

Hong Kong Heritage Museum's special opening arrangement on September 12 to commemorate Leslie Cheung's 67th birthday (with photo)

September 12 (Tuesday) is the 67th birthday of Leslie Cheung. The Hong Kong Heritage Museum (HKHM) will make a special arrangement to open the museum, which is normally closed on Tuesdays, to commemorate this all-time superstar with the public. The "Miss You Much Leslie Exhibition", as well as other exhibitions in the museum, will be open to the public from 10am to 6pm that day. The HKHM will also present free movie screenings and music performances.

Free screenings of two movies namely "Okinawa Rendez-vous" and "Ashes of Time (Redux)" starring Leslie Cheung will be held at the theatre on the first floor of the museum at 11am and 3pm respectively on September 12. Audiences can queue up for admission 15 minutes before the programme commences. Admission is free with limited quota on a first-come, first-served basis. The museum will also arrange two free music performances at the lobby at 11.30am and 2.30pm respectively. Visitors can enjoy classic hits of Leslie Cheung and other Hong Kong pop songs from different generations performed by young busking performers.

On the other hand, the Hong Kong Pop Culture Festival 2023 organised by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) will present free music performances, Busking@Museum, at the museum lobby on four Sundays in September at 2pm. Local and young busking teams will perform local pop songs. There is no seating arrangement for the performances and no admission ticket is required.

With exceptional talent and a unique style, Leslie Cheung became one of Hong Kong's most influential superstars. His numerous music, film and TV works over the years established his status as an icon in the glory days of Cantopop and Hong Kong cinema in the 1980s and 1990s. The HKHM's "Miss You Much Leslie Exhibition" showcases a total of 61 precious exhibits including four concert costumes worn by Leslie Cheung, such as the red cloak and suit with stonework and the pair of red high heels in his "Live in Concert 97", the outfit with white feathers and the pair of blue embellished jeans worn by him in his "Passion Tour" concert, and the meticulously crafted seashell culottes designed for him by a famous French designer. The exhibition also presents some of his vinyl records, such as "For Your Heart Only" (White Edition), "Stand Up" (Purple Edition); music, movie and TV awards like the 1984 Jade Solid Gold Best Ten Music Presentation – "Monica", the Best Film Song of the 14th Hong Kong Film Awards – "Chase", and the Best Album Award of the Four Channels Song Award – "Untitled". Visitors can also enjoy Leslie Cheung's photo album "Celebration" photographed by Wing Shya and some concert

photos.

Presented by the LCSD and organised by the HKHM, the exhibition is supported by Les FANmily and will run until October 9 at the HKHM (1 Man Lam Road, Sha Tin) with free admission. Apart from "Miss You Much Leslie Exhibition", visitors are also welcome to visit the "Hong Kong Pop 60+" permanent exhibition, "Bruce Lee: a Timeless Classic" pop-up display and "A Man Beyond the Ordinary: Bruce Lee" exhibition to learn more about Hong Kong's pop culture. For details of the exhibitions and programmes of the HKHM, please visit the museum website at hk.heritage.museum/en_US/web/hm/exhibitions/data/exid276.html, Instagram at www.instagram.com/heritagemuseum.hk or call 2180 8188 for enquiries.

The first Hong Kong Pop Culture Festival organised by the LCSD aims to offer an array of programmes, from pop concerts and performances to thematic exhibitions, film screenings, and outdoor and outreach activities, showcasing Hong Kong's unique cultural creativity and vibrancy. For more information on other fascinating programmes of the Hong Kong Pop Culture Festival, please visit www.pcf.gov.hk/en.

