HKMoA's large outdoor art installation takes visitors through whimsical snuff bottle maze (with photos)

The Hong Kong Museum of Art (HKMoA) launched the new exhibition "Hong Kong Artist Dialogue Series: Beyond Delight" at the Art Square in the museum's forecourt, showcasing a large-scale public art installation, "Wandering through Snuff Bottles", collaborated by local art group STICKYLINE (Mic Leong and Soilworm Lai) and artist Cynthia Mak.

A snuff bottle is an exquisite miniature piece of craftsmanship, each uniquely designed and intricately carved with its own story hidden in its small world. Inspired by the HKMoA's "Art of Gifting: The Fuyun Xuan Collection of Chinese Snuff Bottles" exhibition, the art group extracted forms and visual elements found in traditional Chinese snuff bottles and revitalised the concept with exquisitely lifelike animal-inspired designs of snuff bottles. By reinterpreting snuff bottles in a contemporary visual art language, a colourful snuff bottle maze was created. Visitors can enjoy a unique artistic experience by navigating and exploring passageways, corridors and arches in the maze. The artistic team's creative reimagining presents other perspectives of snuff bottles, bringing visitors into a whimsical space and inspiring an endless realm of imagination.

The Art Square presentation realises the idea of a wall-less exhibition, extending the indoor exhibition gallery into an open public space. It also allows artists to draw inspiration from the rich collections of the HKMoA to create a unique and delightful artistic dialogue.

The exhibition is being staged at the Art Square in the forecourt of the HKMoA (10 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon). For details of the exhibition, please visit the website at <u>hk.art.museum/en/web/ma/exhibitions-</u> and-events/beyond-delight.html or call 2721 0116 for enquiries.



