

Lantern display “Dragon Palace on the Moon” lifts curtain on Mid-Autumn Lantern Carnivals 2024 (with photos)

To celebrate with members of the public the 75th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China and the Mid-Autumn Festival, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) is showing a lantern display entitled "Dragon Palace on the Moon" from today (September 10) until October 6 at the Hong Kong Cultural Centre Piazza pools. The display, lifting the curtain on the Mid-Autumn Lantern Carnivals 2024, will be lit up from 6.30pm to 11pm daily and extended to midnight on the Mid-Autumn Day (September 17).

"Dragon Palace on the Moon", with the Chinese dragon as its main design concept, is a seamless blend between traditional lantern-making craftsmanship from Zigong city of the Sichuan Province and multimedia art by local multimedia artist Jet Hsu. The lantern display demonstrates the Chinese people's love for the Mid-Autumn Festival, as well as their lofty aspirations to chase after the bright moon by launching a manned spacecraft to the moon.

To avoid overcrowding on the Mid-Autumn Day, members of the public are advised to schedule their visits for other dates during the display period.

In addition to "Dragon Palace on the Moon", the Mid-Autumn Lantern Carnivals 2024 will be held at Victoria Park and Tsing Yi Park from September 12 to 18, featuring dazzling lanterns of different themes. There will also be a wide range of activities at the carnivals, with elements of intangible cultural heritage including Yingge dance, folk song and dance, traditional lantern-making demonstration, fire dragon dance parade, and demonstration of traditional handicrafts from Guangzhou, Hong Kong and Macao. Other crowd-pleasers include a Huafu show, a festival flea market and more. Details can be found here: www.cpo.gov.hk/event/en-mid-autumn-lantern-carnivals-2024/. For enquiries, please call 2591 1340.

The Mid-Autumn Lantern Carnivals 2024 is one of the Chinese Culture Festival (CCF) programmes. The CCF, presented by the Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau and organised by the LCSD and the Chinese Culture Promotion Office, aims to enhance the public appreciation of Chinese culture and cultivate citizens' national identity and cultural confidence. The LCSD has long been promoting Chinese history and culture through organising an array of programmes and activities to enable the public to learn more about the broad and profound Chinese culture. For more information, please visit www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/ccpo/index.html.

