<u>Latest arrangements for LCSD public</u> services

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) announced today (April 29) that the Cinema and the Exhibition Hall of the Hong Kong Film Archive (HKFA), which have been closed earlier for maintenance work, will be reopened on May 1 (Saturday) and May 28 (Friday) respectively. To mark its 20th anniversary, the HKFA will present a variety of programmes with the theme of "Acquisition and sharing". For details, please visit the HKFA's website (www.filmarchive.gov.hk).

Visitors to facilities of the HKFA are required to scan the "LeaveHomeSafe" QR code or register their name, contact number and the date and time of entry. They will be subject to temperature checks before admission, as well as needing to use hand sanitiser and wear their own masks. Enhanced cleaning and disinfection measures will be conducted.

In another development, owing to the pandemic and numerous uncertainties in business travel, the Chinese Opera Festival 2021, originally scheduled to be held from June to August this year, has been cancelled. Consent has been sought with the scheduled local and visiting performing arts groups on the cancellation of the Chinese Opera Festival. The LCSD will continue to present local productions to offer audiences high-quality performing arts programmes including a newly commissioned Cantonese opera, "The Asura Judgement", in June and July 2021. For details of the latest attractions from the Cultural Presentations Section, please visit www.lcsd.gov.hk/cp.

The LCSD will pay close attention to the latest developments of the pandemic, as well as the requirements for scheduled premises as stipulated in the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F), and review or revise the above arrangements in due course.