<u>Hong Kong Space Museum screens new 3D</u> <u>dome show "Arctic 3D: Our Frozen</u> <u>Planet" (with photos)</u>

The Hong Kong Space Museum will screen a new 3D dome show, "Arctic 3D: Our Frozen Planet", at its Space Theatre from tomorrow (January 15). This immersive journey through the Arctic's four seasons captures its magnificent scenery and offers intimate glimpses of polar bears, seals, walruses and other polar creatures, while highlighting the significant impacts of climate change.

At Earth's northernmost reaches, a vast realm of ice and snow nurtures extraordinary life, and the 22-minute show captures the most spectacular moments. Summer brings both renewal and challenges as walruses undergo their annual molt, now increasingly stressed by record-breaking temperatures that turn their thick layers of blubber into a burden. A young harp seal embarks on a life-changing journey, transforming from a white-furred pup to a skilled swimmer through brief but crucial maternal guidance. Under the endless summer sun, the Arctic Ocean teems with life as plankton blooms attract diverse marine species, including the mysteriously elegant narwhals. The 3D dome show also reveals polar bears navigating seamlessly between ice and water, while Lapland bumblebees emerge from hibernation to paint the tundra in vibrant colours.

As rising temperatures cause massive glaciers to break apart and sea ice to melt, the Arctic's ecosystem is facing an unprecedented crisis. For generations, indigenous Inuit have called this magical landscape home, and their traditional knowledge has helped scientists understand the Arctic's rapid changes. The Inuit rely on sled dogs to travel and hunt on the sea ice. However, climate change has made the ice gradually thinner and more fragile, making each journey increasingly hazardous. As global warming affects the entire planet, this show encourages audiences to reflect and take urgent action to protect the Arctic's future.

The show will be screened until October 13. Screening times are 2pm and 6.30pm on weekdays and 12.30pm and 5pm on weekends and public holidays respectively. Tickets priced at \$30 (front stalls) and \$40 (stalls) are now available at the Hong Kong Space Museum Box Office and URBTIX (www.urbtix.hk). For details of the show, please visit hk.space.museum/en/web/spm/shows/3d-show/arctic-3d.html, or call 2721 0226 for enquiries.

The Hong Kong Space Museum, located at 10 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon, is closed on Tuesdays (except public holidays).

















