceremony and the first day competition on May 6. The event comprising competitions in three days had attracted over 260 players to join, forming about 60 teams to compete in 18 categories.

HKETO continued to be a sponsor of the event and as part of the programme to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR), the sponsored trophy was engraved with "HKSAR 20th Anniversary Media Cup", which was presented to the winning team of the Media category.

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## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

### HKSAR 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Activities

#### 1. Award Ceremony of the 17th Chinese Arts and Literary Contest for Youth

HKETO sponsored the "17th Chinese Arts and Literacy Contest for Youth" organised by the Association of Chinese Arts and Literacy Contest for Youth. The competition is part of the programme to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the HKSAR, with an aim to arouse interest in Hong Kong among students of different ages.

The Award Ceremony for the event will be held on May 22 at the Chinese Cultural Centre Greater Toronto. Aside from presenting the trophies to winners in the different contest categories, selected performances by winners will also be staged.

For more information, please visit the official website of the organiser:

<https://sites.google.com/site/newcalcywebsite/home>

#### 2. Creative Visions Hong Kong Cinema 1997-2017

To celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of the HKSAR, CreateHK would stage a

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film retrospective called “Creative Visions Hong Kong Cinema 1997-2017” in the Cinematheque of Vancouver from 1-23 June 2017. Filmmakers Alex Law and Mabel Cheung will be present at the opening presentation of the “Echoes of a Rainbow” on 1 June and Ms. Heiward Mak will meet the audience at the film of “High Noon” on 22 and 23 June. Tickets are on sale and check out the full programme at the website below.

<http://thecinematheque.ca/creative-visions-hong-kong-cinema-1997-2017>

### HONG KONG NEWS

#### Database on Basic Law Court Cases

2017 marks the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the HKSAR as well as the 20th anniversary of the implementation of the Basic Law of the HKSAR of the People’s Republic of China. To enhance and deepen the understanding of the Basic Law among different sectors of the community, the Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau of HKSAR Government has set up an online Basic Law court cases database. The database has collated basic information about such court cases, relevant judgments and judicial explanations, and can be easily assessed by members of the public through simple search engine functions to understand the provision and contents of the Basic Law through these court cases.

The database also includes other interesting and practical information such as "Basic Law Questions and Answers" and a "Basic Law Time Capsule" to enhance the interest of various sectors of the community in understanding the Basic Law.

The public is welcome to visit the database website at [www.basiclawcourtcase.gov.hk](http://www.basiclawcourtcase.gov.hk).

[\*Click here to read the details.\*](#)

#### Chief Executive-elect's website launched

The website of the Chief Executive-elect, Mrs Carrie Lam, was launched on May 2.

The website ([www.ce-elect-office.hk](http://www.ce-elect-office.hk)) featured Mrs Lam's manifesto, press releases and speeches, as well as pictures and videos taken at various functions and events. A booklet on Mrs Lam's personal profile has also been uploaded to the website so that members of the public can get to know her better.

Mrs Lam said she hoped that the public could further understand her work and policy vision

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through the website. She will also make good use of social media to maintain contact and communication with the public after she assumes office as the Chief Executive.

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### **Hong Kong and France sign agreement on surrender of accused or convicted persons**

The Secretary for Security, Mr Lai Tung-kwok, and the Consul-General of France in Hong Kong, Mr Eric Berti, signed a bilateral agreement concerning the surrender of accused or convicted persons at the Central Government Offices on May 4 on behalf of the Government of HKSAR and the Government of the French Republic respectively.

The surrender agreement sets out the conditions for the surrender of accused or convicted persons between the HKSAR and the French Republic, and contains the usual safeguards found in similar international agreements, including that the conduct must constitute an offence according to the laws of both parties, and surrender may be refused if the offence is punishable with the death penalty.

The surrender agreement with the French Republic is the 20th agreement of its kind between the HKSAR and other jurisdictions. Nineteen other jurisdictions that already have similar agreements with the HKSAR are Australia, Canada, Czech, Finland, Germany, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Malaysia, the Netherlands, New Zealand, the Philippines, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Singapore, South Africa, Sri Lanka, the United Kingdom and the United States.

[\*Click here to read the details.\*](#)

### **General holidays for 2018 published**

The list of Hong Kong's general holidays in 2018 was gazetted on May 5 for public information.

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