

“Honouring Tradition and Heritage: Min Chiu Society at Sixty” exhibition to open tomorrow (with photos)

An exhibition entitled "Honouring Tradition and Heritage: Min Chiu Society at Sixty" will be open to the public from tomorrow (February 19) at the Hong Kong Museum of Art (HKMoA). The exhibition will feature over 300 works of Chinese art selected from the diverse collections of Min Chiu Society members, showcasing artistic accomplishments and Chinese antiquities, to allow visitors to gain understanding of the history and culture behind these precious antiquities.

Established in 1960, the Min Chiu Society is a renowned collectors' organisation in both Hong Kong and overseas. Guided by its founding ethos, "An earnest pursuit of classic knowledge with a passion for antiquity", the Society has been an important cultural force devoted to fostering intellectual exchanges and collecting, as well as studying and promoting Chinese art. The HKMoA has been organising various kinds of exhibitions with the Min Chiu Society over the past years. To commemorate its 60th anniversary, the Society is collaborating again with the HKMoA to hold an exhibition featuring diverse collections from more than 40 collectors.

The exhibition will run from tomorrow until June at the HKMoA (10 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon). The diverse exhibits include calligraphy and paintings by Shen Zhou, Wen Zhengming, Wang Shimin and Dong Qichang from the Ming and Qing dynasties, as well as representative works of modern New China masters and early Hong Kong ink painting artists. Also featured are Chinese antiquities including celadon and white porcelain from the Song and Yuan dynasties; porcelain in underglaze blue and porcelain in polychrome enamels from the Ming and Qing dynasties; carved lacquerware, jade ware, bamboo carvings, Ming-style furniture and snuff bottles; and trade art that reflects the changes in the history of modern foreign trade.

To tie in with the exhibition, the museum has invited a group of young artists to design and set up a traditional scholar's study studio. With multimedia exhibits and animated clips combined with augmented reality technology, visitors can learn all about the production of paintings, ceramics, jade carvings and silk work. They can also explore the tastes of traditional literati through the décor in the studio and the desk stationery. In addition, online guided tours, special lectures and concerts will also be held during the exhibition period. Details will be announced at a later date.

The exhibition is jointly presented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department and the Min Chiu Society, and co-organised by the HKMoA and the Society. The education programmes are sponsored by the Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust. ã€€

According to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F), users are required to scan the "LeaveHomeSafe" QR code or register their name, contact number and the date and time of the visit before being allowed to enter museums for necessary contact tracing if a confirmed case is found. Appeals are made to members of the public to download the "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile app in advance and scan the QR code with the app before entering. Members of the public who opt for registering their personal information at the scene are reminded to arrive earlier to avoid delaying their visits as a longer time is required for such registration.

In view of the latest situation of COVID-19, the museum will apply a quota to limit visitor flow. Visitors to the museum will need to use hand sanitiser and will be subject to temperature checks before admission. They also need to wear their own masks. Children under 12 will only be allowed to enter the museum and exhibition facilities when accompanied by an adult. For details of the exhibition and the admission arrangements, please visit the website at hk.art.museum/en_US/web/ma/exhibitions-and-events/honouring-tradition-and-heritage-min-chiu-society-at-sixty.html, or call 2721 0116 for enquiries.



