

LCSD mid-autumn lantern decoration displays to start tomorrow (with photos)

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) will display mid-autumn lantern decorations at three venues, namely Victoria Park, Sha Tin Park and Tin Shui Wai Park, from tomorrow (September 17) to September 22. In addition, a lighting installation named "The Other Side of the Moon" has been set up at the Hong Kong Cultural Centre Piazza and will be displayed until October 3. Members of the public are welcome to visit.

The lit-up time of the decorations at the venues will be from 6.30pm to 11pm every evening and it will be extended to midnight on the mid-autumn day (September 21). In view of the latest situation of COVID-19, there will be no performances or fringe activities.

The six soccer pitches of Victoria Park will be decorated with colourful lantern decorations. These will include a 6-metre-high merry-go-round lantern crafted by local paper craft master Hui Ka-hung, lanterns made by primary and secondary students, and lantern decorations featuring vibrant flamingos, a happy elephant family, lovely birds and twin rabbits.

The lantern decorations at Sha Tin Park will feature creatures of the underwater world such as clownfish, dolphins, turtles and jellyfish. A 5m-high phoenix lantern decoration will light up Tin Shui Wai Park together with displays featuring rabbits, ladybugs, meerkats and robots.

Created by local artist Dylan Kwok, the energy-efficient lighting art installation "The Other Side of the Moon" has been set up at the Hong Kong Cultural Centre Piazza. The installation features six giant inflatable rabbit phubbers playing with their tablets, leading the public to reflect on the impact of the Internet and communications between people nowadays, and uses projection, reflection and light absorption and emission techniques to bring out special lighting effects.

Visitors are required to take appropriate precautionary measures, wear their own masks (including when taking photos), maintain social distancing and avoid gathering in groups of more than four people at any time to safeguard public health.

Admission to the Victoria Park soccer pitches will start at dusk and visitors are required to scan the "LeaveHomeSafe" QR code or register their personal information, and will be subject to temperature checks before admission. Crowd control measures will be implemented and admission will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Admission may be suspended and broadcasts will be made taking into account the actual situation. Visitors are urged to follow the instructions of the staff and the police officers on-

site.

To avoid overcrowding on the mid-autumn day, the LCSD urges the public to schedule their visits for other dates of the display period. For more information, please call 2591 1340 or visit the website at www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/cpo/territoryevents/midautumnlantern/midAutumn2021.html.

