

# Intangible Cultural Heritage Funding Scheme 2023 opens for applications

The new round of the Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) Funding Scheme under the ICH Office of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department is open for applications from today (December 1).

The funding scheme consists of the Community-driven Projects 2023 and the Partnership Projects 2023, and is inviting applications from local individuals and organisations. The objectives of the Funding Scheme are to strengthen the safeguarding, research, education, promotion and transmission of local ICH items; to support the transmission of ICH by local bearers and bearer organisations; to engage the participation of the community in safeguarding ICH; and to enhance public awareness, understanding and respect in regard to ICH.

The scope of support of the Community-driven Projects 2023 covers projects related to the items in the Representative List and the Inventory of the ICH of Hong Kong. For the Partnership Projects 2023, applications are invited for seven projects, namely Research and Publication on the Items of the "Representative List of the ICH of Hong Kong"; ICH Domain; ICH Mobile Centre; ICH Everywhere; ICH Hub; ICH Creation; and Transmission and Training Programmes for the Items in the "Representative List of the ICH of Hong Kong".

Application information and application forms of the ICH Funding Scheme are available on the ICH Office's website ([www.icho.hk/en/web/icho/home.html](http://www.icho.hk/en/web/icho/home.html)). Applicants must submit the completed application forms and relevant supporting documents in person to the Hong Kong ICH Centre (situated at Sam Tung Uk Museum, 2 Kwu Uk Lane, Tsuen Wan, New Territories), or submit application documents via the website of GovHK ([eform.cefs.gov.hk/form/lcs118/en/](http://eform.cefs.gov.hk/form/lcs118/en/)). The deadline for applications is noon on January 18, 2024 (Thursday). For enquiries, please contact the ICH Office at 2267 1971.

A briefing session will be held at 3pm on December 15, 2023 (Friday), at the Lecture Hall of the Hong Kong Museum of History (G/F, 100 Chatham Road South, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon), to brief interested individuals and organisations on the content and application details of the Funding Scheme. For registration details of the briefing session, please visit the ICH Office's website.