

## Hong Kong movies and talent take centre stage in Montreal (with photos)

Six Hong Kong movies were showcased in the "Making Waves – Navigators of Hong Kong Cinema" touring film programme in Montreal, Canada, from October 24 to 26 (Montreal time). The film festival was supported by the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office (Toronto) (Toronto ETO).

With the presence of Hong Kong actors Gordon Lam and Tai Bo as well as actresses Kuku So and Yoyo Tse, the Toronto ETO hosted a reception on the opening night before the screening of "Rob N Roll" to kick off the programme on October 24 (Montreal time). The event was attended by about 100 guests from the local film, cultural and business sectors.

Welcoming the audience, the Acting Deputy Director of the Toronto ETO, Ms Janet Lam, said that Hong Kong serves as a unique East-meets-West centre for international cultural exchanges and boasts one of the largest and most dynamic film and entertainment industries in the world. She noted said that the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region expressed in the Policy Address 2024 its commitment to deepening institutional reform of its cultural system, improving cultural and economic policies, and further enhancing cultural confidence.

"Hong Kong cinema has gained international acclaim, renowned both locally and abroad. From kung-fu films and crime dramas to social realism, these movies capture the essence of contemporary Hong Kong, narrating the stories of different generations," she said.

"The creativity and 'can-do' spirit displayed by our talented filmmakers continue to shine, enabling them to innovate and explore new genres to share their cinematic dreams."

"Making Waves" is a touring film programme presented by the Hong Kong International Film Festival Society and supported by the Cultural and Creative Industries Development Agency. The three-day programme in Montreal is organised in collaboration with Asian Pop-Up Cinema to present six Hong Kog productions, namely, "Rob N Roll", "Love Lies", "Time Still Turns The Pages", "All Shall Be Well", "Fly Me To The Moon" and "For Alice".

