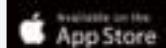


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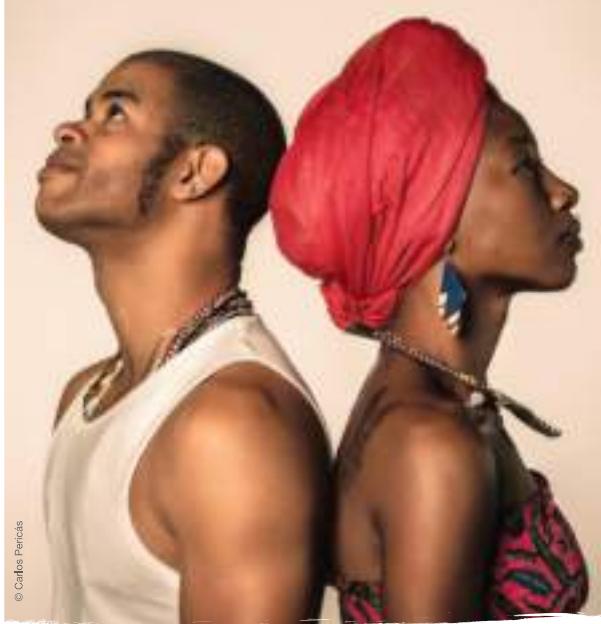


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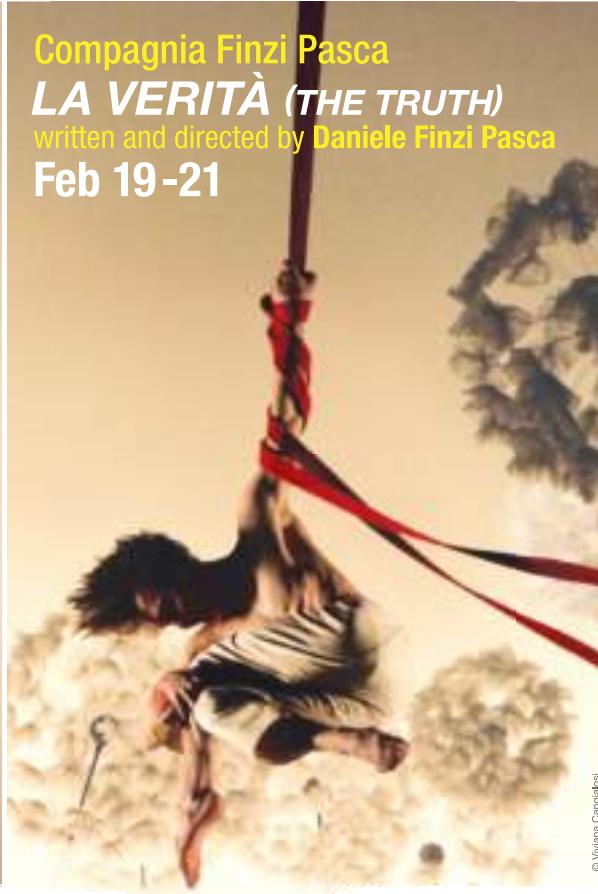
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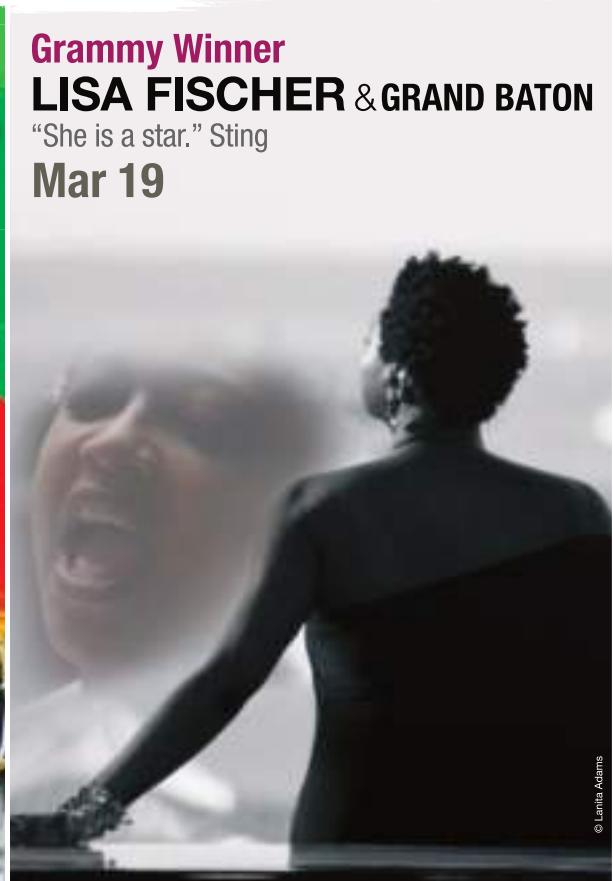
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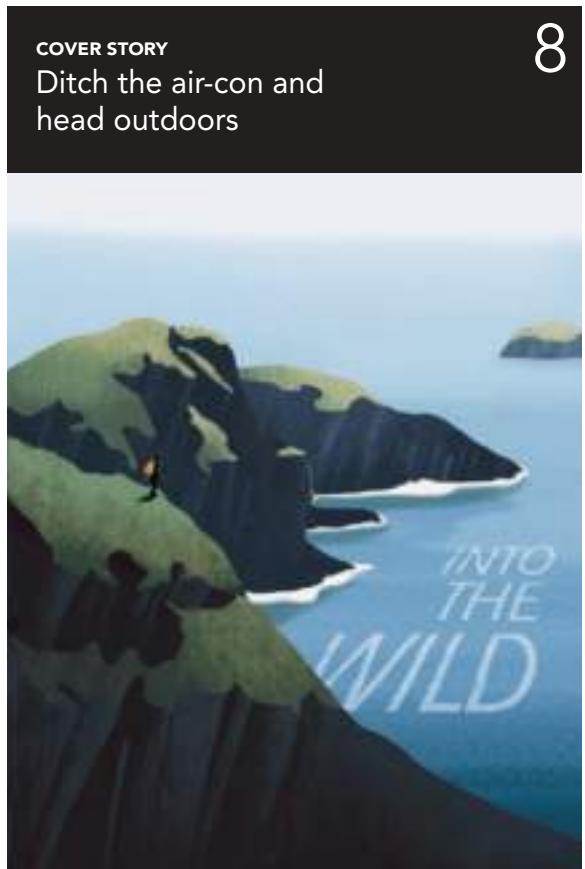
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Misconduct Quiz

Former chief executive Donald Tsang has been charged with two counts of misconduct in public office, making him the highest-ranking official in Hong Kong ever to be charged in court. Meanwhile, Chief Executive CY Leung has been tight-lipped on whether he's going to introduce legislation that could leave all CEs open to prosecution. But would you pass this misconduct test? Take this quiz to find out.

- 1) A tycoon friend offers to cut you a deal on a bottle of Château Lafite 1976 you've been after for years. You...
 - A) Refuse immediately. It doesn't matter how good a friend the tycoon is: The act will be misconstrued.
 - B) Refuse, outraged. A single bottle of wine is worth \$100k, tops. No self-respecting person would be swayed by such a paltry offering.
 - C) Refuse, with prejudice. If it's not Tsingtao, it's not worth quaffing.
- 2) You are attending a poon choi banquet when the chairman of a property development company offers you a lai see packet bulging with \$1,000 bills. You...
 - A) Smile charmingly as you return the lai see, asking him to distribute it to his employees instead.
 - B) Smile charmingly as you accept, before sprinting to the toilets where you can count your haul in peace.
 - C) Smile charmingly until you realize that the business owner has a bad Cantonese accent, at which point you denounce him as corrupt mainland scum.
- 3) During Occupy Central, a shadowy man purporting to represent overseas interests offers you a house on a private island if you keep your mouth shut and do not engage with the public. You...
 - A) Refuse to deal with him and tell everyone about the "foreign forces" who tried to influence your decision.

B) Say yes, but tell everyone that "foreign forces" were involved.

C) Accept, as long as the island is Cheung Chau, Peng Chau or Lamma.

4) Details have emerged of money you accepted from a previous job and did not declare on a register of interests. You...

A) Provide frank and lucid answers to clarify that the money received was for services rendered, not a payment against future favors.

B) Provide unsatisfactory answers while insisting you have fully replied to all allegations.

C) Admit that yes, you should have told everyone about your role as founder and Chief Technical Officer at Colonial Flags 'R' Us.

5) You are invited to Beijing by Xi Jinping himself, where you are wined and dined in the Great Hall of the People. Xi takes you aside and asks if you can help out his nephew Little Xi, who is looking for a six-month internship. You...

A) Tell him you'll pass the CV on to Winky in HR, who will evaluate him on his own merits. You are an equal-opportunities employer, and no amount of guanxi can change that.

B) Lobby for his appointment to the post of Commissioner of the ICAC.

C) Trade on the family name to secede from China and set up Little Xi as the puppet head of the independent Republic of Hong Kong.

How did you do?

Mostly A) You appear to be entirely noble and honest, and therefore you must have lied on this quiz.

Mostly B) You may be guilty of misconduct, and upon conviction you may be liable to seven years in prison. On the bright side, when you are released there's always a pro-vice-chancellor post going at HKU...

Mostly C) You are a localist and therefore nothing you do makes much sense anyway.

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Mr. Know-It-All's

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Dear Mr. Know-It-All,

Why are cha chaan teng staff so testy the whole time?

— Cha Chaan Testy

It's safe to say that cha chaan teng staff aren't the most leisurely group in the world. A CCT makes its money on quick turnaround, and there's rarely time to stop and smell the flowers, pass the time with a customer—or even wait for an indecisive tourist to dither over their order. Exhibit A: the Australia Dairy Company, legendary for their scrambled eggs and short-tempered staff in equal proportion.

The hurried nature of service has given rise to a whole lexicon of cha chaan teng abbreviation, words that can be shouted from table to kitchen to economize on time and effort, or scribbled on a pad without having to blast through 20-stroke Chinese characters.

That's why when you order a lemon tea at a cha chaan teng, you won't see the server laboriously write out the complex characters "檸檬茶," *ling mong cha*. Instead they'll scrawl down a much snappier "0T."

Why? Simple. The number zero is pronounced *ling* in Cantonese. So 0T = *ling tea* = lemon tea.

Here are some other cha chaan teng abbreviations. Try them out next time you order:

- 06 (*ling luk*): sounds like *ling lok*, "lemon Coke."
- 206 (*yee ling luk*): sounds like *yit ling lok*, "hot lemon Coke."
- 走冰 (*zau bing*): "walk ice," meaning "without ice."
- 走青 (*zau tseng*): "walk green," meaning "no vegetables."
- 靚仔 (*leng zai*): handsome man, meaning "white rice."
- 靚仔化妝 (*leng zai faa zhong*): "Handsome man wearing makeup," meaning "white rice with soy sauce." (Not very common, but still excellent.)

- 行街 (*hang gaai*): "go out shopping." Means "this order is for takeaway."
- 加底 (*gaa dai*), "add bottom." A request for an extra helping of noodles or rice.
- 扣底 (*kau dai*), "remove bottom," less rice or noodles.
- 飛砂走奶 (*fei saa zuu nai*): "fly sand, walk milk"—"sand" refers to *saa tong*, granulated sugar. So the phrase means "coffee without sugar or milk."

Learn these abbreviations and maybe you'll make your cha chaan teng waiter a little less impatient with you. Perhaps they'll even crack a smile. You know what they say: "Stranger things have happened at tea..."



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Mr. Know-It-All answers your questions and quells your urban concerns. Send queries, troubles or problems to mrkia@hkmagmedia.com.



This week in My Perfect HK:
As the temperature finally begins to drop, we're thinking about hiking, picnics and other cool-weather fun. So it may be early, but we're declaring hotpot season open. After all, there's no better place in the world than hotpot with a crowd of friends (as long as you're not afraid of germs, anyway). Pull together your favorite people, book a table... and ask for 10 percent off the bill. Hey—it never hurts to ask.

Letters

"Waaaaaaa...never move to HK"

Totally Freaking Metal

Last week Mr Know-It-All explained why the MTR forbids you from bringing metal balloons onto the platforms [Oct 2, issue 1116]. Facebook readers had more to say...

They gave us a huge white bag to put our air-filled metallic balloon on a stick, take that! best way to get a free white trash bag from the MTR!

Wendy Lee

Great guys the MTR staff, wasting plastic bags for selfish customers. But how about the thousands of parallel traders at the border station clogging up all space with their oversized luggage and metal trolleys. Seems they never see them?

Sailor Saki

The Size that Counts

Last week's Hongkabulary [Oct 2, issue 1116] was "Immigflation": moving to Hong Kong and going from an XS to an XXL overnight. We touched a nerve on Facebook...

-Do you have these shoes in 42?
-No, sorry la, sold out! would you like to try in 40?
-...

Christopher Schuler

@Christopher Laughing out loud - that happens quite a lot and I am a 42. I don't understand how someone can negotiate the size of my feet!

Lawrence Lim

haha! funniest ever... story of my life

Pearly Chhabra

I wear UK 14, I haven't buy clothes in local shops for long time, the only place I can buy clothes is Marks and Spencer and zZalora. Asian fashion is not friendly to plus size girls

Mina Chan

@mina UK 14 is not plus size... it's 'normal' :)

Jane Cheeney

@jane But in asia, it is.... Especially when I look for Korea fasion, there is only S and M, seldom L...

Mina Chan

Same thing happened to me Hahahaha Damn Asia made me feel huge. More than a hippopotamus

Stefany Alcivar

Waaaaaaa...never move to HK

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Sai Wan Swimming Shed

Photo by Jenny Wong (Instagram: @wennyjong)

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Friday 10/9

Artistic License

A arty people assemble: The fall edition of this year's **Asia Contemporary Art Show** brings together over 2,000 works from every genre to the SAR. You can meet and talk to the artists, buy originals and limited editions, or just show up for a good ol' fashioned chin-stroke.
Oct 9-11. 40-42/F, Conrad Hong Kong, Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Admiralty. \$220 for two from www.hkticketing.com; \$220 per person at the door.

Saturday 10/10

Feather Boa Bebop

Zuma hosts the **Pink Gatsby Party**, taking you back to the 1920s—the age of glam, glitz and post-war ennui. They'll have a live sax performance, a live DJ, cocktails and plenty of rosé. This is your chance to rock those feather boas, old sport...
7pm. 5-6/F, The Landmark, 15 Queen's Rd., Central. Special packages with two bottles of wine for \$400-1000 from 3657-6388. See **Nightlife**, p.24.

Sunday 10/11

Waka Waka

Feel like appropriating displaced and colonized cultures? Love&Beats is bringing back **Wakanda** to Mahalo Tiki Lounge, with the dress code "tribal inspired." Potential moral minefield, here we come!
3pm-midnight. 29/F, QRE Plaza, 202 Queen's Rd. East, Wan Chai. Free.

Monday 10/12

Birds and Bees

The Park Hotel's Park Cafe has introduced a **Bird's Nest Afternoon Tea Set & Buffet**. Besides bird's nest, there's wagyu, foie gras, crab and parma ham on the menu. Plus, you'll get a coupon for 28 percent off if you like the hotel's Facebook page before Oct 31. That's a pretty good click-to-cash ratio.

Through early Jan 2016; 3-5pm.

The Park Hotel, 61-65 Chatham Rd. South, Tsim Sha Tsui, 2731-2168.

Sets for one from \$158, for two from \$298; weekend and holiday buffets \$188 per adult, \$168 per child.

Wednesday 10/14

Gintastic

Oktoberfest not hard enough for you? Check out **Gintober**, which invites you to drink gin cocktails all month: Just post an Instagram pic of your drink tagged #D1Gintober with a bar check-in, and your tipple's on the house. You can also win a year's supply of G&Ts if you get the most likes. There's only one free drink per bar, so plan your route wisely.
Through Oct 30.
See d1londongin.com for the full list of participating bars.



Thursday 10/15

Sangria, Sangria

La Paloma celebrates **Fiesta Nacional de España**—aka Spanish National Day—with a special menu, where you can gorge yourself on paella, cochinillo, churros and lots of Spanish booze. Get ready for some culo-shaking: Venezuelan DJ Anna will be spinning Latin, Jazz and Spanish music all night long.
6pm. La Paloma, 1/F, SoHo 189, 189 Queen's Rd. West, Sai Ying Pun. \$250 from info@lapaloma.hk or 2291-6161 including six redeemable food and drink vouchers; \$300 at the door, \$50 per additional voucher.

Tuesday 10/13

Love Means Nothing

Here's your one chance to see Venus Williams et al. play in Hong Kong: The **HK Tennis Open** begins today. Ready yourself for a lot of grunting...
Singles qualifiers Oct 10-11, 11am; main draw Oct 12-18, 3pm. Victoria Park Tennis Stadium, 1 Hing Fat St., Causeway Bay. Free on Oct 10-12, \$160-880 thereafter from www.cityline.com.
20 percent off if you book by MasterCard with promo code "HKTOMSC".

Friday 10/16

Cocktails for Kids

After you grab a free Gintober cocktail, you can participate in a **cocktail fundraiser** to raise money for the Children's Dream Foundation. There will be a lucky draw and silent auction with prizes: All proceeds will go to the foundation. Yeah, it's for kids... but don't bring your kids.
6:30-9pm. Café 8, Rooftop, Hong Kong Maritime Museum, Central Pier No. 8. Free.

Saturday 10/17

Stars and Streets

The **Star Street Gourmet & Wine Walk** is back, so "Sip, Smile, Savour" all afternoon: Besides loads of food, wine and music, there are games, giveaways every hour and prizes for their photo contest. Plus, each ticket purchase includes a goodie bag and a souvenir wine glass.
2-6pm. Star Street Precinct.
\$390 from tiny.cc/hk-starstreet before Oct 15; \$330 per person for groups of four or more.



Race Like Royalty

The 41st annual **Sedan Chair Race & Bazaar** is almost upon us. The race requires a team of up to eight to carry another teammate in a sedan chair along a course—and silly costumes are pretty much mandatory. Can we sign up to be the one sitting in the chair?

Oct 25, 10am. Matilda International Hospital, 41 Mount Kellet Rd., The Peak, www.sedanchairace.org.



NEWS

Last Week In Reality

Illustrations: Ryan Chan

SAT 26

It's a Fowl Cop A 54-year-old man is arrested for stealing a traditional Chinese chicken bowl from the Tai O Cultural Workshop museum. The man visits the exhibition at 2pm and takes the chicken bowl from a table before leaving. The owner of the workshop chases after the man, who reluctantly returns the bowl, claiming that it is almost worthless. It is worth over \$500. The thief is arrested after an attempted escape and police discover that he is an off-duty police officer.

SUN 27

Caught Out An 86-year-old man suffering from terminal illness attempts suicide by jumping from the window of his Ma Tau Kok apartment. However, the belt loops of his trousers catch on the window frame as he jumps, and he is left hanging in the air outside. Neighbors call the police and fire brigade, who arrive to rescue him. The man struggles when being rescued, and is sent to the hospital for observation.

MON 28

Rubbish Motives A 51-year-old cleaner arrives at a temporary refuse collection point in Lai Chi Kok to find that the lock on the front door and five large garbage bins have gone missing. She reports the incident to the police, who search the area and find the bins outside Kau Wah Keng, just 100m from the collection point. The lock is still missing. Police suspect that the thief was unable to move bins and so abandoned them. The cleaner tells reporters that she is baffled by the incident and questions the motive for such an act.



TUE 29

Trouser Tusk Customs officers search a man flying from Nigeria to Hong Kong, finding 15kg of ivory in his check-in luggage, hidden in a specially designed set of underwear. They find another 1kg in his carry-on luggage. This is the sixth case of ivory smuggling customs has detected in two months.

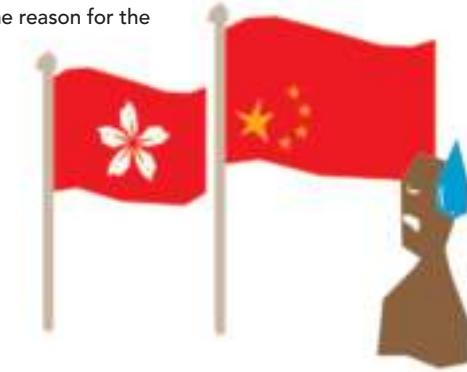


WED 30

Having a Hard Time A man visits a prostitute, paying \$500 for half an hour. When his time is up he has still not finished, and so he pays another \$500 for a further 30 minutes. Unable to perform, he asks to have sex without protection. When the prostitute refuses, he puts her into a headlock, pushes her to the ground, then says he is just playing. The woman runs out of the room to seek help, but the man takes his \$1,000 and flees.

THU 1

False Flag On National Day, a Chinese flag is found hung upside down at a primary school in Sha Tin. On the same day, a SAR flag is also found hung upside down in front of the China Travel Services building. Representatives from CTS say that the incident has never happened before, and that the recent purchase of a new flag may be the reason for the reversal.



FRI 2

Drug Daddy Acting on a tip-off, police halt a seven-seater car on Shek Wai Kok Estate in Tsuen Wan. When the driver gets out of the car, he passes a package to his 81-year-old father. The package is found to contain 10.5kg of ketamine, worth \$1.53 million.

Quote of the Week

"I am very cynical of their intelligence now... Why would they pick people of such intelligence for such highly regarded positions?"

Martin Lee expresses his concern over the HKU Council's controversial decision to block Professor Johannes Chan from being appointed Pro-Vice Chancellor of the university.

Talking Points

We read the news, so you don't have to.

Working Poor Families on the Rise

In its latest report, Oxfam Hong Kong has revealed that the number of **working poor in Hong Kong has risen to 189,500 families**, a 10 percent rise in the last five years. More than half of those households live on an income less than the average **Comprehensive Social Security Assistance welfare scheme**. Oxfam urged the government to adjust MPF mechanisms and institute an annual review of the minimum wage. It also highlighted inequality in Hong Kong, pointing out that the wage gap has been widening for the past three years, the richest 10 percent of Hongkongers owns 77.5 percent of the city's wealth, and **the wealthiest 1 percent of the SAR owns more than half of Hong Kong's total wealth**.

Our take: Great to know the government's really tackling the big issues!

Hong Kong Is Pretty Blind

Myopia cases among Hong Kong students are on the rise: **Nearly 61.5% of children aged 12 or above in Hong Kong suffer from shortsightedness**. Five major optometry institutions have estimated that over the next decade, **14,000 more children a year will develop myopia**. Optometrists have urged the government to develop policies to control the problem: The Chairman of the Hong Kong Association of Private Practice Optometrists explained that **possible reasons for the rise of nearsightedness include parents allowing children to use electronic devices** at a young age, and the lack of outdoor activities. He suggested that parents should keep children under age six from using mobile phones and other electronic devices.

Our take: Good luck keeping a kid from an iPad...



Illustration: Joyce Kwok

Street Talk

Hotels around town are gearing up for hairy crab season, but the Royal Plaza's been plating up claypot crab congee. Except it's not actually crab congee—it's a cake. The hotel's Executive Pastry Chef **Roy Chan** has been designing desserts disguised as popular Asian dishes, from "beef noodle" chocolate cake to "tempura ramen" mango custard cake. He takes Evelyn Lok through his confusing creations.



HK Magazine: When did the ideas for these cakes begin?

Roy Chan: I didn't specifically set out to make this series of cakes. The idea behind it was a discussion with colleagues on how to make more interesting cakes, since nowadays people usually "eat with their cameras first"—when you present the dish everyone whips out their phone to snap photos. Personally, I actually like simpler desserts without that much decoration.

HK: How do you decide on what dishes to replicate?

RC: I make desserts from dishes that most people would have eaten or at least seen before, dishes that are instantly recognizable. For fall, we got our ideas from seasonal ingredients such as Okinawa purple sweet potato, chestnuts and crab.

HK: How do you make the toppings?

RC: It's a challenge! I don't want to rely on using fondant to shape them, so it takes more time to think of how to go about it, and it might also take longer to make the actual product. For instance, on top of traditional claypot rice there's usually a vegetable garnish. For our recreation we brainstormed a lot of ways to recreate this. We ended up using buttercream, because piping it on top creates the best effect and it's also the quickest.

HK: What's wrong with making fondant toppings?

RC: If we used fondant it'd be easy. You could just roll out a shrimp tempura shape and dredge it in cake crumbs and that's it. Fondant icing does look grander and is better for details, but it wouldn't taste very good, plus people usually put it aside and won't eat it. Instead, we had to think about what kinds of ingredients were durable enough, and what we could use to mimic the shapes of the actual toppings. Eating a chocolate crab shell is definitely better than having it in fondant! Plus, the most important part of making these cakes is how easy they are to make. A fondant cake could sell for \$3,000-\$4,000, but it would take at least two days to make one. We want to make it on a larger scale and don't want to sell it at such a high price.

HK: What's the hardest part of making these cakes?

RC: The toughest part was making the molds for certain toppings, such as the crab shell, so it would look consistent. We actually bought custom mold-making kits—the ones you use to make Gundam models—to create them.

HK: What has feedback been like from customers?

RC: Guests at the hotel and passersby have been curious: "How come there's a bowl of noodles in the cake display case?" And there have even been requests to change

toppings, with people saying "can I not have shrimps and have two abalones instead?" It's like they turned the whole thing into a cart noodle shop! But custom orders are not impossible. We add a little extra money and if the customer is happy, we're fine with it.

HK: What's next, chef?

RC: I've always been thinking of making a sashimi rice cake—we already did a sushi dish before for a special promotion. For salmon we'd use layers of milk pudding and orange pudding, and for tuna we'd use raspberry juice.

Fool your friends with a "sweet surprise" cake

(from \$330 for a 1lb cake) from the Royal Plaza Hotel Cake Shop, 193 Prince Edward Rd. West, Prince Edward, 2928-8822, www.royalplaza.com.hk.

Blowing Water

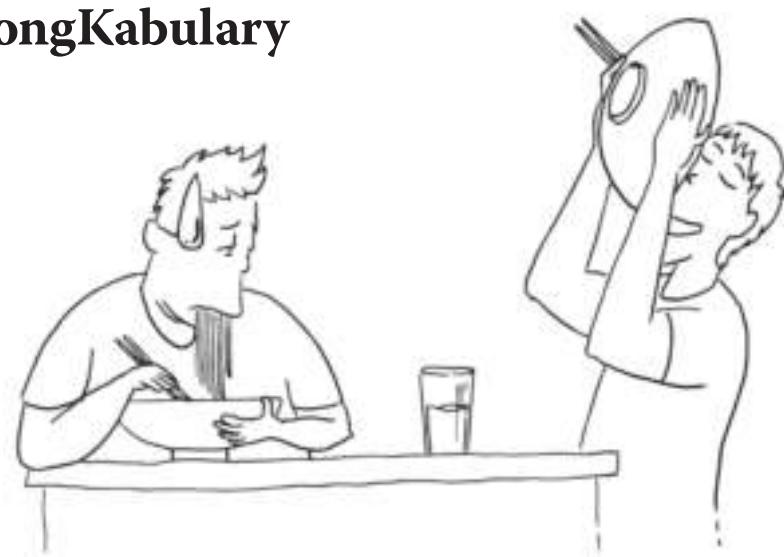
吹水 (*chui sui*), v. Cantonese slang. To chat, bullshit.

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"STEAK HOUSE"

"A room full of ugly women." Derives from *zhu paa*, "pork chop," meaning an ugly woman.

HongKabulary



Dining Differential (dāɪnɪŋ dɪfərənsɪl), n.

The gulf in eating speeds between someone skilled in the use of chopsticks and a relative novice.

"You ate that bowl of noodles in 20 seconds! How did you do that?!"
"It's just the dining differential. Learn to use chopsticks, already."

INTO THE WILD

As the weather cools down, you can finally get outside without sweating through your clothes within five seconds of leaving the house. **Adam White** and **Justin Heifetz** find 21 awesome things to do in the great outdoors.

Hit the Trail

Fall is the perfect hiking season in Hong Kong, so ditch those skinny jeans and grab that water as you set out on these easyish trails.

Oh My God

Ever wondered how much Jesus suffered? Get an inkling on the beach-to-beach hike from **Discovery Bay to Mui Wo**. Dehydration, sore muscles and the struggle to put one foot in front of the other—there's a fair amount of uphill on this Lantau hike, but it's only really torturous because the walk up to the Trappist Monastery halfway between the two bays is lined with statues of the 12 Stations of the Cross, which brings this hike closer to religious ecstasy than you'd expect. Best done on a Sunday, for obvious reasons.

How long? About two hours.

Getting there: Take the ferry from Central Pier No.3 to Discovery Bay. Walk up the road and turn left, then right to get to the starting point of the hike.

Reservoir Dogs ▶

So you're a weakling who wilts at the first sight of a flight of stairs? No problem. Take a gentle downhill stroll through Tai Tam Reservoir where the **Tai Tam Family Walk** segues into the **Tai Tam Waterworks Heritage Trail**, which is pretty great if you like colonial masonry. Can't even manage that? Hire a pedalo and splash around the nearby Wong Nai Chung Reservoir instead.

How long? About two and a half hours.

Getting there: Take bus 6 from Central, 76 from Causeway Bay or 41A from North Point Ferry Pier.

Willisonnnnn!

Stage 2 of the Wilson Trail is a fairly straightforward hike with unbelievably good views looking out over North Point and Kowloon. Be warned: There are quite a lot of steps where you least expect them. The best thing about doing this trail this time of year is that it ends in Quarry Bay, next to the **Tong Chong Street Market** which runs every Sunday until the end of the year. This means you can reward yourself with hipster street food at the end of your trek, which is a pretty compelling incentive.

How long? Around three hours.

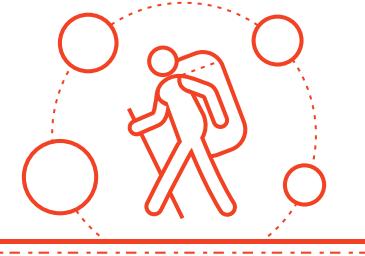
Getting there: Get a cab to Parkview. The trail is clearly signposted.

Wan of Us

There are few things more rewarding than the hike to **Tai Long Wan**. Yes, these days the trail will be pretty busy on the weekends. But it's still a great hike with pristine beaches which await at the end of it, and you can hire camping equipment to spend the night under the stars before grabbing a ferry back the next morning.

How long? A strenuous two hours.

Getting there: Take the 29R minibus from Chan Man Rd. in Sai Kung, across from the McDonald's, to the last stop, Sai Wan Pavillion.



How Now, Macau?

Macau isn't all casinos and that ruined church. The rest of the city may have been glitzed over, but the southernmost island of **Coloane** still retains plenty of greenery. It's an easy walk around the island, and best of all: You can go for a well-deserved dinner by the beach at **Fernando's** (9 Praia de Hac Sa, Coloane, (+853) 2888-2531) afterwards.

How long? Two hours.

Getting there: Hail a taxi and stop at the barbecue pits by Estrada do Altinho de Ka Ho.



Take it easy at Tai Tam Reservoir



Rock out on Tung Ping Chau

Photo: XeX via Flickr

Island Hop

You might not be able to discover all 263 of Hong Kong's outlying islands, but you can start with five.

Great Grass

Tap Mun, aka Grass Island, is a popular camping site, thanks to its gentle slopes and panoramic views. The fishing village is a true slice of old Hong Kong, and cattle roam freely on the hills. So if you're cooking, make sure to seal everything up before you go to sleep.

Getting there: Kaitos run from Ma Liu Shui and Wong Shek Piers in Sai Kung.

Abandonment Issues ▼

The island of **Yim Tin Tsai** was once home to a thriving Hakka community who farmed salt in the area. But as the industry died the population moved away, and now the island is home to all of one person. Which means it's full of spookily abandoned buildings which nature has begun to reclaim—and, for some reason, the UNESCO-rated St. Joseph's Chapel, built by Catholic missionaries in 1890.

Getting there: Kaitos run from Sai Kung pier and Yim Tin Tsai on weekends and public holidays and take about 15 minutes.

Sunrise Kingdom ▲

Tung Ping Chau is in the far northeast of Mirs Bay, and is actually much closer to China than to the SAR. But that's not the only reason it's adventure worthy. This quiet island is famed for its rock pools, unique geology and stunning sunrises. The only downside is that it takes so long to get there.

Getting there: Kaitos run on weekends and public holidays from Ma Liu Shui pier. The ride takes 1 hour and 40 minutes.

Tee for Two

Now that the weather's cooler, it makes sense to spend half the day on a barren landscape looking for a tiny white speck. Yup, it's prime golf season. Head to **Kau Sai Chau** in Sai Kung, which is the city's only public golf course (from \$390 for 9 holes). Yes, a golf course on a remote island does sound like a Bond movie scene. What better reason to play there?

Getting there: Ferries run regularly from the dedicated pier in Sai Kung.

Cheung Fun

It's island exploration-lite if you visit **Cheung Chau**, but there are a couple of lesser-trodden paths on everyone's favorite island. Plus you can always visit Cheung Po Tsai Cave, a little wriggle space said to be where the famous buccaneer hoarded his treasure.

Getting there: Take the ferry from Central Pier No.5.



Abandon yourself in Yim Tin Tsai

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Camping for Wimps

If you like the idea of staying out in the open, but you're pretty sure you'll get scared halfway through the night and run for shelter, try **AirBnBing** a place in the New Territories. Lots of space to run around in—and a roof over your head for when the typhoon rolls in.

Go Shoot a Wild Boar

No, not really. But if you're out and about in the New Territories there's a good chance you'll see these little (and big) critters. The government urges that you report them if they're being a nuisance: The complaint hotline for these porcine pests is **1823**. And remember, heed the government's somewhat wordy advice: "If you see wild pigs in the wild, you should keep calm, stay away and leave them undisturbed."





Come abseil away

Photo: Scott Mills

Action Stations

The lower the ambient temperature, the more time you have before you collapse of heat stroke! It's time to get active...

Rock Out on a Rock Face ▲

Thrill seekers, adrenaline junkies or those of you with just a really good grip: Hong Kong is actually pretty great for rock climbing. Turns out **Lion Rock**, the mountain crag that tears through the line between Kowloon and the New Territories, has more functionality than tunnels and Occupy banners: The buttresses can be climbed—for details check out hongkongclimbing.com. If you're more of a beginner, **Tung Lung Chau**, which can be reached by ferry from Sai Wan Ho, has the "technical wall"—a fairly easily navigable climb on pure volcanic rock. It's the most popular climbing destination in Hong Kong. Looking for a more controlled setting? Head to the outdoor climbing wall at **YMCA King Park's Centenary Center** (22 Gascoigne Rd., Yau Ma Tei, 2782-6682). Climbing lessons cost \$450 per hour, but less if you go in a group.

Learn to surf ▶

It doesn't matter that the water's getting cooler—you'll be wearing a wetsuit and falling in a lot anyway. The **Surf School** in Tai Long Wan (3482-3912, surf.hongkong.com) offers lessons to the woefully inexperienced and annoyingly experienced alike. Sessions start at \$350 if you organize a group booking of more than eight people, with smaller groups costing more.

Get Rugged for Charity

If you've ever wondered what it's like taking disaster relief to the most remote corners of the world, now's your chance. The **IP Global TriChallenge** on December 5 recreates the conditions that employees from relief charity Shelterbox must face out in the field: rafting, abseiling and running across 10km of terrain in Sai Kung, all while carrying an enormous crate of goods. Challenges will pop up along the way and there's a tougher 16km race if you're... insane. But best of all, proceeds from the event will go to Shelterbox. Register by October 25 at trichallenge.com.hk.

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Top Three Alternatives to Being Outdoors

Hate fresh air? Try these foolproof indoors solutions.

1. Seal yourself off from the world in an "isolation tank" aka "floaty nap pod," at **Float On Hong Kong** (www.floatonhk.com). For an all-too-short hour, you will be alone with yourself. Hope you're interesting.
2. Live in Elements shopping mall forever, because once you set foot inside you will NEVER get out again.
3. "Netflix and chill" when the movie and TV streaming service launches in early 2016.

Grill 'em, Cowboy

Soon you'll be able to stand by a collection of embers without sweating out your body's entire supply of moisture in seconds: It's time to go BBQ!

Shek it Now Baby

Shek O main beach has a few BBQ pits, but they go quick. Play it safe (and easy) by booking a spot at **Liu's BBQ** (Shek O Main Beach, 2809-4579). This private BBQ site provides the charcoal and the space, so you don't have to show up at 6am to guarantee yourself a spot. The only problem? Trying to get a cab home at the end of the day when you're drunk and dealing with a serious case of meat sweats...

Pick a Platform

Forget private kitchens. What you want is **Private Corner** in Yung Shue O (facebook.com/PrivateCornerYSO, 5986-6868). You'll get speedboated out to this converted fishing platform, where you can spend the day swimming and grilling in your own private corner of Sai Kung: It's like a sedentary junk trip. If you're really lucky with a line, you can even cook up what you catch.

History Grills

Grill up some history at **Pinewood Battery** in Lung Fu Shan Country Park, a picnic site set in the ruins of a military fort built in 1901. One of the two barbecue sites is also home to a lookout built on top of a World War II pillbox. It's an easy walk from The Peak.



Surf's up, dude

Photo: Felix Wong/SCMP

Chill Out

What better time of year to lie under the night sky and look into the infinitesimal void of space, wondering if that shooting star means your fate will—oh, wait, it's just a plane.

Gaze for Days ►

The **Hong Kong Astropark** in Sai Kung was the SAR's answer to light pollution—well, that's what the government said when it opened in 2010—and it's comforting to know that somehow, in this little corner of Hong Kong, neon signs on blast at 3am aren't causing full-on mania. Head to the Astropark for either an overnight experience, where the park (or "naked-eye observation area," as it's called) promises a laid-back camping experience under the stars; or go and have a field day with the telescopes instead. Download the free **SkyView Free** app to guide you through the stars, data-free.

Getting there: Obviously, the Astropark is in the middle of nowhere. Take bus 94, 96R or 698R, or green minibus 7 or 9, to Pak Tam Chung in Sai Kung and then take a taxi for about 15 minutes. There are also scheduled shuttle buses to and from Sai Kung Tang Shiu Kin Sports Ground.

Carry on Glamping

Go glamping—that's "glam camping," if you've not been reading much Cosmo recently—at **Mingle Farm**, who have caravans and tents available for rental. But it's not just tents: Mingle Farm also has see-through bubble igloo tents for hire (from \$1,200), so you can spend the night gazing up at the wide universe overhead. Either that, or someone's just stolen the tent.

30 Fung Ka Wai, Tin Chi Rd., Yuen Long, 2891-8263,
www.minglefarm.com.

Get Your Zen Back

All those numberless stars generated an existential crisis? A massive injection of spirituality should help you rediscover your zen. Luckily, this is readily available in the form of the **Ten Thousand Buddhas Monastery** in Sha Tin, where, yes, 10,000 iterations of the Enlightened One festoon every available surface. In fall, the half-hour or so steptastic slog lined with unique (and silly) buddhas will be far more manageable. Your crisis of self? That's up to you.

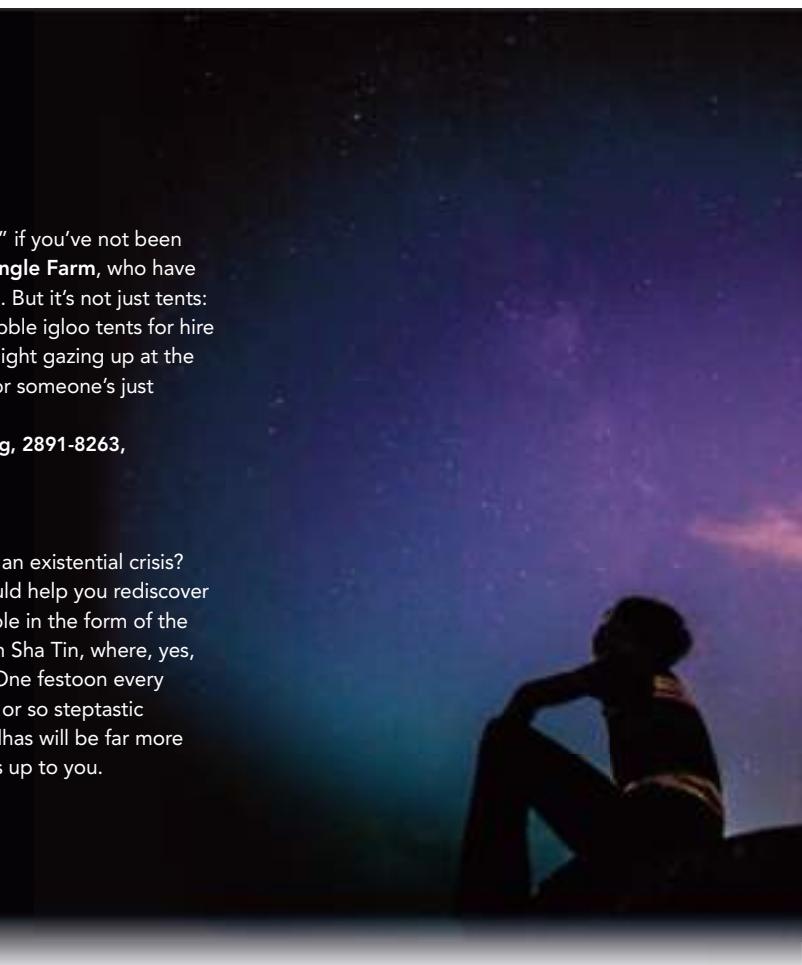


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Seasonal Hairy Crab Feast at Tao Li

Learn more

From October until December 2015, Tao Li's Head Chef So Kei Pak presents an array of Jiangsu hairy crab delicacies. Be tempted by creamy roe and delicate crabmeat in his hearty culinary creations.

For reservations, call 2313 4225.

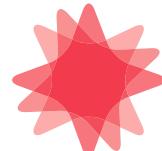


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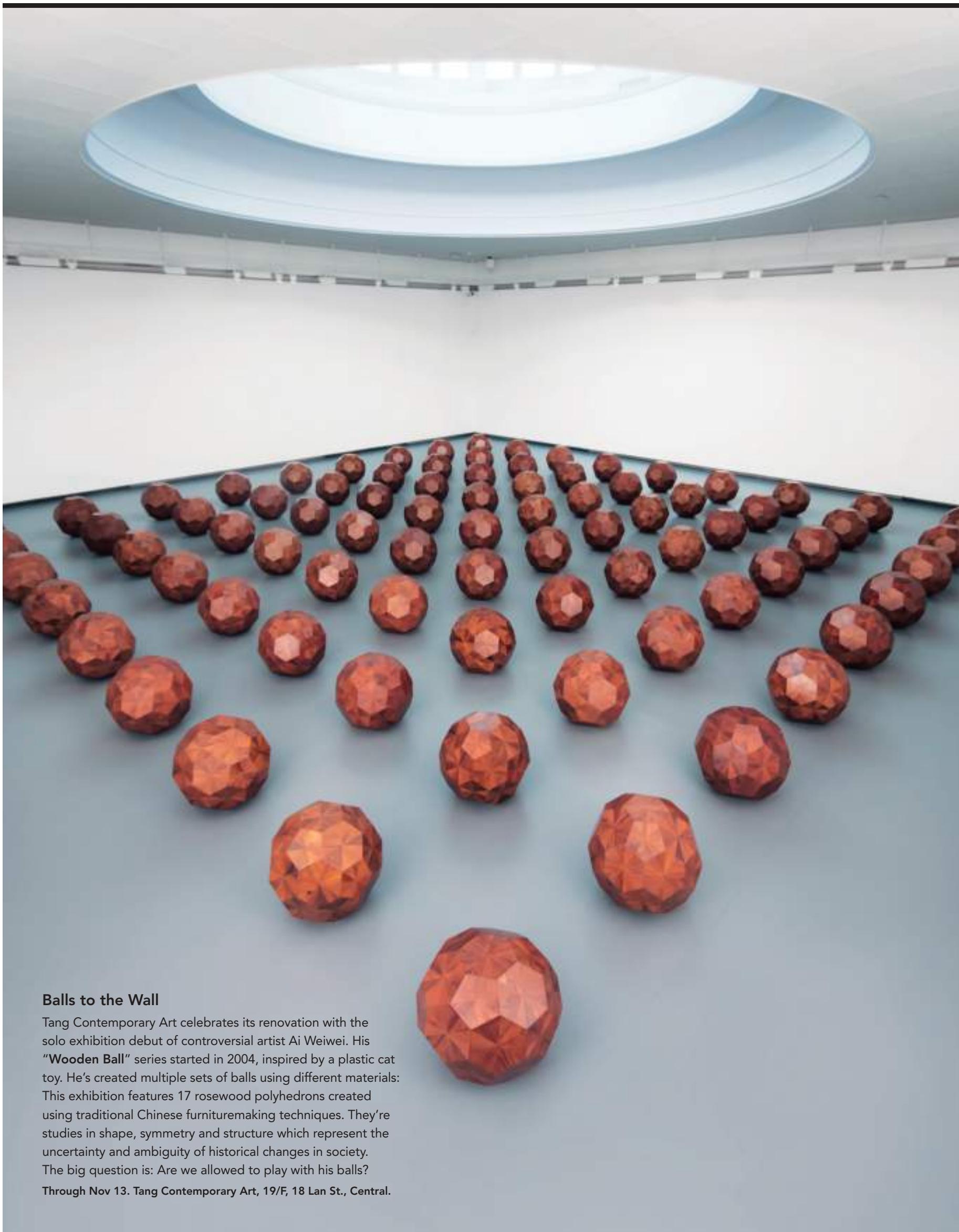
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Balls to the Wall

Tang Contemporary Art celebrates its renovation with the solo exhibition debut of controversial artist Ai Weiwei. His "Wooden Ball" series started in 2004, inspired by a plastic cat toy. He's created multiple sets of balls using different materials: This exhibition features 17 rosewood polyhedrons created using traditional Chinese furnituremaking techniques. They're studies in shape, symmetry and structure which represent the uncertainty and ambiguity of historical changes in society.

The big question is: Are we allowed to play with his balls?

Through Nov 13. Tang Contemporary Art, 19/F, 18 Lan St., Central.

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Beach Please

Fall is the perfect time to take a tropical trip around Southeast Asia, and going on holiday is no excuse not to stay chic. At the beach, go for something light like this playsuit from **Faithfull the Brand**. With its breezy cotton texture and bohemian aesthetic, it's a great choice for a relaxed day at the beach but equally appropriate for dinner and drinks after sundown. Accessories are also an essential part of the vacation chic look—a hat not only blocks UV rays, but it'll also get you extra marks in any fashion exam. For me, rings are the easiest way to enhance the femininity in your outfit. Layer them up to create a real boho look!



Sunglasses, \$1,200



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Playsuit, \$1,086 from **Faithfull the Brand**, available at www.shopbop.com.

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Sunglasses, necklace and clutch all from **Kate Spade**, Shop 2083, IFC Mall, 8 Finance St., Central, 3188-1928.

Chicken ring from **Les Amis**, 6B Union Commercial Building, 12-16 Lyndhurst Terrace, Central, 3796-3688, lesamisjouel.com.

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Dreamy backdrop—Sri Panwa's refurbished Cool Spa has just reopened



Tranquil surroundings, whatever your blood type



Scrub me delicious

Treat Me or Eat Me

If the idea of edible body scrubs and specific blood type therapies sounds intriguing, you're going to want to check out **Sri Panwa's** refurbished Cool Spa, which has just reopened on Cape Panwa at the southeastern tip of Phuket.

Two new rooms focus on traditional Thai massage and the other six are dedicated to oil massage, all housed in a rainforest overlooking Phuket's archipelago. But while that does sound awesome, it's the specifics of the treatments that are tantalizing us.

Inspired by the exotic ingredients of Thai cuisine—many of which are grown in the resort's kitchen garden—Cool Spa's menu of edible scrubs include tom yum, mango sticky rice, som tum, grass jelly Thai tea and espresso. So if the treatments don't work for you, at least you get a decent meal out of it.

Meanwhile the innovative blood type therapies are devised "according to the specific needs and idiosyncrasies of the four different blood types," says the resort, although it doesn't reveal how each differs and why.

To celebrate the revamped Cool Spa, Sri Panwa is offering packages tailored to men and women which include body wraps, baths, scrubs massages, facials, manicures and pedicures. Each treatment lasts a mighty four hours and 50 minutes and costs THB10,800++ (\$2,300) per person. Five hours of massage for \$2,000? With a deal like that, the flight pretty much pays for itself.

Sri Panwa Spa Resort, Phuket, Thailand, (+66) 7637-1000, sripanwa.com.



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Kung Fu (Panda) Fighting

Love Kung Fu Panda? Love the idea of learning kung fu at the Kung Fu Panda Academy (yes, it's a thing)?

Sorry, grown-ups, you can't. But if you know any little people, aged 4-12, they can. And to be honest, they'd probably enjoy it more than you. Thanks to the popularity of Sheraton Macao Hotel's **Kung Fu Panda Academy** during the summer holidays, the hotel has extended the program through Jan 3, 2016. The hotel's Kung Fu Panda hotel package gives one night for two adults in a deluxe king or twin room, breakfast or lunch at a designated hotel restaurant and two Kung Fu Panda Academy entry tickets, with an option to use the Shine Spa.

Meanwhile kids stay and eat for free, which is just as well, as they'd rather be hitting each other than hitting the buffet. There's not much hitting in evidence at the academy, though, which is more about navigating a five-zone interactive obstacle course that's designed to challenge kids' physical and problem-solving abilities alike.

Single sessions start from MOP200 (\$194) per child (with free entry for one adult); while the Kung Fu Panda Package starts at \$1,498. Need more DreamWorks in your life? You can book family suite packages themed after Shrek, Kung Fu Panda or Madagascar, from \$2,588. Prices do not include 10% service charge and 5% government tax.

(+853) 2880-2000, sheratonmacao.com.



Spacious spa at Wanda Vista Xishuangbanna



A Wanda-rous world of water awaits

Rainforest Retreat

Back on a the spa theme, the new **Wanda International Resort Complex** in Xishuangbanna, southern Yunnan province, has drawn on its location in the largest and most well-preserved rainforest in the northern hemisphere as inspiration for its new Shui spa. The rainforest-themed spa is made up of five detached villas, each featuring a treatment room, "card room" (whatever that is), hot tub and outdoor swimming pool.

Along with the Wanda International Resort Complex, two other properties—DoubleTree by Hilton and Holiday Inn—together form a new holiday destination. The complex includes a theme park, a rainforest recreation and adventure park, a hospital, commercial center, a theater and a new resort village. I don't know about you, but I don't like seeing the words "adventure park" and "hospital" in the same sentence. Anyway, I'm sure it's fine.

Wanda Vista Xishuangbanna Resort's 26 buildings are designed to blend with their natural surroundings while emphasizing local Dai heritage and culture. Its 151 guestrooms, comprising villas, suites and detached private villas, come with a private pool, tropical garden and open terrace. Prices start at RMB1,080 (\$1,300).

wandahotels.com, (400) 088-8899.

DINING



Show Us Your Privates

Yanis Chan seeks out the best private kitchens in the New Territories.

Choy Joy

Choy Choy's Kitchen is one of the most popular private kitchens in the New Territories, and with good reason. Hidden away in Kam Tin's Kat Hing Wai village, the restaurant isn't easy to find but it's definitely worth the effort. Signature dishes include soy sauce chicken and grey mullet steamed with pickled lemon, all sourced from the surrounding markets. If you're lucky, you'll also get to try homemade ice cream, flavored with all-natural ingredients such as yam, sweet potato, almond, corn and cucumber.

198 Kat Hing Wai, Yuen Long, 3126-5109.

Ice Cool

A five minute walk from Yuen Long Station, **Nam Shan Hin Private Kitchen** serves up classic cha chaan teng-style sets such as deep fried chicken legs, club sandwiches or fried beef noodles. But what gets the foodies making the trip is Nam Shan's signature iced milk tea, which comes with a milk tea ice lolly to stir into your drink, making it stronger and richer as it melts.

178 Wong Uk Tsuen, Yuen Long, 2160-3188.

Red Red Dine

A blue wooden storefront may seem unusual for a restaurant called **Red Kitchen**, but this Hakka private joint in Long Ping is something special. There are five different nine-course set menus which range from \$250-\$350 per person and serve up classic Hakka cuisine, including their signature glutinous rice stuffed duck. It's hard and time-consuming to make as the duck must be deboned, stuffed with seasoned sticky rice, and then carefully cooked for a crispy skin and juicy meat. Make sure to leave room for the sticky red date cake. Reservations are essential.

G/F, Block 35, Chun Hing New Village, Long Ping,

Yuen Long, 6769-0299.

Walled Off

If you think that walled village cuisine is limited to big vats of poon choi, you've been missing out. Fanling Wai village is home to **Café F39**, serving up authentic French cuisine from a three-story village house. Owners Mr. and Mrs. Pang spent 20 years in France, and on returning to Hong Kong they've brought all their expertise into this private kitchen. There's no fixed menu—Mr. Pang simply cooks up the freshest ingredients he finds every day. There are only four tables, so make sure to reserve a spot in advance.

6F Fan Leng Pak Wai, Fanling, 2672-7550.



Choux wisely at Café F39



Farm-to-table at O-veg

O is for Organic

Kam Tin restaurant **O-veg** is all about the zen vibes, serving up vegetarian dishes made from all-organic ingredients. Founder Steve Cheung Chi is a former chef at farm-to-table restaurant IPC Foodlab, and he's continued the ethos on the family farm. Cheung harvests his ingredients the same day that they're cooked to ensure the best menu possible. Grab a seat in the leafy al fresco area, or head inside the farmhouse for a more intimate meal. A three-course meal is \$250 per person—but it's so popular that you'll have to book at least two weeks in advance. Open on Fridays and weekends only.

G/F, 53 Tai Kong Po, Kam Tin, Yuen Long, 2893-3037.

Such Shellfishness

Good seafood is all about freshness, and **Power Shell** makes a point of serving up the best in the city. Chef Papa Lo keeps his ingredients and cooking styles simple to bring out the freshness of the seafood—a must-try are the clams fried in pepper, garlic and homemade chili sauce. Power Shell is almost always packed, so reservations are a must.

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DINING



Seafood galore at The Optimist

Grilling on the Bright Side

It's a Wan Chai special this week: 239 Hennessy Road is getting topped-and-tailed thanks to the opening of the ground-floor **The Optimist** (G/F, 239 Hennessy Road, Wan Chai, 2433-3324), by the team who also runs Pirata on the top floor of the building. The concept is northern Spanish food, but this isn't tapas and paella—instead the centerpiece is the asador grill, serving up HUGE plates of flame-grilled steak and seafood. Keep an eye out for the

enormous 1.2kg txuleta steak: Bone-in rib eye, dry aged for 45 days and served perfectly, charred on the outside and red inside. Also excellent is charcoal grilled rice, a beautiful blend of saffron rice with punches of salty iberico pork. The resto is spread over three floors, and each level has a different feel—we like the cool, leafy ground floor with its green-accented trelliswork. You'll want to come hungry—and with lots of people—to take advantage of these bites.

RESTAURANT REVIEWS

Yoshi Yoshi ★★★★☆

Japanese. G/F, 26 Apliu St., Sham Shui Po, 5199-4233.


daikon (\$12) was a Japanese-style mild-flavored winter radish, marinated in miso for a tender and flavorful combo. The biggest surprise came from the thick egg roll (\$42)—relatively pricy compared to the other dishes, but absolutely worth it, thanks to its soft and spongy outer layers and slightly runny interior. Oden vegetables cooked in broth (\$30) and grilled okra (\$18) were a good healthy match with our sweet, warm sake.

This Japanese izakaya is a hidden gem tucked away in Sham Shui Po. Simple décor and super-friendly staff make you feel at home, from the second you walk in the door.

■ **HIT** It was a surprise to find such delicate flavors all throughout our meal, and for really good value. Cold sesame tofu (\$23) was a good starter, with a hint of tartness to whet the appetite. Oden

■ **MISS** No big complaints, but while our steamed clams with sake (\$98) were fresh, they could have had a hint more wine.

■ **BOTTOM LINE** Sake, beers, good food, great value and friendly staff: We're big fans of Yoshi Yoshi.

Open Mon-Sat, 6pm-2am. \$

Ratings

★ Don't go ★★ Disappointing ★★★ We'll be back ★★★★ We'll be back—with friends ★★★★★ You MUST go

Price Guide

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NEW AND NOTED



Bun to Be Wild

Hong Kong's sandwich game is on the up—finally. After starting out with market stalls and catering gigs, **Bread & Beast** (3 Swatow St., Wan Chai, 9120-6869) has opened a permanent shop on Swatow Street. This sandwichery doesn't mess around: Baguettes, ciabattas and brioche are stuffed with ox tongue, herbed porchetta, cola marinated pork shoulder, fried chicken and more. We're particularly interested in the "Not your average ngau lam noodle" sandwich: 42-hour slow-cooked beef brisket with a honey hoisin glaze, spring onion slaw and pickled bak choi in a baguette. We're salivating just thinking about it.

Get Foxed

Not content with hosting Djibouti and the Butchers Club Burger, Wan Chai's Landale Street is now home to a new branch of **Foxtail & Broomcorn** (Shop 5, Rialto Building, 2 Landale St., Wan Chai, 2603-2022). The hipster noodle joint serves up the same MSG-free bites as its original Sheung Wan outlet but in a much larger space. On the menu? Asian-inspired noodle dishes, drawing on the cuisines of Japan, Taiwan, Thailand and Hong Kong alike, all with a modern twist. Will it be packed for lunch by the time you read this? You bet.

Momojein ★★★★☆

Korean. 23/F, QRE Plaza, Queen's Rd. East, Wan Chai, 2789-1949.



Momojein is a Korean-inspired modern resto in the heart of Wan Chai, offering up fun, creative takes on traditional dishes.

■ HIT From the list of "small" menu items, we were recommended their signature Kalbi Hotteok (\$82), a hand-ground beef short-rib ball wrapped in a thin, pan-fried rice-flour bun. It was crispy on the outside but the meat was juicy.

and flavorful, and the tangy horseradish-based sauce added the perfect bite. We had the seafood and perilla seed noodles (\$130) which were great: The homemade noodles held the thick sauce well with plenty of shrimp, clams and calamari to go around. For dessert we had sweet potato (\$65), which included berries and chopped almonds and was cooked three ways: sugar-glazed chunks, crispy chips and mousse.

■ MISS Sea urchin bibimbap (\$160) was served on a plate (what!?) and there really wasn't enough of it to mix across all of the rice. The dried vegetables mixed in were also pretty tough, so we ended up picking some of it out of the rice.

■ BOTTOM LINE These trendy Korean bites have us planning our next visit.

Open Tue-Sun noon-3pm, 6-11pm. \$\$

Our Policy

Reviews are based on actual visits to the establishments listed by our super-sneaky team of hungry reviewers, without the knowledge of the restaurants. Reviews are included at the discretion of the editors and are not paid for by the restaurants. Menus, opening hours and prices change and should be checked. New restaurants are not reviewed within one month of their opening. Reviews are written from a typical diner's perspective. Ratings are awarded in accordance with the type of restaurant reviewed, so the city's best wonton noodle stall could earn five stars while a fancy French restaurant could be a one-star disaster.

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CITY STROLL

Kimberley Road, Tsim Sha Tsui

Kimberley Road: That's just Korean food and wedding shops, isn't it? But this Tsim Sha Tsui street has more to offer than just that, with fascinating little stores hidden away in dilapidated buildings and a few more surprises along the way. This month, we check out everything it has to offer.

K-culture on Kimberley

One of Kowloon's original thoroughfares, Kimberley Road dates back as far as 1897. Named after John Wodehouse, first Earl of Kimberley and Secretary of State for the Colonies from 1870 to 1874, it and Kimberley Street to the south are now also home to "Little Korea," an area full of Korean restaurants and grocery stores, which have multiplied in the past few years thanks to the explosion of K-culture in Hong Kong.



1 MISTER CHRONO

Champagne Court has a few watch shops but this is our favorite, because it doesn't sell watches so much as watch straps and top-end watch boxes. Don't know what a watch box is? Then you probably don't own enough "timepieces" for that to matter. We're particular fans of the watch "box" made from the engine block of a V12 Lamborghini Diablo, where each piston hole has been converted to fit an individual timepiece. It's yours for a mere \$288,000.

**Shop 10-11, G/F, Champagne Court,
16 Kimberley Rd., Tsim Sha Tsui, 5525-1811.**



2 COLOR RICH

Stocks teddy bears and plushies of every hue under the sun. We're big fans of the plushy walruses, because why not?

35A Kimberley Rd., Tsim Sha Tsui, 2904-6855.



3 SUN KEE

Incredibly popular with celebrities, but Sun Kee has every right to be thanks to their signature instant noodles tossed in cheese sauce and served with char-grilled pork neck. Think of it as Hong Kong-style mac-n-cheese, if it helps.

**Shop 13-14, G/F, Champagne Court,
16 Kimberley Rd., Tsim Sha Tsui, 2722-4555.**



4 CHICKEN HOF & SOJU

Also known as Lee Ga Chicken. Probably the originator of the city's Korean Fried Chicken fad, and still worth a visit. But if you're just passing through make sure to stop off at the takeaway branch just down the road, which serves up popcorn chicken slotted into a Coke cup for just \$28.

**G/F, Kam Kok Mansion, 84 Kimberley Rd.,
Tsim Sha Tsui, 2375-8080.**



Check back next week for more picks from Kimberley Street!

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Price: \$1,988 / \$2,398
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Diane von Furstenberg

Hannah Love is Life Scarf
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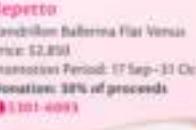
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Mochiuchi Handbag
Price: \$2,000 (Small) / \$3,170 (Large)
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Folli Follie
Ivy Watch

Price: \$2,525
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Cendrillon Ballerina Flat Venus
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Promotion Period: 17 Sep-31 Oct
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Dinner Rouge Mango and Lychee Cake
Price: \$420
Promotion Period: From now until stock last
Donation: 10% of proceeds
① 2890-2899



Regina Miracle

Selected Pink Bra
Price: \$348-\$398
Donation: 5% of proceeds
① 3438-6107



Pure Apparel

Pink Items and Accessories
Donation: Part of the proceeds
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Cabini Klein Underwear

Perfectly Fit With Lace Modern Tailored Bra & Bikini / Push Positive Bra & Bikini / Icon Perfect Push Up Bra & Bikini *Designed style
Price: \$210-\$580
Donation: 5% of proceeds
① 3808-6019



THOMAS SABO

Shop Charms in Pink (2 styles)
Promotion Period: 17 Sep-31 Oct
Donation: Part of the proceeds
① 3996-8711



Ice-Watch

Upon purchase of two regular-priced watches, customers will get a designated pink watch for free.
Donation: Part of the proceeds
① 2483-0116



Sense of Touch

Reveal Your Radiance Facial Treatment
Price: \$450-\$1,580
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① 2483-0406



Venture Photography

Experience Package
Price: \$100
Donation: All proceeds
Venture will donate an extra 10% of proceeds for any sale on prints of photographs purchased.
① 2323-1222



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(From left) 1L Quick Boiling Electric Kettle / Food Jar Bag / 0.5L Vacuum Food Jar / 0.5L Stainless Steel Portable Pot / 0.5L Stainless Steel Vacuum Mug / Prices: \$798 / \$36 / \$188 / \$198
Promotion Period: Sep-Dec 2015
Donation: Part of the proceeds
① 2543-4296

Conrad Macao, Cotai Central

Donation: Part of the proceeds
① 4000-3882-0008

Purchase a Conrad Macao Limited-edition signature pink bear and duck from the Conrad Gift Shop, or enjoy Conrad Macao's Pink Afternoon Tea, part of the proceeds will go towards Cancer Fund Pink Revolution. Also, book a pink room package, for a chance to win a magnificent prize.



PizzaExpress

All Desserts
Donation: 5% per dessert sold
① 2216-0001



PANDORA

ESSENCE "Kang" Silver Charm
Price: \$395
Promotion Period: 7 Sep-31 Oct 2015
Donation: 10% of proceeds
① 2113-4898



MADIA

18K / 750 Red Gold Diamond / Color Stone Earrings
Price: Around \$12,000
Promotion Period: From now until 31 Oct 2015
Donation: Part of the proceeds
① 2371-2366

ARTÉ Madrid

Dolce Pendant and Earrings Set / Fructifère Pendant
Promotion price: \$2,870 / \$2,520
(Original price: \$3,300 / \$3,800)
Donation: 10% of proceeds
① 1502-2088



Just Gold Just Diamond

Starlight Pendant
Price: \$1,580
Promotion Period: From now to 31 Oct
Donation: 10% of proceeds
① 2213-8899



DOMA Lifestyle

All Pink Items including speakers, headphones and more.
Donation: 10% of proceeds
① 2110-0766



ECCO

3-Step Shoe Care Kit
Price: \$299
Donation: \$40 per kit sold
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Le Marron

Rouge and Black Sugar Afternoon Tea Set
Price: \$498
Promotion Period: From now until 31 Mar 2016
Donation: 5% of proceeds
① 2381-6662



Hard Rock Cafe Hong Kong

Pink Ribbon Bracelet / Banana-Berry Smoothie / Wildberry Smoothie
Price: \$20 / \$95 / \$45
Donation: [Bracelet] All proceeds / [Drink] 10% of proceeds
Promotion Period: 1 Sep-31 Oct 2015
Dress in pink on 23 October, customers will get a free Pink Mocktail, Hard Rock Cafe will donate 10% of the bill amount.
① 2111-3777

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① 2714-3496



Hellolulu

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Any designated pink items
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① 2118-1892

ECCO

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Donation: \$40 per kit sold
① 2151-7973



Tin Yip Jewellery

Pearl & Cord Knit Bracelet / Pearl with Peridot Bracelet
Price: \$150
Promotion Period: 14 Sep 2015-31 Aug 2016
Donation: 10% of proceeds
① 2733-1222



CULTURE

UPCLOSE: OLIVIER LAVIELLE

French photographer Olivier Lavielle specializes in black and white and desaturated images of planes and cars from the 1930s, shot against the background of the American desert. With his work newly featured at print studio YellowKorner, he tells Adrienne Chum about his love for all things old.



HK: Why shoot in black and white or desaturated colors?

OL: Photography links people from different cultures and times. I like black and white and pale colors because I want to keep them in their time: When these aircraft were in use there was no color photography. Their place is in history, not in the modern era, so I wanted to distinguish this. Between the early 30s and the 70s, we made stuff to be immortal. Today when you make something, you can only use it for a few years before it breaks—just tools we use before we throw them away. But these aircraft, if you had one you could give it to your son, who could give it to his son, and keep it forever. Those planes still fly.

HK: What about cars?

OL: It's linked with aviation. Not all pilots can own their own planes, but all the pilots are passionate about mechanics. If you want to bring the mechanics home, you have no choice but to get a car. I love old cars and I love to spend hours fixing the engine, taking care of it. I know that I can keep my car forever, and it's not something you can say about the iPhone.

HK: You love World War II planes—what about tanks?

OL: No. It's a weapon. For example, the B17 was the grandfather of the 747, and from this plane we changed the world. It's not really a weapon, it's a part of humanity. Sure, its first purpose was for war, but at the end of the war it changed the world. I've tried to find the purpose of a tank, and really it's just killing people. It doesn't bring people together.

Check out Lavielle's photos or buy a print at YellowKorner, 3/F, IFC Mall, 8 Finance St., Central, 2578-5888, yellowkorner.com.

HK Magazine: What got you into planes?

Olivier Lavielle: I used to work in aviation. It's my passion, actually: When I was studying at university I had a great summer job with Air France and when I finished school at 22, I started as a flight attendant. I started to fly for my own pleasure and became a private pilot. I have been flying planes since I was 25.

HK: Why the old stuff?

OL: There is more character in them: their design and their mechanics. Modern jets don't have it. On modern planes, you just push one lever and it flies. Everybody can fly modern jets. But an old one, you have to communicate with it, listen to it, feel it. So you have to be a great pilot, you have to know the mechanics. When you enter an old plane, you feel it is

something very special. You smell the oil, there is no electrical motor. And it becomes less a machine and more the partner of your flight. Aircraft today all look the same, but old planes don't, and they don't fly the same—they're much more like a person.

HK: Do you ever shoot modern planes?

OL: I only do older planes. Take the [Boeing] B17: Today, engineers make planes, but during this time in human history, it wasn't just the engineers. For example, the B17 protected Europe and bombed the Nazis. Each B17 has a sentimental journey—it's not really a plane, it's a hero itself. Modern planes don't have this background of history, so there is no interest for me. The photographs are not just photos, they are a tribute to those who flew these aircraft.

Classical



The Joy of Music Festival

World class performers will fill your nights with music at the Joy of Music Festival this year: Award-winning pianists Federico Colli, Giuseppe Andaloro, Ilya Rashkovskiy, Jinsang Lee, and internationally acclaimed guitarist Álvaro Pierri and friends will be giving recitals, while the Logos Chamber Group will be performing with the pianists. Check out a morning talk on music production by Andrew Walter (Oct 17), a mastering engineer at Abbey Road Studios, or a seminar by film score composer Henry Lai (Oct 18). Oct 12-18, 7:30pm; Oct 17-18, 10:30am. Concert Hall, City Hall, 5 Edinburgh Place, Central. \$20-250 from www.urbitix.hk. More information at www.chopinsocietyhk.org.

Singapore Chinese Orchestra

The Singapore Chinese Orchestra makes their debut appearance in Hong Kong with a traditional work transcribed for Chinese orchestra, along with a Tan Dun work, a symphonic poem by Liu Yuan with lyrics by Wang Yiyuan and more. They'll also be playing with tenor Warren Mok, soprano Wu Bixia, and huqin soloist Li Baoshun. Lah. Oct 18, 8pm. Concert Hall, Cultural Centre, 10 Salisbury Rd., Tsim Sha Tsui. \$200-450 from www.urbitix.hk.

The Great Ladies of Song

Award-winning singers Patti Austin, Janis Siegel and Elisa Chan Kit-ling are getting together as a trio for two nights of hot hot scat, if you know what we mean. Oct 19-20, 8:15pm. Academic Community Hall, Hong Kong Baptist University, 224 Waterloo Rd., Kowloon Tong, 3411-5182. \$380-880 from www.cityline.com.



Penderecki & Shostakovich

Modern composer great Krzysztof Penderecki comes to Hong Kong as HKU Music's resident guest composer this year. As part of the World Cultures Festival 2015, he'll be conducting the Hong Kong Sinfonietta in a program that includes Shostakovich's ("Shostie" to his friends) 15th Symphony and his own Violin Concerto No. 2, "Metamorphosis" with James Cuddeford on the violin. Oct 24, 8pm. Concert Hall, City Hall, 5 Edinburgh Place, Central. \$140-320 from www.urbitix.hk.



Ruan Lingyu's "The Goddess": A Silent Film Concert

"The Goddess," a silent film by actress Ruan Lingyu, screens in Tsuen Wan with a live accompaniment from the Singapore Chinese Orchestra. It's all about a mother who prostitutes herself to provide for her son and pay for his education, but the family is ostracized from society. They're preparing to flee for a chance at a new life, when things go really wrong... Oct 17, 8pm. Tsuen Wan Town Hall Auditorium, 72 Tai Ho Rd., Tsuen Wan. \$160-360 from www.urbitix.hk.

Theater



Dadan 2015

Thanks to the World Cultures Festival, Japanese drumming group Kodo is here to beat out some crazy polyrhythms. Meaning "men drumming" in Japanese, "Dadan" explores the pure physicality of the art of Taiko drumming. Yes, that means you'll be admiring topless sweaty young men making good use of their well-toned arms. To drum! To drum! Oct 30-31, 8pm. Auditorium, Sha Tin Town Hall, 1 Yuen Wo Rd., Sha Tin. \$130-400 from www.urbitix.hk.

Fish in the Hand

Part of the Boundless Multimedia Series, "Fish in the Hand" combines Cantonese opera, drama, dance and contemporary chamber music to present the fear and humiliation of William the veterinarian. It's a performance straight from the deepest, darkest part of his mind, the part he keeps hidden away. Creepy! In Cantonese with English subtitles. Oct 9-10, 8pm; Oct 11, 2pm. Theatre, City Hall, 5 Edinburgh Place, Central. \$180-240 from www.urbitix.hk.

The Human Voice

Going through a breakup? This might help: Lara Fabregas, founder of Ellipsis Theatre, is performing Jean Cocteau's "The Human Voice" as her maiden production. It's a monologue in which woman talks on the phone with her ex-lover, who's getting married in the morning. A portion of ticket sales will go to the Hong Kong Adventist Hospital Foundation. Oct 15, 8pm. Fringe Club, 2 Lower Albert Rd., Central, 2521-7251. \$250 from ticketflap.com.

Circle Mirror Transformation

The HK Repertory Theatre premieres this award-winning American comedy in Hong Kong as part of the World Cultures Festival. It's all about a drama teacher running a course for a handful of students. As the course continues, the lines between stage and reality begin to blur. It's like they're living a TVB drama... In Cantonese with Chinese and English subtitles. Nov 14-15, 17-22, 7:45pm; Nov 15, 21-22, 2:45pm. Theatre, City Hall, 5 Edinburgh Place, Central. \$160-300 from www.urbitix.hk.

Dance

Ablaze!

Hailing from Seoul, Jinjo Crew is the first b-boy team to win five major international competitions. "Ablaze!" brings the street to the stage, and Jinjo is six-stepping over to Hong Kong for the World Cultures Festival to show off their moves. Nov 6-7, 8pm. Ko Shan Theatre New Wing, Ko Shan Theatre, 77 Ko Shan Rd., Hung Hom, 2740-9222. \$130-280 from www.urbitix.hk.



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Exhibitions



Silent Shouts

This exhibition explores the uneasiness of contemporary life through the works of Almond Chu, Nick Gleitzman and Denis Darzacq. Chu's "Parade" series examines the mindless, selfless, trendy directions that Hongkongers take, throwing away any sense of individuality. Darzacq's "La Chute" looks at the bold, active youth of today. Gleitzman's "Remenant" explores the layers of stories hidden in the walls of the SAR, a reminder of our perpetually changing city. Through Oct 14. La Galerie, G/F, 74 Hollywood Rd., Central, 2540-4777.



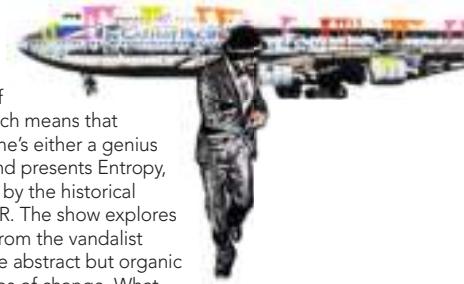
Jumbo Kingdom

Aussie painter and curator Jasper Knight has returned to the SAR with Jumbo Kingdom, his second solo show in Hong Kong. Named after the floating restaurant in Aberdeen, it's a series of bright, drippy paintings of Hong Kong's waterside life depicted using bold, Mondrian-esque colors. Through Oct 10. The Cat Street Gallery, 222 Hollywood Rd., Sheung Wan, 2291-0006.



Entropy

British artist Nick Walker is known as the mentor of the notorious Banksy, which means that depending on your view he's either a genius or a liability. Above Second presents Entropy, a solo exhibition inspired by the historical and gritty sides of the SAR. The show explores Walker's changing style, from the vandalist stencil aesthetic to a more abstract but organic style that reflects the chaos of change. What if Banksy shows up and tags the show? Would the pupil have become the master? Through Oct 24. Above Second, 9 First St., Sai Ying Pun, 3483-7950.



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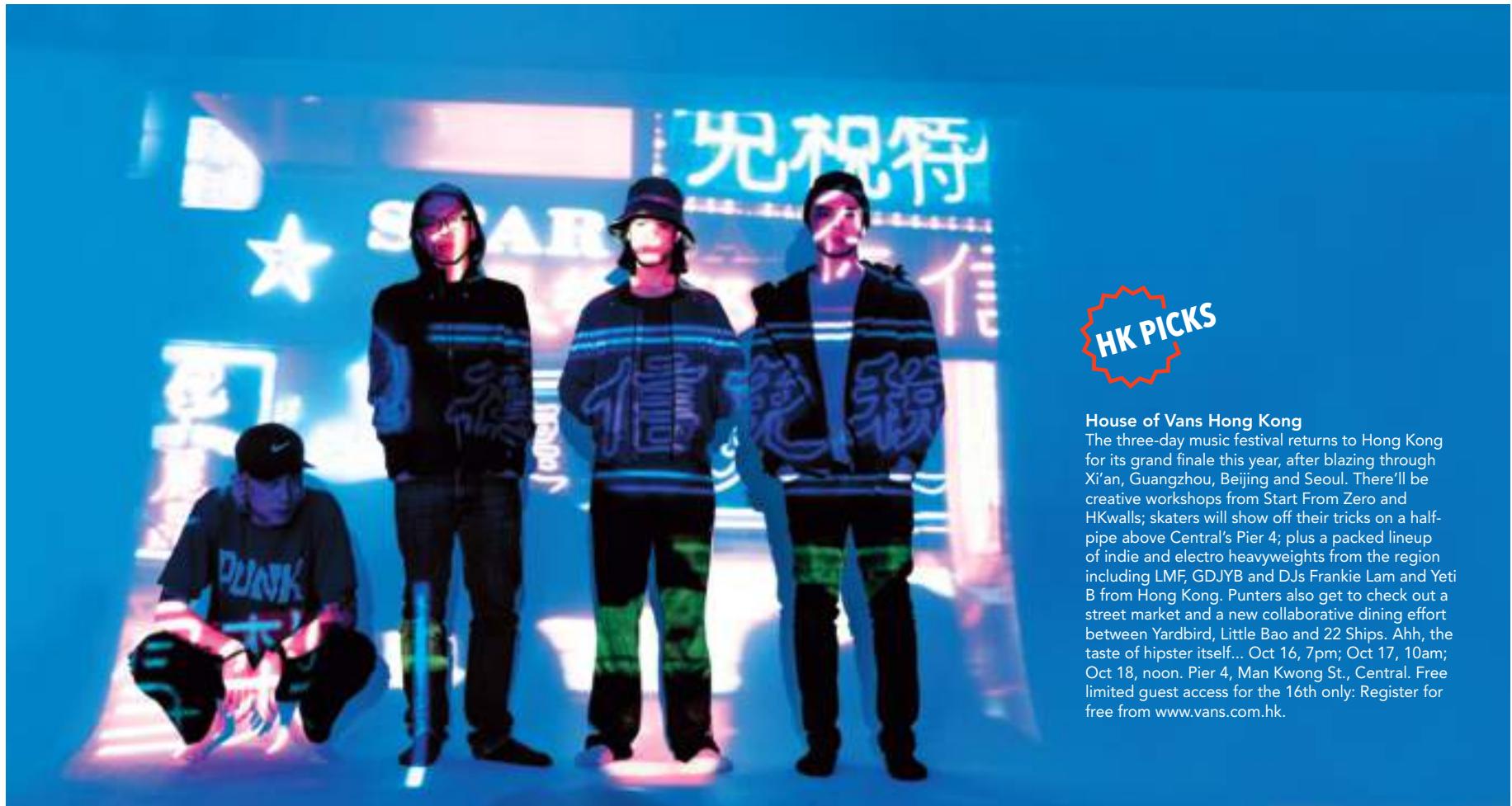
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Music Festivals

Clockenflap 2015

The SAR's biggest festival is back. The preliminary lineup is stronger than ever, featuring big names New Order, The Libertines and Damien Rice, while fans of more twizzy beats can nod to Flying Lotus, Ratatat and Mr Scruff. There's a touch of soul via the Earth Wind & Fire Experience, singer-songwriters Crowd Lu and Rachael Yamagata and French covers duo Nouvelle Vague. Disco-funk legends Chic and Nile Rodgers are also back for a return gig. Tickets are now on sale (from \$1,450 for a three-day pass), but you'll have to contain your excitement for another two months... Nov 27-29, West Kowloon Cultural District, West Kowloon. \$680-1,940 from www.clockenflap.com.



Secret Island Party

The Secret Island Party is back: In case it isn't obvious enough, the weekend music festival takes place at a secret location on an unknown island. Expect an awesome DJ lineup, camping, interactive art, theater and dance performances, and apparently, fire of some sort. The theme this year? "Folklore, Fables and Fairytales"—so dress in your fanciful best and get ready to do some moonlit frolicking on the beach. Oct 16-18, 12pm. \$750 early bird tickets for all three days from pelago.co/sip.

Gigs

Songs For Children Presents Jaakkko Eino Kalevi

Is it the hairography or the hazy tuneage from Finnish electro musician Jaakkko Eino Kalevi that makes his music so effortlessly chill? Maybe it's because he used to be a tram driver. That's got to chill you out, right?

Oct 13, 9pm.
Social Room, 3/F,
Won Hing Building,
74-78 Stanley St.,
Central. \$195-225
from tiny.cc/hk-jakko.



Alice Nine: Re:birth—Tenshou

Visual Rock five-piece gods Alice Nine celebrated their 10th anniversary last year, and they're returning to Hong Kong for the second time after their sold-out anniversary tour. The secret to their success? Must be that perfectly spiked hair... Doors open 5:30pm. Oct 18, 6pm. Musiczone, KITEC, 1 Trademart Drive, Kowloon Bay. \$520 from www.hkticketing.com, \$580 at the door.

DJ Gigs

Ozone Presents: Hed Kandi

Hed Kandi DJ Eibhlin (aka the trendier/Irish spelling of "Evelyn") and percussionist Kami C lay down some classic house beats at Ozone. Oct 10, 10pm. Ozone, 118/F, The Ritz-Carlton, 1 Austin Rd. West, West Kowloon, 2263-2263. \$200 from www.hkclubbing.com; \$250 at the door. Both include one Belvedere drink.



Lil Jon

Lil Jon is ready to Turn Up at Levels. What, were you hoping for a quiet Tuesday night in? Oct 20, 11pm. Levels, 2/F, On Hing Building, 1 On Hing Terrace, Central, 2811-1568.

Nightlife Events



Beertopia

The boozy craft beer fest returns—bigger and better than before and the grand slam end to this year's Hong Kong Beer Week. It's hosted in Central this time around, so Islanders can quit yer whining for once. There'll be more than 500 featured beers from 23 different countries, plus 33 Hong Kong brews. An ample selection of ciders, porters and stouts will also be available. Apart from all the beer, expect standard booze fest food vendors, live music, beer games and even a family-friendly market. Oct 9-10. Central Harbourfront Event Space, 9 Lung Wo Rd., Central. Early bird tickets start from \$330-550 from www.beerweek.hk.

Pink Gatsby at Zuma

Thinking of dressing up as a flapper this Halloween? You'll get at least two uses out of that dress: Just before the Halloween rush Zuma brings back the hedonism of the 20s with a Gatsby-inspired costume party, with beats provided by DJ Gruv and a live saxophone performance. There'll be special packages of Minuit Rosé wine starting from \$400, food platters and a special menu available until 11pm. Oct 10, 7pm. Zuma, 5-6/F, The Landmark, 15 Queen's Rd. Central, 3657-6388.

Halloween Parties



The Ghosts of Wan Chai

Get spooked at this Halloween bash at The Pawn. Rumor has it "the ghostess of Wan Chai" will be making an appearance in its halls... or is that just a reference to all the gweilos? Price includes canapés, Halloween makeup and participation in a lucky draw. Oct 30, 5pm. The Pawn, 62 Johnston Rd., Wan Chai, 2866-3444. \$288-488 from www.eventbrite.com; table packages start from \$3,888.

Fly Presents: Candyland Terror

Bring your sweet tooth to Fly come All Hallow's Eve for a night of blood-themed candy, shots and "endless liquor." And by endless liquor they mean two shots and two drinks. Oct 31, 10pm. Fly, G/F, 24-30 Ice House St., Central, 2810-9902. \$300 at the door.

Turtle in the Hat Halloween

This event touts itself as Hong Kong's most ridiculous Halloween party—presumably because you'll be ruining all that fake blood by downing Butcher's Club noms left and right. There'll be a Dracula vs Frankenstein boxing match, live reggae courtesy of The Red Stripes and two hours of free-flow everything, including a spit roast on the roof all night. Oct 31, 8:30pm. Butchers Club Deli, 16/F, Shui Ki Industrial Building, 18 Wong Chuk Hang Rd., Aberdeen, 2884-0768. \$900-1,000 from www.ticketflap.com.



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Happy Valley Oktoberfest

Head on over to Happy Valley's weekly races this month for live traditional German tunes, lots of beer quaffing and a whole host of Oktoberfest games: Play "Hold the Beer" (i.e., how many pints can you hold in your hands?) or sign up for a speed-drinking contest for a chance to win awesome cash prizes. Oct 14, 22, 7pm. Happy Valley Racecourse, Happy Valley. \$10 at the door for access to public enclosure.



Nightmare on Beatship

Beatship's pool parties are still going strong after the summer and bringing in the ultimate Halloween experience: a night spent on a spooky ghost ship (well, the Superstar Virgo). There'll be Lab Made ice cream and Halloween drinks served onboard all night, as well as costumes for sale for the lazy. A corner will also be set up for those who want to try cruising on a "Flying Nimbuz" skateboard (aka hands-free Segway), and the best dressed winner will also get to take one home (!!!). Check-in from 6pm; sails at 9pm. Boarding at Ocean Terminal, Harbour City, 7-27 Canton Rd., Tsim Sha Tsui. Oct 31, 6pm. \$580 standing tickets from www.beatshiphk.com; \$1,500-2,000 for cabins for two before Oct 18; \$1,800-2,500 thereafter. Includes dinner, late-night meals and breakfast.

The Haunted Room

The Mira's Room One gears up for the return of its Halloween party, complete with a five-hour open bar and Halloween themed shots. There'll be sexy zombie dancers moving to tunes by Cliché Records' resident DJs. Sexy zombie dancers! First they'll blow your mind... then they'll eat them. Oct 31, 9pm. Room One, G/F, The Mira Hong Kong, 118 Nathan Rd., Tsim Sha Tsui, 2315-5888. \$358 from tiny.cc/hk-thehauntedroom2015; \$398 at the door. Tables available from \$1,888.

Alive Not Dead Halloween

The Alive Not Dead crew returns once again with the city's sexiest Halloween bash, featuring a lineup of international and local DJs. Costumes mandatory. Oct 31, 10pm. Armani/Privé, 2/F, Chater House, 8 Connaught Rd. Central, Central, 3583-2828. \$600 from www.alivenotdead.com/halloween, \$800 at the door before 1am; both include two drinks. \$400 after 1am with one drink.

Disco Drag Queen at Mrs. Pound

Celebrating its one-year anniversary on top of a Halloween bash, Mrs. Pound is holding a fabulous drag do complete with a drag make-up workshop, performance and queen costume contest. Tickets include two drinks and ice luge shots. You'll have to supply your own fabulous. Oct 31, 9:30pm. Mrs. Pound, 6 Pound Lane, Sheung Wan, 3426-3949. \$360-400 from www.ticketflap.com.



Zuma Presents: Zombie Prom

This Halloween, Zuma is going old school—the lounge will play host to a terror-filled prom night, where a zombie prom king and queen will be crowned. Come in your best zombie gear and a makeup artist will be on site to make you look EXTRA undead. DJ Mistrezz C and Seth Gutierrez will provide the beats. We're gonna request "Monster Mash." Oct 31, 10pm. Zuma, 5-6/F, The Landmark, 15 Queen's Rd. Central, 3657-6388. \$500 from next.fatsoma.com; \$650 at the door, both include two drinks. \$350 at the door after 2am with one drink.

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The Martian ★★★

(USA) Sci-fi. Directed by Ridley Scott. Starring Matt Damon, Jessica Chastain, Kate Mara, Michael Peña, Chiwetel Ejiofor, Sean Bean, Donald Glover. 141 minutes. Category IIA. Opened Oct 1.

You might think that Hollywood's whole "lone spaceman" schtick would start to get a little old, especially for the third year in a row. But "The Martian" proves yet again that intense space exploration drama is a surefire way to success: Opening weekend ticket sales were double those of "Avatar" (and Hongkongers LOVED "Avatar"), hitting just over HK\$5.7 million. The reason? "The Martian" is that most unusual of genres: A lighthearted survival movie.

It's yet another tale of a stranded astronaut's desperate journey back home: 2013's "Gravity" gave us Sandra Bullock's terrifying trip back to Earth by navigating through space debris; last year's "Interstellar" gave us Matthew McConaughey warping through space and time to get back to his family; this year, "The Martian" gives us Mark Watney (Damon), who's part of an expedition to Mars.

But when a dust storm sends the mission awry, he's left for dead by his crew. Injured, Mark is left on the red planet to fend for himself, using his extensive knowledge of physics and botany to survive and hopefully, get himself home.

These kinds of films are all about crippling loneliness and survival against overwhelming odds, and compared to its darker predecessors, "The Martian" downplays it. Perhaps it's Damon's perpetually composed, good-natured mug, or the bouncy 70s disco constantly blaring in the background (it's the only music the crew left behind on Mars), or the character's sense of humor even as he assesses his slim chances of survival. With Mark grounded on a big ol' red desert the whole time, the vast loneliness of space suddenly doesn't seem that intimidating: There's no wormhole to navigate or infinite darkness to comprehend—barely, anyway.

Damon wears his character with such a resigned good humor that it's hard to remember he's supposed to be



panicking. Only towards the end does his inner desperation hit home as he steps out on his final journey, tired and emaciated.

The story may tackle a few tight spots, from Mark having to deal with diminishing rations to uncertain shelter to his attempt to contact NASA, but it's still handled in a relatively lighthearted manner, and it's certainly a lot of fun to watch. He sums it up neatly when making an entry into the crew log: "I'm going to science the shit out of this." Like some kind of space MacGyver, Mark proves that a lot of problems can be solved with a roll of duct tape and a lot of patience.

That said, the science in "The Martian" gets a heavy dose of dumbing down to make it accessible. Case in point: When

NASA astronomer Rich Purnell (Donald Glover) demonstrates his rescue plan using two pens and a roleplay. The signposting is a little on-the-nose as well, and it's all too evident when it's time for something to go wrong again. Luckily, this doesn't stop us from rooting for the genuinely likeable protagonists.

Those who love Ridley Scott's signature space horror will only get a tiny taste of it in Mark's slightly gory introduction. Instead, this movie is a warm reminder of human ingenuity, set in a place as desolate—yet as potentially within reach—as Mars. "The Martian" is a space movie that somehow feels very close to Earth. **Evelyn Lok**

Coming Soon

Crimson Peak

(USA) Guillermo del Toro ("Pan's Labyrinth") returns to his dark fantasy schtick with this romantic horror story set in 19th-century Cumbria. A young woman (Mia Wasikowska) falls for a nobleman (Tom Hiddleston) and is swept away to his ancient mansion, only to find the house harbors secrets clawing for release... obviously. Opens Oct 15.

Our Little Sister

(Japan) Japan's most anticipated film of the year is about three adult sisters who live in the old seaside town of Kamakura, joined by their 14-year-old half-sister after their father passes away. It's a gentle drama about the love, pain and laughter as the sisters spend the changing seasons together. Sounds like a kaiseki feast for the eyes. Opens Oct 15. ▼



Sicario

(USA) In the boy's world of the FBI, agent Kate Macer (Emily Blunt) is plucked from bleak kidnapping cases to join a special task force fighting the war against drugs on the US-Mexican border. Alongside the morally questionable Matt Graver (Josh Brolin) and the reticent Alejandro (Benicio Del Toro), Kate is thrown into the deep end as they embark on a manhunt for the cartel's top dog. Opens Oct 15.



Southpaw

(USA) Jake Gyllenhaal beefs up as Billy "The Great" Hope, a junior middleweight boxing champ living the life—until a sudden tragedy falls upon him and he hits rock bottom, losing everything he has (literally) fought for. In a dingy town gym, he seeks out unlikely mentor and former fighter Tick Willis (Forest Whitaker) to help him get his life back on track. Opens Oct 15.



Opening

Amy

(UK) Opening the Life is Art Film Festival in September, "Amy" pieces together the definitive story of Amy Winehouse from her rising talent as a teen, through her emotional struggles with fame, controversy and love, all the way to her untimely death four years ago at the age of 27. Opens Oct 8.

I Am Somebody

(China) Set in Zhejiang province's Hengdian, dubbed "The Hollywood of the East" as it's home to the monumental Hengdian World Studios, a group of young extras chase their dreams to become the next big thing. Directed by former Shaw Brothers actor Derek Yee Tung-sing. Opens Oct 8.

Pan

(UK/USA) Joe Wright ("Atonement," 2012's "Anna Karenina") takes on this retelling of the beloved story of the boy who never grew up. Peter is a 12-year-old who escapes a London orphanage and finds himself in the magical world of Neverland. Look out for Hugh Jackman as Blackbeard and Rooney Mara as the, um, Indian princess Tiger Lily. Opens Oct 8.

Saving Mr. Wu

(China/Hong Kong) Police are on a high profile case when Chinese celebrity Mr. Wu (Andy Lau) is kidnapped by thugs disguised as the police. It's based on the real-life kidnapping of Wu Ruofu, who also stars. Could it be? A Chinese meta-meta-crime thriller? Opens Oct 8.

The Walk

(USA) Moving on from 2008's gripping documentary "Man on Wire," Robert Zemeckis ("Back to the Future") brings Philippe Petit's 1974 daring tightrope dance across the Twin Towers to the screen, in full IMAX glory. Joseph Gordon-Levitt plays Petit, because of course he would. Opens Oct 8.

We Are Your Friends

(USA) Zac Efron is Cole, a 20-something at the crossroads in his life, struggling with his dreams of becoming a universally recognized DJ. A douchey Zefron character with a hint of (b)romance—so what else is new? Opened Oct 8.

Continuing

Dark Places

(USA) After the success of last year's "Gone Girl," Gillian Flynn's second novel gets its screen time this year. Charlize Theron is Libby Day, a woman who confronts the traumatic memories of seeing her family murdered as she visits her brother, who was incarcerated for the crime—and who may turn out to be innocent.

Everest

(UK) Based on a true story where eight climbers of two expeditions were caught in a blizzard during their attempts to reach the summit, "Everest" sees two star-studded entourages attempt the same: one led by Jake Gyllenhaal as Scott Fischer, and another by Jason Clarke playing Rob Hall.

Hong Kong Trilogy: Preschooled, Preoccupied, Preposterous

(Hong Kong) Christopher Doyle's latest work is a three-part movie that weaves in the voices of three generations in Hong Kong: "preschooled" schoolkids, unsatisfied "preoccupied" youth and the "preposterous" elderly. It's one of the first features to cast a spotlight on the Occupy movement, filming and interviewing those who were involved as it unfolded last year. ★★★★

Hotel Transylvania 2

(USA) The sugary monster cartoon is back with a sequel. Dracula (Adam Sandler) is worried that his half-human grandson isn't showing enough of his bloodsucking tendencies, and enlists his spooky friends to put the boy through vampire boot camp.



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The Intern
(USA) 70-year-old widower Ben Whittaker (Robert De Niro) rebuffs retirement and decides to intern at an online fashion site, headed by Jules Oshin (Anne Hathaway). Directed by Nancy Meyers ("The Parent Trap"), it's a cheesy feel-good flick of the best kind. ★★★★

Irrational Man
(USA) In Woody Allen's latest bit of neuroticism, Joaquin Phoenix takes the lead as a troubled philosophy professor who believes he's hit rock bottom. While getting involved with a faculty member (Parker Posey) and his best student (Emma Stone), he discovers his true purpose for living—deciding to take morality into his own hands after hearing the misdeeds of a corrupt judge. A humdrum and unconvincing rehash of all the typical Woody Allen stylings. ★★

Love & Mercy
(USA) Paul Dano and John Cusack play the younger and older Brian Wilson, the musical mastermind behind The Beach Boys. It's a tale that divulges the darker side of the band's sunny sounds, cementing Wilson's status as one of the most respected music makers of the century, and is a cathartic, heartfelt story told well. ★★★★

The Martian
(USA) See review, opposite.

Office
(Hong Kong) Johnnie To directs this corporate musical dramedy. Chow Yun-fat is the chairman of a billion-dollar company about to make his mistress and CEO (Sylvia Chang) a major shareholder. It's an entertaining representation (and satire) of corporate culture, if you can look past the distracting swings into Putonghua singing.



The Transporter Refueled

The Transporter Refueled
(France) The fourth in the Luc Besson-penned "Transporter" franchise is here. Jason Statham is replaced by Ed Skrein (who played Daario Naharis in "Game of Thrones") as Frank Martin, a mercenary-turned-messenger who transports parcels for questionable characters. When former prostitute Anna robs a bank and kidnaps Frank's father, Frank is forced to pull all his old mercenary tricks back out of the hat.

Veteran

Veteran
(South Korea) In this cop thriller directed by Ryoo Seung-wan ("The Unjust"), a detective follows a longstanding corruption case targeting the third-generation heir to a major conglomerate—only to have him slip between his fingers each time.

Special Screening

Freespace Happening

With the West Kowloon Harbourfront partially closed for construction in the coming months, the annual Freespace Fest has taken on a smaller scale of events taking place every second Sunday of the month, through March 2016. This October, expect a two-day open air cinema and live music affair. Biopics "Nowhere Boy" and "Marley" about John Lennon and Bob Marley will be screened, while local music makers Eman Lam and Pong Nan, Jing Wong and Hong Kong's own Nowhere Boys will also perform. Insufferable hipsters, the WKCDA hasn't forgotten about you: Look forward to a vintage-themed market and DIY workshops galore. Oct 10-11, 1pm. West Kowloon Cultural District, West Kowloon. Free.

Film Festivals

Hong Kong Lesbian and Gay Film

The longest-running LGBTQI film festival in Asia closes this week with "Freeheld," starring Julianne Moore and Ellen Page as a couple fighting for equal rights in state pension benefits, and "Baby Steps," about Danny and Tate, a gay couple who are trying to have a baby—without the meddling of Danny's Taiwanese mother. Through Oct 10. Various screening locations. Tickets from www.cinema.com.hk and www.amccinemas.com.hk. See the full program at www.hkgff.hk.



"Froehold" at the HKLGFF

The poster features a purple background with a black spiderweb pattern. At the top, there's a banner with the text "Discovery Park x Sweetwalk" in red, "Halloween Mystery" in large black letters, and "Bubble Bouncy Castle" in white. Below the banner are two orange jack-o'-lanterns hanging from the top corners. The main illustration is a large, smiling jack-o'-lantern filled with various cartoon characters like a clown, a girl in a purple dress, a blue dog, and a man in a suit. A QR code is located on the right side of the illustration. Below the illustration, there's a map of the event area showing different sections: "SWEET STREET", "FOOD PAINTING", "BALLOON TWISTING", "MASCOT PARADE", and "DIY WORKSHOP". There are also icons for "PIPER PLATE", "PIPER CANDY", "PIPER GUMBOON", "PIPER BUBBLE BLOWING", and "PIPER BOUNCY CASTLE". At the bottom, there are logos for Discovery Park, Sweetwalk, and various sponsors like Citibank, Standard Chartered, and DBS.

An advertisement for Geronimo! Shot Bar. The top half features the bar's name in large, stylized red letters with a white outline, set against a background of orange and yellow splatters. Below the name is the word "SHOT BAR" in a smaller, bold, black font. Underneath that is the location "LAN KWAI FONG HONG KONG". The bottom left contains the text "HAPPY HOUR UNTIL 9 PM" in a large, brown, textured font. To the right, a red banner with white text reads "TRY THE FAMOUS 15 SHOT CHALLENGE". At the very bottom, there is social media information: a blue Facebook icon, the text "GeronimoShotBarHongKong", the website "www.geronimoshotbar.com.hk", and the phone number "+(852) 2833 9951".

An advertisement for Sally Coco, an intimate lifestyle store. The top half features a woman in lingerie holding a pink whip, surrounded by various sex toys like dildos and handcuffs. A red arrow points from the text 'Discover Online Shopping with our website' towards the store's interior, which is filled with shelves of products and mannequins. The bottom half has a black background with a yellow circle containing the text 'the HIPPIEST SEX SHOP IN TOWN'. To the right, the store's name 'sallycoco' is written in large, lowercase, white serif letters, followed by 'INTIMATE LIFESTYLE STORE' in a smaller, sans-serif font.

FREE WILL ASTROLOGY

ROB BREZSNY

LIBRA (Sep 23-Oct 22): If I could give you a birthday present, it would be a map to your future treasure. Do you know which treasure I'm referring to? Think about it as you fall asleep on the next eight nights. I'm sorry I can't simply provide you with the instructions you'd need to locate it. The cosmic powers tell me you have not yet earned that right. The second-best gift I can offer, then, will be clues about how to earn it. Clue #1. Meditate on the differences between what your ego wants and what your soul needs. #2. Ask yourself, "What is the most unripe part of me?", and then devise a plan to ripen it. #3. Invite your deep mind to give you insights you haven't been brave enough to work with until now. #4. Take one medium-sized bold action every day.



SCORPIO (Oct 23-Nov 21): Galway Kinnell's poem "Middle of the Way" is about his solo trek through the snow on Oregon's Mount Gauldy. As he wanders in the wilderness, he remembers an important truth about himself: "I love the day, the sun... But I know [that] half my life belongs to the wild darkness." According to my reading of the astrological omens, Scorpio, now is a good time for you, too, to refresh your awe and reverence for the wild darkness—and to recall that half your life belongs to it. Doing so will bring you another experience Kinnell describes: "an inexplicable sense of joy, as if some happy news had been transmitted to me directly, by-passing the brain."

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 22-Dec 21): The last time I walked into a McDonald's and ordered a meal was 1984. Nothing that the restaurant chain serves up is appealing to my taste or morality. I do admire its adaptability, however. In cow-loving India, McDonald's only serves vegetarian fare that includes deep-fried cheese and potato patties. In Israel, kosher McFalafels are available. Mexicans order their McMuffins with refried beans and pico de gallo. At a McDonald's in Singapore, you can order McRice burgers. This is the type of approach I advise for you right now, Sagittarius. Adjust your offerings for your audience.

CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 19): You have been flirting with your "alone at the top" reveries. I won't be surprised if one night you have a dream of riding on a Ferris wheel that malfunctions, leaving you stranded at the highest point. What's going on? Here's what I suspect: In one sense you are zesty and farseeing. Your competence and confidence are waxing. At the same time, you may be out of touch with what's going on at ground level. Your connection to the depths is not as intimate as your relationship with the heights. The moral of the story might be to get in closer contact with your roots. Or be more attentive to your support system. Or buy new shoes and underwear.

AQUARIUS (Jan 20-Feb 18): I haven't planted a garden for years. My workload is too intense to devote enough time to that pleasure. So eight weeks ago I was surprised when a renegade sunflower began blooming in the dirt next to my porch. How did the seed get there? Via the wind? A passing bird that dropped a potential meal? The gorgeous interloper eventually grew to a height of four feet and

produced a boisterous yellow flower head. Every day I muttered a prayer of thanks for its guerrilla blessing. I predict a comparable phenomenon for you in the coming days, Aquarius.

PISCES (Feb 19-Mar 20): The coming days will be a favorable time to dig up what has been buried. You can, if you choose, discover hidden agendas, expose deceptions, see beneath the masks, and dissolve delusions. But it's my duty to ask you this: Is that really something you want to do? It would be fun and sexy to liberate so much trapped emotion and suppressed energy, but it could also stir up a mind-bending ruckus that propels you on a healing quest. I hope you decide to go for the gusto, but I'll understand if you prefer to play it safe.

ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 19): If I warned you not to trust anyone, I hope you would reject my simplistic fear-mongering. If I suggested that you trust everyone unconditionally, I hope you would dismiss my delusional naiveté. But it's important to acknowledge that the smart approach is far more difficult than those two extremes. You've got to evaluate each person and even each situation on a case-by-case basis. There may be unpredictable folks who are trustworthy some of the time, but not always. Can you be both affably open-hearted and slyly discerning? It's especially important that you do so in the next 16 days.

TAURUS (Apr 20-May 20): As I meditated on your astrological aspects, I had an intuition that I should go to a gem fair I'd heard about. It was at an event center near my home. When I arrived, I was dazzled to find a vast spread of minerals, fossils, gemstones, and beads. Within a few minutes, two stones had commanded my attention, as if they'd reached out to me telepathically: chrysoprase, a green gemstone, and petrified wood, a mineralized fossil streaked with earth tones. The explanatory note next to the chrysoprase said that if you keep this gem close to you, it "helps make conscious what has been unconscious." Ownership of the petrified wood was described as conferring "the power to remove obstacles." I knew these were the exact oracles you needed. I bought both stones, took them home, and put them on an altar dedicated to your success in the coming weeks.

GEMINI (May 21-Jun 20): George R. R. Martin has written a series of fantasy novels collectively called "A Song of Ice and Fire." They have sold

60 million copies and been adapted for the TV series "Game of Thrones." Martin says the inspiration for his master work originated with the pet turtles he owned as a kid. The creatures lived in a toy castle in his bedroom, and he pretended they were knights and kings and other royal characters. "I made up stories about how they killed each other and betrayed each other and fought for the kingdom," he has testified. I think the next seven months will be a perfect time for you to make a comparable leap, Gemini. What's your version of Martin's turtles? And what valuable asset can you turn it into?

CANCER (Jun 21-Jul 22): The editors of the Urban Dictionary provide a unique definition of the word "outside." They say it's a vast, uncomfortable place that surrounds your home. It has no ceiling or walls or carpets, and contains annoying insects and random loud noises. There's a big yellow ball in the sky that's always moving around and changing the temperature in inconvenient ways. Even worse, the "outside" is filled with strange people that are constantly doing deranged and confusing things. Does this description match your current sense of what "outside" means, Cancerian? If so, that's OK. For now, enjoy the hell out of being inside.

LEO (Jul 23-Aug 22): We all go through phases when we are tempted to believe in the factuality of every hostile, judgmental, and random thought that our monkey mind generates. I am not predicting that this is such a time for you. But I do want to ask you to be extra skeptical toward your monkey mind's fabrications. Right now it's especially important that you think as coolly and objectively as possible. You can't afford to be duped by anyone's crazy talk, including your own. Be extra vigilant in your quest for the raw truth.

VIRGO (Aug 23-Sep 22): Do you know about the ancient Greek general Pyrrhus? At the Battle of Asculum in 279 BCE, his army technically defeated Roman forces, but his casualties were so substantial that he ultimately lost the war. You can and you must avoid a comparable scenario. Fighting for your cause is good only if it doesn't wreak turmoil and bewilderment. If you want to avoid an outcome in which both sides lose, you've got to engineer a result in which both sides win. Be a cagey compromiser.

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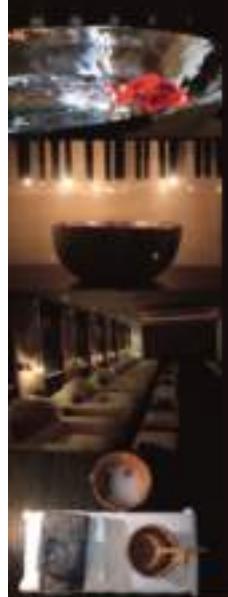
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I'm a gay man who is ready to start cheating on my boyfriend. We've had a wonderful 3.5-year-long relationship full of respect, affection, support and fun. I love everything about our relationship, and our sex life was great... until he moved in eight months into the relationship. At that point, he lost all interest. I've tried everything: asking what I can do differently, being more aggressive, being more passive, suggesting couples therapy, getting angry, crying, and breaking up twice. (Both breakups lasted only a few hours because I honestly don't want to leave him.) When I bring up an open relationship, he just goes quiet. I've moved past most of the anger, frustration, hurt, embarrassment, and sadness. But I won't accept a life of celibacy. I would like to get some discreet play on the side. My boyfriend is very perceptive, and I'm a bad liar. I don't want to get caught—but how should the conversation go if (when) I do? I'm leaning toward something like this: "I'm sorry it came to this and I know we agreed on monogamy, and I gave you monogamy for 3.5 years, but part of agreeing to monogamy is the implicit promise to meet your partner's sexual needs. Everything else about our relationship is wonderful, but we couldn't fix this one thing, so instead of continuing to push the issue, this is what I decided to do." Good enough?

- Can't Help Exploring Another Tush

The speech you're planning to give after you get caught is lovely, CHEAT, but you should give it before you get caught. Tell your boyfriend you love him—you would have to, considering what you've put up with for nearly three years—and that you have no desire to leave him. But while your relationship is wonderful in many ways, it's not sexual in any way. And while you're willing to settle for a companionate relationship, you're not willing to settle for a sexless existence.

Rather than being threatened by your occasional, discreet, and safe sexual adventures, CHEAT, your boyfriend should be grateful for them. Because those sexual adventures, and your boyfriend's acceptance of them, will make it possible for you to stay together. Hopefully he'll see that the men you'll be fucking on the side aren't a threat to your relationship but its salvation.

If your boyfriend can't see that, if he insists that your relationship remain monogamous and sexless (wouldn't that technically mean he's the only person you don't have sex with?), give breaking up another try. The third time might be the charm.

I'm a woman in a hetero marriage. My husband and I enjoy skimming the Craigslist "casual encounters" section. It's like people watching, but NSFW. We recently stumbled on an ad posted by a male friend. The ad was soliciting gay mutual BJ/HJ, with the stipulation that the first one to come (the loser?) gets fucked in the ass by the other (the winner?). Other than the concept of winners and losers during sex, I've got no issues. The thing that gnaws at my conscience is this: Our friend is a young guy, bi-curious, and impulsive. Once I got over the giggles of glimpsing a dick pic that was not intended for my eyes, I began to worry about our friend's risky behavior. Do I say something? I care about this guy, but I don't want to come off as "mommy" or "creepy."

- Dude's Extremely Risky Plan Elevates Stress

My first impulse was to tell you to mind your own business—or MYOB, as the late, great Ann Landers used to say (google her, kids)—because you don't

actually know if your friend is taking foolish risks. He could be using condoms, taking Truvada, and carefully vetting his play partners. But if I spotted a friend's dick on Craigslist in an ad that left me the least bit concerned for his safety, I would say something. I don't mind coming off as "mommy" (meddling mommy impulses are a requirement for this gig), and if looking out for your friends is "creepy," then I'm a creep.

I'd go with something like this: "I spotted your ad—and your cock—on CL. What you're looking for sounds hot. But I hope you're being safe: using condoms, being choosy, taking Truvada. And speaking from experience, getting fucked right after you come sounds sexy in theory, but it's not much fun in reality. So I hope you're taking a refractory-period-length break—maybe for ice cream?—before the loser gets fucked."

I'm a gay man in my late 20s, and I can't get fucked. I have tried to train my ass, but the largest thing I can place inside remains a small butt plug. If I try anything bigger, the pain is unbearable. I've always been a very anxious person, and it's clear my anxiety goes right to that area. Sometimes, after trying to place something larger inside me (using tons of lube, of course), I will get a hemorrhoid. Since those are horrible to deal with, I think my mind has started to associate any type of anal play with getting hemorrhoids. The problem is that I feel like I'm a bottom. Yes, I will top guys, and I don't mind it, but I find that the men to whom I'm most attracted want to fuck me, which is something I would like. I'm at my wit's end because I feel like my relationships/hookups/FWB situations are all negatively affected by my inability to get fucked.

- Determined Efforts Fully Enrage Anal Tissues

"Anxiety and fear can definitely make those muscles tighten up. And unfortunately, worrying about pain during sex makes it worse," said Charlie Glickman, sexuality educator and author of *The Ultimate Guide to Prostate Pleasure* (charlieglickman.com). "His hemorrhoids are probably caused by the anus squeezing really hard and trapping blood in the arteries inside the anus."

So what can you do to alleviate your anxiety, fear, and squeezing? "The first thing for him to do is use a salve on the skin around and inside the anus," said Glickman. "Apply it after washing, and it doesn't take much. It's like putting lip balm on dry lips. Cocoa butter or coconut oil work well. I also like the golden seal and myrrh formula by Country Comfort. Apply it twice a day."

Give those balms some time to work before you start exploring again. And once you start: breathe deeply, take it slow, and play with your cock too. "Arousal helps," said Glickman, "so he should be sure to include cock pleasure before going near his anus. It'll also help if he explores external massage without going inside. That can help his body unwind the tension and let go of the flinch response. There are lots of great external massage moves that can feel amazing on their own or as part of foreplay. Look for the how-to videos on eroticmassage.com."

Enjoying a few dozen—or a few hundred—orgasms with your ass in play but not the focus, i.e., your ass is being stimulated but not penetrated, DEFEAT, and you'll begin to associate anal stimulation with pleasure and victory, not pain and hemorrhoids. Then you can give penetration another go: taking time to warm up, using lots of lube, pivoting to something else if it's too painful.

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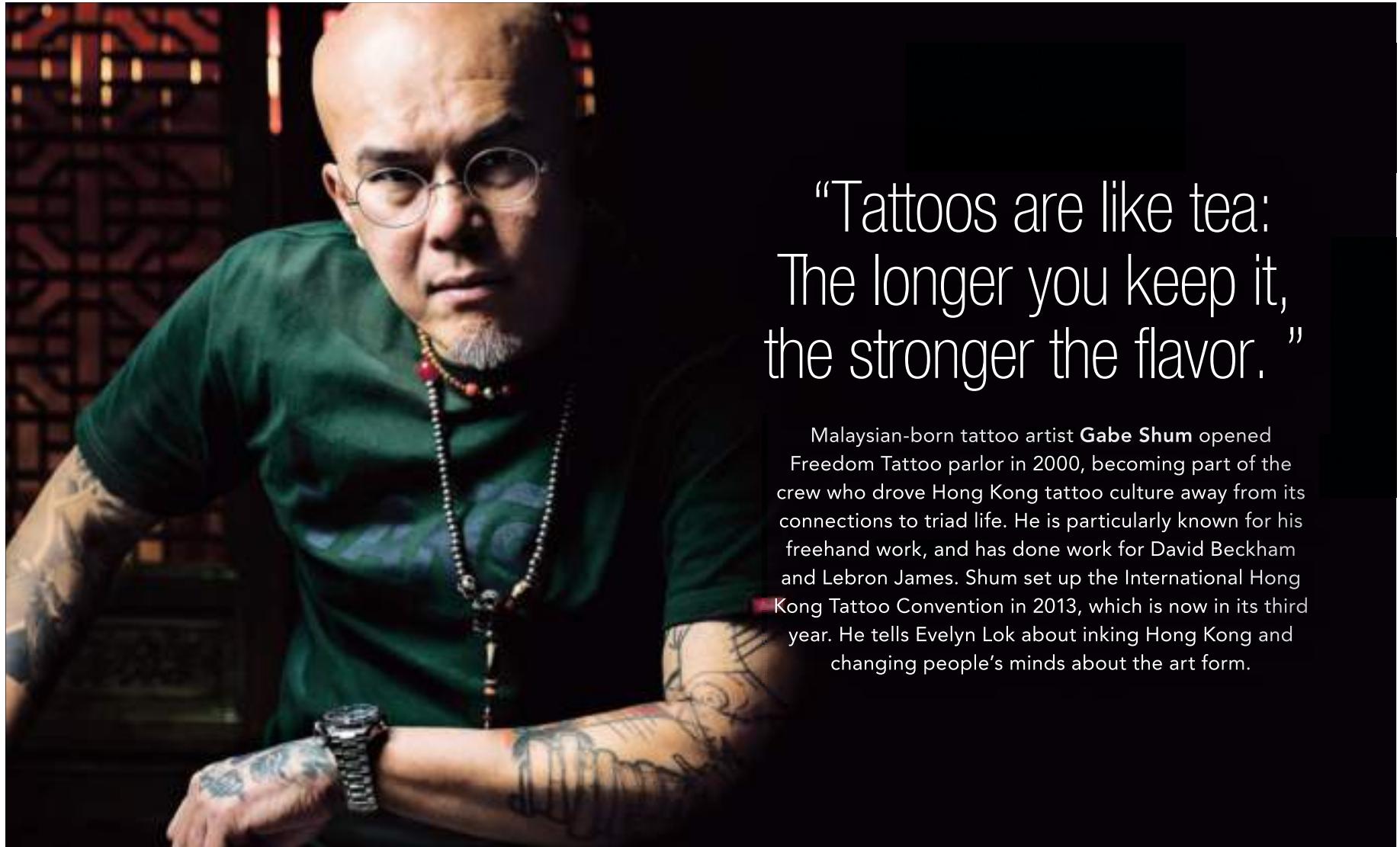
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FIRST PERSON



“Tattoos are like tea:
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Malaysian-born tattoo artist **Gabe Shum** opened Freedom Tattoo parlor in 2000, becoming part of the crew who drove Hong Kong tattoo culture away from its connections to triad life. He is particularly known for his freehand work, and has done work for David Beckham and Lebron James. Shum set up the International Hong Kong Tattoo Convention in 2013, which is now in its third year. He tells Evelyn Lok about inking Hong Kong and changing people's minds about the art form.

I was first exposed to tattoos at 13 or 14. I couldn't sit still as a kid. I'd be happiest if you told me to go motorcycling or horse riding. The only thing that could make me sit still was tattooing.

I would spend a lot of time in tattoo parlors just watching. Hong Kong tattoo legend Jimmy Ho gave me my first one for free because I kept bringing in customers. It's a small dragon on my thigh.

When I came back to Hong Kong in 1998 to open my first place [Acedragon Tattoo], there were only four tattoo parlors in Hong Kong. Mine was the fifth. I'm part of the third generation of tattoo artists here.

Back then, the scene was still very "triad-y." The designs were simple and it was still mostly triad members who got tattoos, so there was that association.

It was because the local artists learned from their sifus, opened their own places, but they'd never been abroad.

We were already thinking of organizing a convention back then, but we were so few, and the styles were so old school.

In the past 10 years, I've been working to correct the idea that tattoos were exclusively to do with triads.

In Europe and America, they had already long lost that connection. There's a real culture and history there.

Nowadays, there are probably more than 100 tattoo parlors in Hong Kong.

There's good and bad: It's inspired a whole new generation of artists, but some just see it as a way to earn money. They just buy a tattoo machine and don't have the

necessary training or knowledge about safety and sanitation.

But tattooing is a profession that requires a lot of responsibility.

My own style leans towards monochrome designs that incorporate more biomechanic, fantastical or "dark side" imagery—but people also like my calligraphy work.

The thing about calligraphy is that a lot of it is about balance—in terms of the character, the placement on the body, and how several words look together. I'm particularly sensitive to that.

I'm about to open a new branch in Beijing. You wouldn't have guessed it, but people are quite open to tattoo culture there.

In Hong Kong, when people want their first tattoo it's usually a tiny one, but over there, once they've made up their mind they get a massive one on their back or on a leg.

In tattooing, while there are plenty of similar designs, you don't want to copy other people's work.

A respectable tattoo artist, one who wants face, should add their own touch.

When you're working with color in tattoos, you have to look at what kind of customer you're working with, too. It's like drawing: You decide on the mode of expression depending on the kind of paper you use.

Asians have yellow-toned, brownish skin. If we get color tattoos, we tend to lose out compared to Caucasians, who can carry them much better. Also, when we tan, the color fades more easily as well.

Black and grey designs tend to be more long lasting. When a tattoo artist controls

the contrast well, they look even better with age. Just like with tea: The longer you keep it, the stronger the flavor.

Some people see tattoos as just a trend: They don't have an eye for the aesthetic, they don't care what the tattoo is.

They think, "If David Beckham has one, then I'll have one too."

But tattoos can hold a lot of meaning. I have a customer who gets a tattoo every time he gets fired. He has a long list of dates on his leg.

Some people have really weird requests. One guy wanted an eagle: I mocked up a few for him, but he found a reference he really loved. It looked incredibly dumb and childish to me but he insisted. We had to find the middle ground.

Drunk people come up a lot. Usually they don't even know what they want. They say, "You decide." If they say that, they're not respecting themselves, or tattoos. I usually turn them away.

As tattooists we have a responsibility to know the meanings behind symbols.

There are two things I'll never tattoo: The Nazi swastika and the rising sun flag of Imperial Japan. It's a form of respect to those who lost their lives.

Hongkongers still aren't very well versed in tattoo culture, but it's starting to get better.

There was a former triad boss, a very polite man who forbade his "brothers" to ever get tattoos. His daughter got one here, and hid it from him for half a year.

When he finally saw it, instead of getting mad he came here to get one too.

His underlings, dozens of them, all ran straight over and said, "Dai lo, what's wrong? You forbade us from getting tattoos for decades!"

He said, "I was wrong. Tattoos can be beautiful. You can all go do it now."

His wife came to see what was going on. He convinced her to get one as well. They were really happy with the result.

I'm incredibly happy when people who didn't accept tattoos change their mind.

Which piece am I most proud of? It's always the piece I'm doing next.

When you look back at a difficult piece, it's not that big a deal anymore. You want to do things that are even more special.



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