

“50th Anniversary of Moon Landing” exhibition to showcase milestones of manned lunar exploration

A new special exhibition entitled "50th Anniversary of Moon Landing" opened today (July 3) in the foyer of the Hong Kong Space Museum. The exhibition showcases images, footage, models and interactive exhibits relating to the first manned moon landing mission. The exhibition serves both to introduce lunar science to members of the public and highlight the challenging mission of lunar exploration.

Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the first human landing on the moon, the exhibition looks at the rocket, spacecraft, spacesuit and flight path used in the first manned lunar exploration, as well as a piece of lunar meteorite.

The exhibition also features a 5-metre-high Saturn V rocket model that has been specially created by Lego Hong Kong Limited for the exhibition. The Saturn V rocket was a three-stage liquid-fueled rocket used to send the Apollo spacecraft to the moon. The rocket model consists of more than 200,000 interlocking bricks, showing space technology from a new perspective.

In tandem with the exhibition, the Space Museum has arranged a series of educational programmes including workshops, special lectures and astronomical observations to arouse visitors' interest in astronomy and enhance their knowledge of space exploration.

The opening ceremony of the exhibition was held today. Officiating guests included the Museum Director of the Hong Kong Science Museum, Ms Paulina Chan; the General Manager for Lego Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan, Mr Troy Taylor; Lego Certified Professional Mr Andy Hung; and the Curator of the Hong Kong Space Museum, Mr Robert Leung.

The exhibition is presented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, jointly organised by the Hong Kong Space Museum and Lego Hong Kong Limited and will run until September 2. For details of the exhibition, please visit the Space Museum's website at hk.space.museum or call 2721 0226 for enquiries.

During the successful moon landing by NASA's Apollo 11 mission in 1969, astronaut Neil Armstrong became the first human to step on the moon, opening a glorious chapter in manned lunar exploration.

The Hong Kong Space Museum is located at 10 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon.