

Free tickets for outreach performance of Central and Western District Oral History Theatre Project to be distributed from tomorrow (with photos)

The outreach performance "A Tale of Two Circles" and a sharing session (in Cantonese) of the Community Oral History Theatre Project – Central and Western District will be held at 3pm on July 21 (Saturday) at JC Cube in Tai Kwun. Free tickets with free seating will be distributed from tomorrow (June 21) on a first-come, first-served basis.

The Central and Western districts are two important locations on Hong Kong Island, combining the best of East and West. Old Central, characterised by its European influence, was the heart of politics and economic affairs, while old Western district, primarily settled by Chinese people, was a trade port for food products.

More than 20 elderly participants will take part in the show to re-enact their own precious stories. Some of them worked diligently in Central to earn a living; some strived to support their children's schooling, hoping they would become professionals in Central; and some were trained to become craftsmen and set up small businesses in the Western district.

The performance has Ko Tin-lung as the artistic director and Issac Siu as the scriptwriter, director and drama tutor. Free tickets will be distributed from tomorrow (a maximum of two tickets per person) at the following locations:

- * Nga Yin Association Neighbourhood Elderly Centre, the Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council (1/F, Lung Cheung Garden, 26 Praya, Kennedy Town); and
- * Enquiry Counter, Hong Kong City Hall Low Block (5 Edinburgh Place, Central).

The Community Oral History Theatre Project – Central and Western District co-organised by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD), Chung Ying Theatre Company and the Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council was launched in 2017. Through a series of workshops, the project has gathered the personal experiences and valuable recollections of the elderly from Central and Western District. Scripts have been written with the oral information collected, providing an opportunity for the elderly to tell their stories onstage.

Tai Kwun is located at 10 Hollywood Road, Central. For programme enquiries, please call 2591 1300 (LCSD), 8106 8336 (Chung Ying Theatre

Company) or 2819 8727 (Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council), or visit www.lcsd.gov.hk/CE/CulturalService/ab/en/OH_central_western_phase4.php.

