

“90 Years of Public Service Broadcasting in Hong Kong” exhibition to be held at Hong Kong Heritage Museum (with photos)

The "90 Years of Public Service Broadcasting in Hong Kong" exhibition will be open to the public from tomorrow (November 7) at the Hong Kong Heritage Museum. The exhibition showcases special moments in the history of Radio Television Hong Kong (RTHK) and the broadcasting industry in Hong Kong over the past 90 years.

To celebrate the milestone of the 90th anniversary of public service broadcasting in Hong Kong in 2018, the "90 Years of Public Service Broadcasting in Hong Kong" exhibition is jointly presented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department and RTHK and jointly organised by the Hong Kong Heritage Museum and RTHK. Through the presentation of a recording studio, classic scenes from programmes including "Below the Lion Rock" and "City Forum" and displays of RTHK's invaluable photos and audio-visual archival materials, the exhibition showcases the development of Hong Kong's broadcasting industry with RTHK as the focus and lets visitors revisit glorious moments of the industry's history through sound and image.

An opening ceremony for the exhibition was held today (November 6). Officiating guests included the Acting Chief Executive, Ms Teresa Cheng, SC; the Permanent Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development (Communications and Creative Industries), Mr Clement Leung; the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services, Ms Michelle Li; the Director of Broadcasting, Mr Leung Ka-wing; representative of the performing arts sector Alan Tam; and the Museum Director of the Hong Kong Heritage Museum, Ms Fione Lo.

Radio and television broadcasting is closely related to the daily lives of Hong Kong people. The broadcasting industry provides news and entertainment, bears testimony to social events, and promotes history, culture and art. It has developed alongside society and has captured collective memories along the way.

In June 1928, the then Hong Kong Government took over a non-governmental radio broadcasting body, the Hong Kong Radio Society, to commence its broadcasting services. With "GOW" as its call sign, the broadcaster marked the founding of what is known today as RTHK. Since then, RTHK has become the sole public service broadcaster in Hong Kong. As the years passed, technological advances facilitated RTHK's innovation and evolution of programmes. In addition to its long-established radio service, RTHK later launched its TV service followed by the development of its website and mobile apps. News, information and entertainment are provided on various platforms to suit the public's changing lifestyle.

The exhibition will run until February 25 next year. For details of the exhibition, please visit www.heritagemuseum.gov.hk/en_US/web/hm/exhibitions/data/exid253.html, or call 2180 8188 for enquiries.

The Hong Kong Heritage Museum is located at 1 Man Lam Road, Sha Tin.



