

## London ETO hosts Summer Night reception in Edinburgh (with photos)

The Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office, London (London ETO) hosted a networking reception in Edinburgh, United Kingdom (UK), on August 8 (London time) evening, for about 100 guests in celebrating the participation of Hong Kong performance art groups in the Edinburgh Festival Fringe. The audience included members of the Scottish Parliament, local council members and leading figures in the local arts and cultural sector.

Speaking at the reception, the Director-General of the London ETO, Mr Gilford Law, mentioned that the London ETO is proud to support three troupes to join the Edinburgh Festival Fringe this summer. He further highlighted that Hong Kong, under the unique "one country, two systems" principle, enjoys the solid support of national strategies while maintaining unparalleled ties around the globe.

"To achieve our cultural goal, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government is developing numerous strategic policies and programmes, which include strengthening our connections with overseas arts and cultural organisations. We are glad to witness that Hong Kong artists have all along been promoting telling the world the good stories of Hong Kong through this festival. In fact, one of the sponsored performance groups this year, TS Crew, is the winner of the Asian Arts Award for Best Show of last year's Edinburgh Festival Fringe. With the concerted effort of the HKSAR Government and our practitioners, Hong Kong would continue to achieve artistic and cultural excellence, affirming its role as an East-meets-West centre for international cultural exchange as supported by the National 14th Five-Year Plan," he continued.

The reception featured an excerpt of the performances of Théâtre de la Feuille and TS Crew. Representatives from the two troupes were also invited on stage to engage with the audience.

The Edinburgh Festival Fringe 2023 runs from August 4 to 28 in Edinburgh, UK. "Diary VII: The Story of..." by Mui Cheuk-yin, and "No Dragon No Lion" by TS Crew play at C Arts, Lauriston Halls till August 13. "Fall and Flow" by Théâtre de la Feuille plays at Underbelly, Cowgate till August 27.

