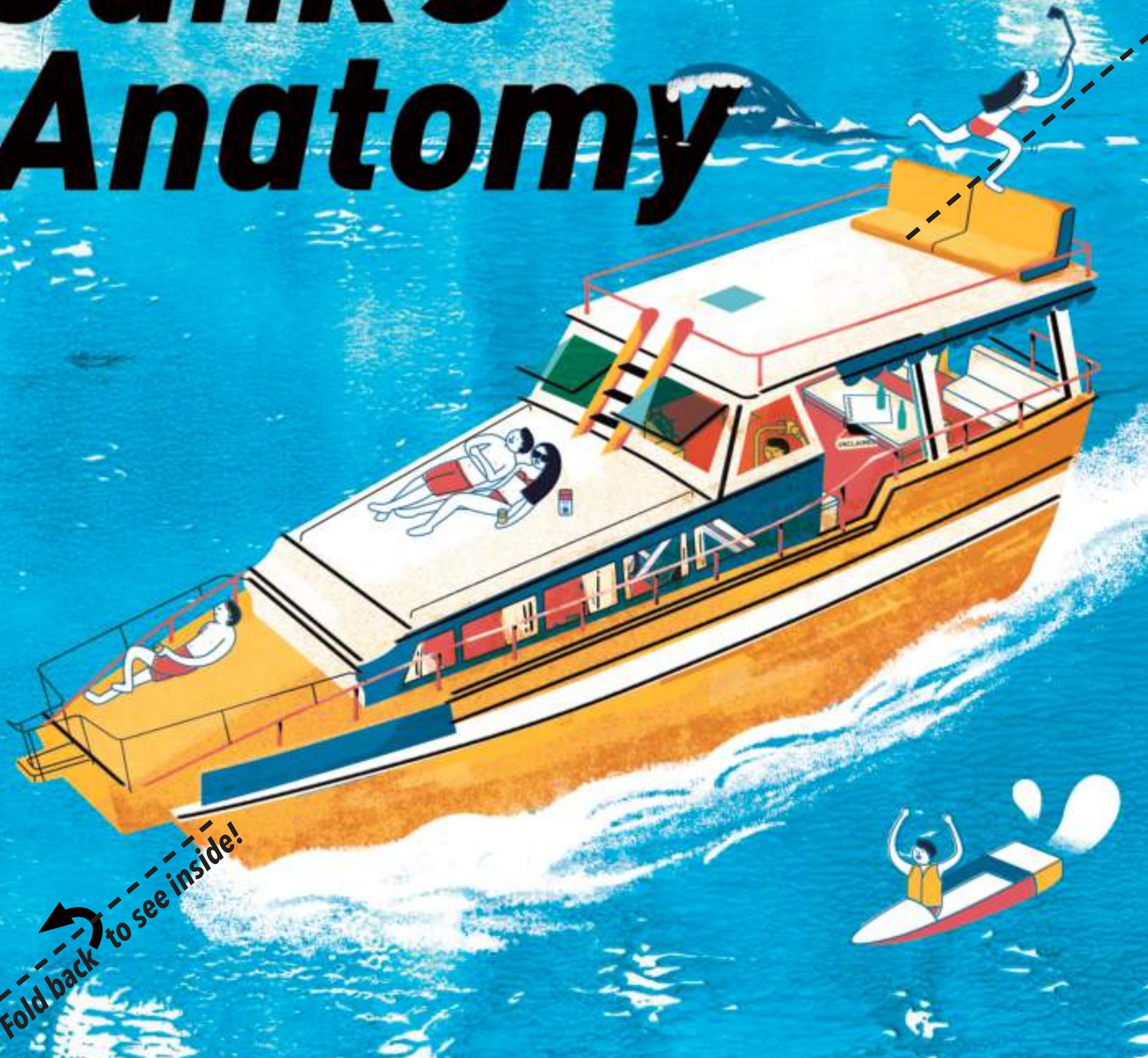


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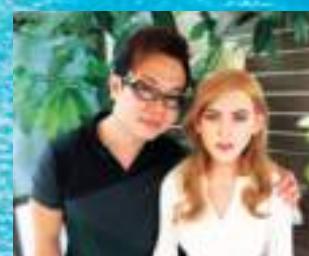
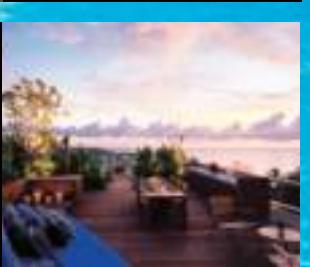
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Mr. Know-It-All's

— Guide to Life —

Dear Mr. Know-It-All,

## So what are my chances of winning the Mark Six? — Six of the Best

Not good.

The Mark Six celebrates its 40th anniversary this year. It was originally introduced in 1976, created in order to target the illegal tse fa lottery (字花, literally "word-flower," in which players had to pick characters instead of numbers). Tse fa had been running for close to a century and was wildly popular—but then the government realized that it could be getting in on the action. And so the Mark Six was born. It was a good idea: Since its inception the Mark Six has raised an almighty \$37 billion for the government.

But as no one needs to tell you, the government winning big isn't the same as Hongkongers cleaning up. The city's biggest-ever jackpot may have just been split between two tickets, each worth a cool \$84.7 million—but the chances of you specifically winning are fantastically low.

With 49 potential numbers, the chance of correctly picking all six numbers in a single ticket is 1 in 13,983,816. That's 1 chance in almost 14 million. In fact, you are fully 80 times more likely to be killed by lightning than you are to win the Mark Six jackpot.

Take into account the lower-ranked prizes, from the 2nd to 7th place with its lowly \$40 payout, and your chances of winning rise to about 1 in 54. Those are pretty low odds on a global scale: The US Powerball lottery, for instance, delivers a 1 in 35 chance of winning; while the UK's National Lottery offers a tempting-sounding 1 in 9.3 chance.

The Jockey Club keeps statistics on its website, which include rankings of "lucky" shops and the frequency of numbers appearing. The betting shop on Stanley Street

attracted huge queues this week thanks to its reputation as the city's "luckiest" shop—42 past winners have bought their tickets there. Second-luckiest is the branch in Tuen Mun Town Plaza, with 36 wins.

Meanwhile, 10 is the number that's most frequently called in the Mark Six, having been drawn 336 times since July 4, 2002. The least common? Number 19, drawn just 250 times. As for the auspicious number 8—a relatively rare 276 times.

Of course, with a random machine drawing the numbers, this frequency doesn't mean anything at all—it'll all even out eventually. But here's some potentially useful advice for you. If you want to be selfish, stay away from number 8. Not because it seems to show up infrequently, no—but because it's popular with many Mark Six players. Which means that if somehow you beat the odds and your numbers win—well, there's a good chance you'll be sharing your winnings with a lot of other lucky people. Do you really want to see your millions get shared around? Didn't think so.



This week in My Perfect HK:  
Around 100 mothers gathered in a flashmob at Tai Wai station last Saturday, breastfeeding their children in public to protest the discrimination against Hong Kong mothers who breastfeed in public areas. The group urged the government to pass a law protecting mothers' rights to breastfeed in public. We're with them all the way and if you really think breastfeeding in public is icky—just get over yourself.

## Letters

### "I can't count how many times I've seen old dudes blow drying their junk"

#### Dry Spell?

We took a photo in a branch of California Fitness of a sign next to the hair dryers insisting that they were for hair drying only. Facebook readers respond.



Then why can't they set an extra dryer for customers' need? Expensive membership fee should be worth sth right?

Tweety Shan Man Lai

Handy to dry out a sweaty work shirt before going home but alas the health and safety nutters have seen to that.

Lee Fry

Fitness First has a similar sign. They must be there for a reason....Also need a note in the sauna to tell people not to dry their underwear in there!!

Jennifer Jacobbi Piccone

Public decency, can a trash can or a sink function as a urinal? sure, it's not like you stick your hands in there to touch the trash right?

Jordan Chen

Y not a dryer for foot, for shoe, for Underwear  
Ulysses Lee

The problem is universal. I can't count how many times I've seen old dudes blow drying their junk in San Francisco, CA as well. Way too many. Needless to say I don't use the hair dryers lol

Brandon Raper

Good! Members can do any of this to get rid of their memberships and not be bothered by them anymore

Vivian Siu

I don't see what the problem is. It blows hot air. There's never any physical contact between the drier and any body part.

Peter Lee

They better deal with their hundreds of customers complaints at the consumer council first ...

Collin Lam

If I am rich enough to pay California's membership, I'll do whatever the hell I want.

Anthony Poon

Would have thought this sign was in Singapore...  
Craig Bristol Dixon

Now make a "no curls in the power rack" sign pls.

Jam Es

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Ant's Peak

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**Monday 5/16**

## From Preloved To Reloved

Do you find yourself staring into your closet full of clothes, sighing over having nothing to wear? Sounds like the **Wardrobe Project** could help: this new program will send a consultant over to your house to help you organize and recycle your clothes, and redefine your style—they even include a fashion consultation at the recently popped-up Label Chic boutique at PMQ. Anything you don't want, you can sell straight to them.

**By appointment at 6620-4093. Shop H211, 2/F, PMQ, 35 Aberdeen St., Central. \$3,500 per person.**

**Friday 5/13**

## Let's Talk About AIX, Baby

The temperature is pushing 30 now, which means that anytime you're not in an air conditioned room, you're going to want to be by the sea. **AIX on the Beach** at Cococabana in Shek O has you covered: Dig into free-flow AIX Rosé and canapés, with DJ Miya from Cliché Records on the decks.

**From 7:30pm. Cococabana, Shek O Beach, Shek O. \$300 from 2812-2226.**

**Saturday 5/14**

## Suit Up

Come Saturday, will you be in your dapper suit or a cool leather jacket? For their **Mods vs. Rockers** night, Grappa's Cellar pays tribute to those teenage brawls on the shores of Brighton Beach back in 1964. Rock and roll faces off against ska and soul as The Boogie Playboys take on The Red Stripes, while Era Barbers will be on site to dole out free Mod or Rocker haircuts.

**From 8:30pm. Grappa's Cellar, Jardine House, 1 Connaught Place, Central. Free.**

**Sunday 5/15**

## Bun Fights

The **Cheung Chau Bun Festival** returns this weekend for a whole lot of fun (and bun) things to do, see and eat. On Saturday check out the piu sik parade from 2-4pm, in which kids dress up and "float" on poles around the island. At 11:30pm on Saturday don't miss the Bun Scrambling Competition, where contestants scale an enormous bamboo tower studded with "lucky" buns. Want a taste? Islanders will give out buns on Sunday at 9pm at Pak Tai Temple Plaza. **May 13-15. Cheung Chau.**

**Tuesday 5/17**

## Pretty in Pink

Eat for a good cause this month. The Restaurant at the Kinnet is serving their **pink-themed menu** for all of May in collaboration with the Hong Kong Breast Cancer Foundation. Each pink item you order—be it Rosé Sangria or their "Pink Panther Benedict"—will give \$5 to the Foundation. **Through May 31. The Restaurant at the Kinnet, 3/F, 33 Hillier St., Sheung Wan, 3968-7623.**

**Wednesday 5/18**

## Le Jockey Club

**Happy Wednesdays** at the Jockey Club gets the French May treatment, with French bites, wine and live performances. There's a cash prize up for grabs—or you could always win big at the races. Sign up with us and you get admission, food and drink for free. *Bonne chance!* **May 18, 6-10pm, Happy Valley Racecourse, Happy Valley. Free admission, drinks and food at promotions.hk-magazine.com/hw-frenchnight**

**Free Wine & Food!**

**Friday 5/20**

## Wine Time

Skip the bar and hit up the **Victoria Wines Grand Tasting**, as they're offering a selection nobody can beat. Sip from more than 250 wines from 50 wineries from across the world, and keep it all digesting with some delicious canapés. **6-9pm. Armani Aqua, 2/F, Chater House, 8 Connaught Rd., Central. \$488, includes \$100 coupon for bottle purchases over \$1,000.**

**Thursday 5/19**

## Divine Tunes

Cool down your Thursday night cocktail hour with the sounds of **Allen Youngblood & Jazbalaya** at DiVino Patio. Youngblood has played with some of the biggest names in jazz, and every Thursday he brings the groove to Wan Chai. **7-10:30pm. Every Thursday through Jul 28. DiVino Patio, Shop 11, 1/F, Brim 28, 28 Harbour Rd., Wan Chai.**



## Color Me Creepy

Get ready to smile through some dark times: Spanish cartoonist and illustrator **Joan Cornellà** is making his Hong Kong debut with a solo exhibition. His instantly recognizable cartoons depict disturbing or grotesque scenarios punched up by bright, happy colors and empty smiles. He'll be in Hong Kong signing copies of his new book, *Zonzo*. **June 17-26, 10am-10pm. Connecting Space, G/F, Wah Kin Mansion, 18-20 Fort St., North Point. \$50 at the door, includes a lucky draw to win a limited edition illustration and present.**

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## Last Week In Reality

SAT 30

**Tragic Entrance** A woman returns from a morning jog to her room in a corrugated iron house in Yau Ma Tei to find an 83-year-old man lying motionless on her bed. Seeing a large hole in the roof and rubble on and around the bed, she suspects that the man had fallen through the roof. Authorities pronounce him dead at the scene. Initial investigations show that the man, who had been suffering from cancer and diabetes, had jumped from the roof and fallen into the woman's home on the fourth floor podium. The woman discards her mattress.



SUN 1

**Dry Humping** A video shared to a Facebook page goes viral: A woman leans next to the doors of an MTR carriage with one leg between those of a man, who is kissing her. The man appears flushed, and is rubbing his groin against the woman for the length of the two-minute-long video. Some netizens suggest that the man has an intellectual disability and criticize the person who uploaded the video for not alerting MTR staff, while others liken the man's behavior to that of a dog in heat.

MON 2

**False Alarm** A security guard at a residential block in Happy Valley sees what appears to be a gun-toting individual in the building and notifies the police. Emergency Unit officers with bulletproof vests, helmets and submachine guns arrive and begin to search the premises. The search ends when officers find a 13-year-old boy with a toy gun in one of the flats. He had just returned home from a wargame.

TUE 3

**DIY Disaster** A man pushes his bike onto a Central-bound MTR train. He is resting a homemade battery pack for his speaker on the bike seat. As the train nears Sham Shui Po station, there is a small explosion and smoke starts to pour from the box. Six hundred commuters are evacuated from the smoke-filled carriage and MTR staff and police take the man, whose hand is bleeding, to assist with their investigations. He says he had found the batteries on a street in Kwai Chung.

WED 4

**Miracles Don't Happen**

Police arrest 11 people involved with a medical center which claims to provide services that can revitalize the brain and cure cancer. Patients who sought help from the center were required to vow not to undergo surgery, chemotherapy or take Western or Chinese medicine, or all treatment fees would be forfeit. As part of the treatment process, the center would tie magnets to patients' foreheads and limbs, and instruct them to soak their feet in ginger water to improve their immune system and kill cancer cells. An investigation is underway.



THU 5

**M(TR)MA** A video of two middle-aged women fighting on an MTR train goes viral: The video begins with the women wrestling with one another on a row

of empty seats. One woman has grabbed the other woman by her collar as two male passengers step in trying to break up the fight, but without success. The women yell for other passengers to call the police and accuse each other of starting the fight. They finally stop fighting when an MTR employee intervenes. Due to their larger size, some netizens start calling the women "heavyweight fighters." Others recommend that the women discuss Korean dramas and how handsome the Chief Executive is instead.

FRI 6

**Nice Save?** A photo of a banner put up by the Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong in Wong Tai Sin goes viral: The banner reads "Happy Parent's Day." A week earlier, a DAB member had put up a banner which read "Happy Mother's Day" in Chinese and "Happy Father's Day" in English. Some netizens accuse the DAB of discriminating against single-parent families, while others suggest the party should just make an all-purpose "Happy Festival" banner.

## Quote of the Week

"Over the past five years in Hong Kong, there's been an ongoing case of character assassination, and its victim is Chief Executive Leung Chun-ying."

In a Headline Daily column, government spin doctor Andrew Fung complains that media coverage of topics such as an alleged extramarital affair, financial involvement with Australian company UGL and the recent "bag-gate" incident have all formed part of a plan to discredit the CE.

## Talking Points

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

### Head Schooled On Special Needs

A Tuen Mun secondary school principal has come under fire for **associating the students of a special needs school with triads, drug users and cults**. Principal Choi Kwok-kwong of the Yan Oi Tong Chan Wong Suk Fong Memorial Secondary School made the associations in a letter to the Legislative Council ahead of an education panel meeting, which was going to discuss the **relocation of a special needs school from Lantau** to the neighborhood of Choi's school. In the letter, Choi called on lawmakers to defer the relocation. The school's administration later apologized for Choi's choice of words, admitting that the letter had **selectively borrowed terminology from an out-of-date Education Bureau document**. The head of the special needs school blamed the misunderstanding on a lack of awareness regarding services offered by special needs schools.

**Our take:** Looks like somebody enrolled in Quote Mining 101.

### Occupy Lantau Kicks Off

Around 60 Lantau Island villagers blocked the mountain pass of Keng Shan Road on south Lantau to protest **the government's failure to improve transport infrastructure in the area, and its introduction of cars from the rest of Hong Kong**. Non-residents' cars are banned in south Lantau. In February this year, the government launched a scheme to let in 25 private cars per weekday in an effort to boost tourism. Protesters expressed concerns that the scheme, along with the government's plans to develop the island, would make **traffic conditions on the island more dangerous and that roads cannot cater to the increased demand**. The protesters brought traffic on the road to a standstill for nearly half an hour, before agreeing with police to keep to one side of the road.

**Our take:** We're sure Lantau's wild cattle would be grateful for better infrastructure, too...

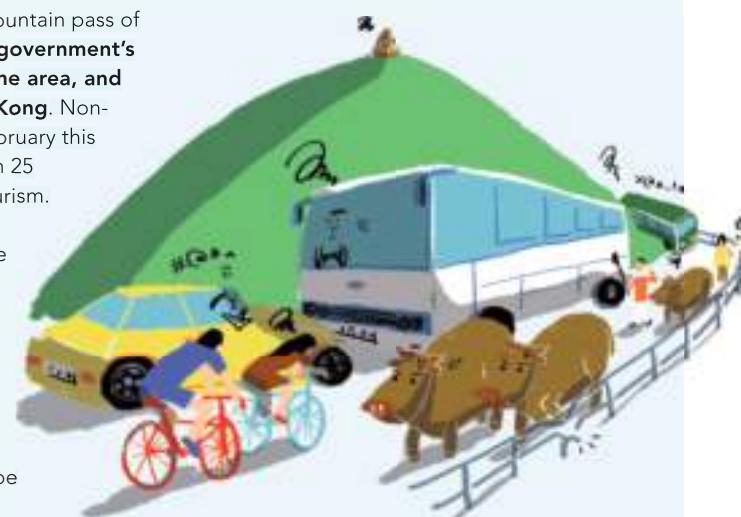


Illustration: Elaine Tang



## Street Talk

Six years ago, Ricky Ma brought his childhood dream to life when he built his first android. Last year, he began work on his android Mark 1 (pictured), spending \$390,000 to complete it. The freelance graphic and product designer tells Stephanie Tsui why he's chosen to invest in a field that most people in Hong Kong don't seem to care about—and what he thinks of sex bots.

**HK Magazine:** What were you like as a kid?

**Ricky Ma:** I was always criticized for my bad grades. In the local education system, we're made to learn everything, but how often do you need the facts or skills you learnt from History or Add. Math? No matter how brilliant you are at school subjects, robots can do better. I'm glad that my mother let me focus on drawing, though. I've been drawing since I was three, and that evolved into a career in graphic and product design.

**HK:** Your robot looks like Scarlett Johansson. Why?

**RM:** I model my robots after people whom I think have a good character. Of course, they have to be beautiful, too. Women I model my robots after aren't your average pretty faces. They're not clingy or the stereotype of weak women—they're strong and smart.

**HK:** Does your wife get jealous of your sexy robots?

**RM:** Would you mind if your boyfriend modeled his sculpture after a beautiful woman? It's just a piece of art. People who create androids are often concerned about criticisms against the "nude" robotic body, but it depends on how you interpret it: Is it artistic, or is it pornographic? I think the female body is a work of art.

**HK:** What criticisms do you get?

**RM:** Some people call me an otaku [geek]. Again, it depends on how you interpret the term. If an otaku sits at home all day and does nothing, then he's just weird. But I have a wife and two kids, property and knowledge. People are always going to be jealous. I don't mean to compare myself to great men, but look at Albert Einstein and the Wright brothers—they were ridiculed for their ideas, but look at where they got us! People have called me crazy, but that's not going to stop me from creating art. Making Mark 1 was a complicated process, and I don't have an engineering background: But a Bible verse from the book of Mark encouraged me to believe in myself.

**HK:** What do you think of sex robots?

**RM:** Women experience a few days of inconvenience every month. During moments like these, would you rather your boyfriend cheated on you with another woman, or satisfied his biological needs with a sex robot? This boils down to satisfying a basic human need. As a creator, I'm also open to tapping into the sex toy market because there appears to be a demand for them. There are guys who suck at socializing with women. Men from my generation would go to mainland China to drink and do business, and women from poorer parts of the country would flock to them and offer them sex for money. Sex robots could discourage such immoral transactions, although I doubt existing technology offers the same level of relaxation and comfort as the real deal.

**HK:** Will robots take over the world?

**RM:** Robots operate on preset programs. Even their "emotions" are preset. They can't replace our imagination. Then there are concerns that robots will take our jobs and make humans redundant. But we can use robots to perform dangerous tasks and help take care of us so we can focus on higher-level stuff, like innovation and creativity. But that's something Hong Kong needs to work on. Why did the foreign media pick my story up before the local media did? Foreign countries have been interested in innovation and technology for years, so it's natural that they would discuss these topics more. In Hong Kong, our way of thinking hasn't really progressed since the manufacturing era. Who here doesn't work overtime? People in foreign countries can actually spend time with their families, make use of their creativity and relax. If we only start thinking about innovation when our finance and property markets fail, we won't be able to catch up.

**Intrigued? Find out more about Ricky and Mark 1 at [rickyma.hk](http://rickyma.hk)**

## Blowing Water

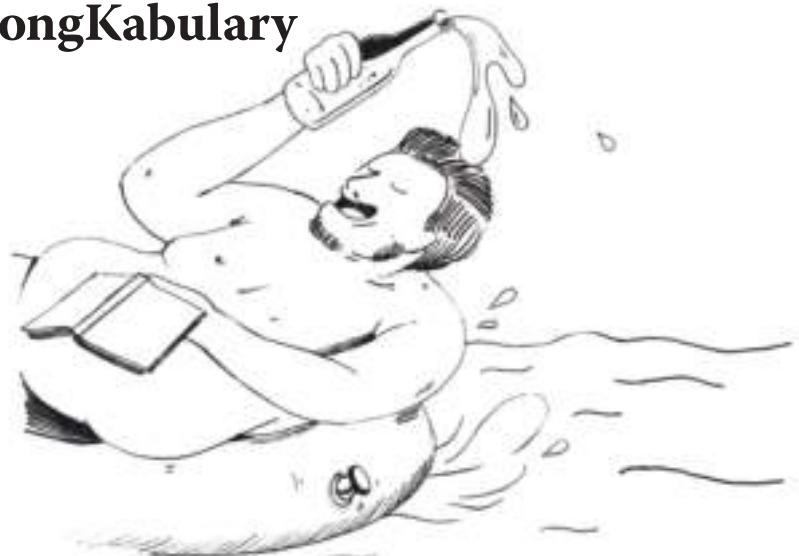
吹水 (*chui sui*), v. Cantonese slang. To chat, bullshit.

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**扯皮條**

"PULL SKIN STRIP"

"Pimp out." Old-fashioned term deriving from using strips of leather to bind things together. Has come to mean "shilling for questionable businesses" as well as "soliciting for sex."

## HongKabulary



### Flubmariner (flʌbmærɪnər), n.

One who accepts that they were never going to hit the gym to get "junk body ready," so it's OK to embrace another beery junk season.

*"I meant to start pumping weights and eating right in January, but I decided to have fun instead. Guess I'm a flubmariner again this year."*

# THE PERFECT BOAT

Mid-May marks the start of junk season: We go behind the scenes of the city's very best in summertime fun. By **HK Staff**

## F THE ONE GUY NO ONE KNOWS

There's always one person who's on the junk for **reasons that are never fully explained**. Treat them kindly: next time, it could be you.

### A SHARKS

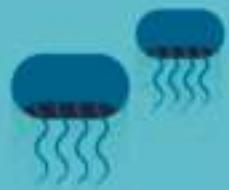
Not a real threat, despite yearly reports to the contrary. Hong Kong's last fatal shark attack was in 1995.

### B THE BOW

Ideal on the way out thanks to its proximity to the water. Becomes **prime tanning zone** later in the day.

### C JELLYFISH

Keep an eye out for these little stingers. Don't mess with them and they won't mess with you. Oh, and **peeing on a sting** doesn't work. Try fresh water.



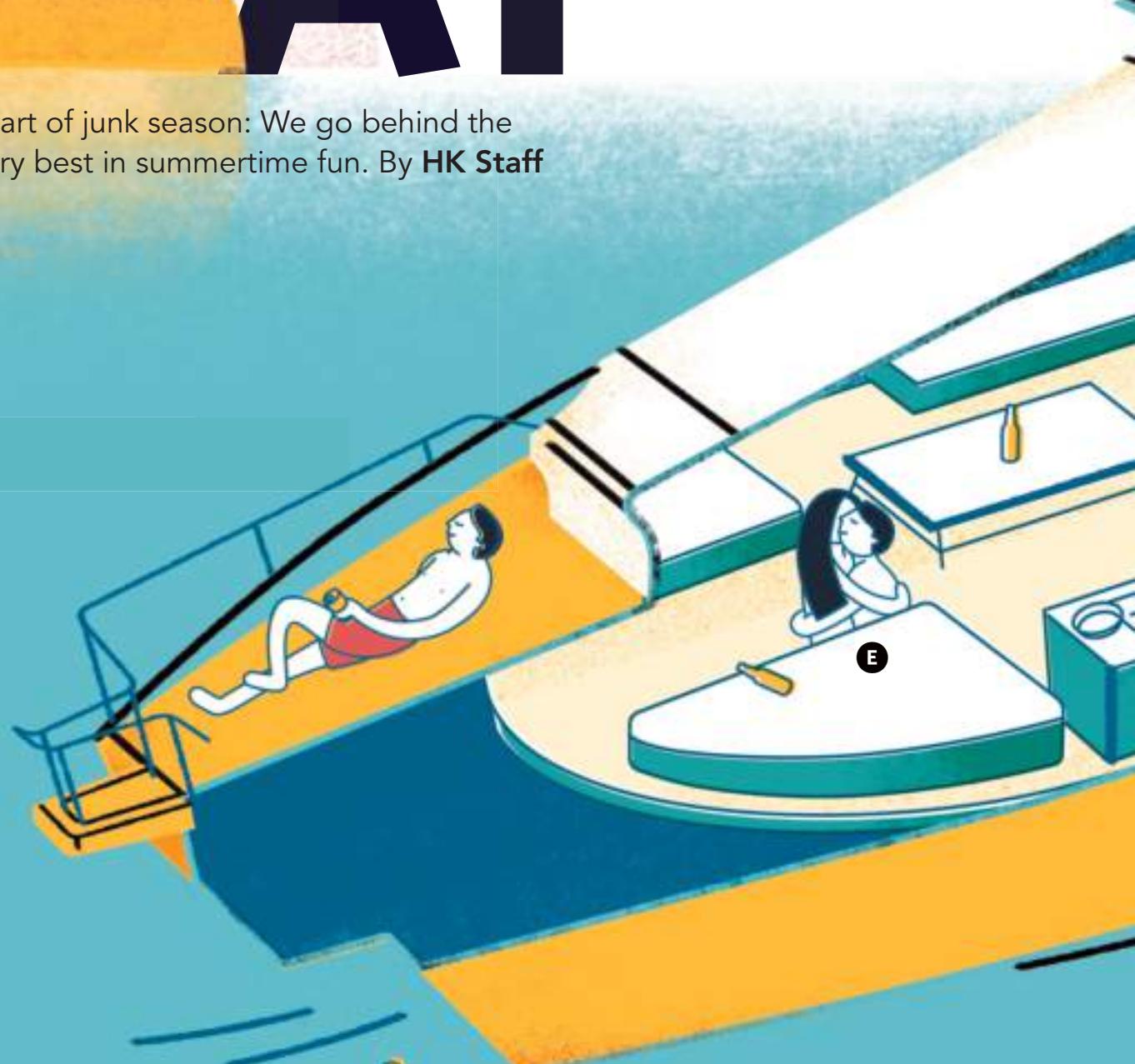
### D POOL NOODLES

Got 'em? Bring 'em. These **friendly floating tubes** are an essential aid to junk trip survival.



### E NOOKIE CORNER

The forward cabin is stuffy and not very nice at all, but **hookups have been known**. Our advice: save it for dry land, Romeos.



## G THE TOP DECK

Traditionally the spot for a lazy, tired journey home into the harbor sunset. **Jumping from the top** is both fun and hazardous depending on how slippery it is (and how much alcohol you've had).



## N THE BEER SWIM

Perfect the art of swimming with a **can of beer held above sea level**. This is absolutely essential.

## O TOILETS

Junks don't have septic holding tanks, so they **flush straight into the sea**. Which means that if you've got to drop a number 2, don't do it when the junk's stationary. If you're swimming around the junk and you see toilet paper in the ocean: get away quick.

## P COCKTAIL STATION

If you're feeling adventurous, consider setting up a cocktail station for the higher class junk attendees to **mix up a drink or two**. Fine suggestions include Negronis (all you need is Campari, sweet vermouth, gin and orange) or caipirinhas (cachaca/white rum, sugar, limes).

## H GOPRO

These days, action cams are an essential part of any junk trip. Make sure you have a **floating selfie stick**. This year, though, we're hoping for more **junk DRONES**. Get on it, cinematographers.

## I SUNSCREEN

Bring it, use it, or you'll end up the color of the **Hong Kong flag**—complete with pale bits.

## J BACK OF THE BOAT

Repository for all the food. There are **always way too many potato chips**. Go figure.

## K BEER COOLER

Beer is the lifeblood of any junk and the sound of a **case of beer tumbling into a cooler** is an essential start to your trip. Just make sure you have enough, because a dry junk is a terrible fate.

## M THE SPEEDBOAT

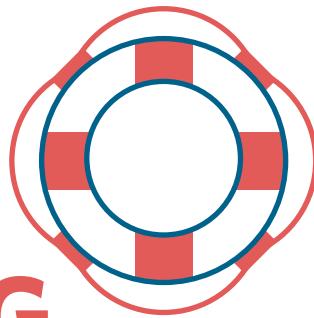
Is renting a speedboat worth the **extra \$1,000-3,000**? That's up to how active you're feeling. Remember, there's always one person who's 20 times better at wakeboarding than everyone else.

## L ICE

Most boats will supply ice to cool your drinks, but it won't be safe to drink. **Ask for drinking ice** if you're planning on anything more adventurous than just cooling beer.



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3555-5555, [jubilee.hk](http://jubilee.hk)

### HONG KONG JUNKS

**The boats:** Three classic teak junks.

**The cost:** Boat-only rates for April-November start from \$200 per person, while all-inclusive packages start at \$450 per person. Extras include face painting (\$2,750) and watersports (from \$1,000).

2840-1588, [hongkongjunks.com.hk](http://hongkongjunks.com.hk)

### SAFFRON CRUISES

**The boats:** Six junks, plus yachts, cruisers, ferries and a replica 18th-century sailing ship.

**The cost:** Prices start at \$7,500. Saffron offers catering services with a buffet menu from \$340 per person.

2857-1311, [saffron-cruses.com](http://saffron-cruses.com)

### VIKINGS CHARTERS

**The boats:** Pleasure cruisers and traditional Chinese junks.

**The cost:** A weekday package (\$5,200) includes boat hire and two hours speed boat and watersports. Weekend boat rentals start at \$4,500.

2814-9899, [vikingscharters.com.hk](http://vikingscharters.com.hk)

## \$\$ EXTRA VALUE

### KOH THAI

**The boats:** Quality pad Thai on the high seas with these junks.

**The cost:** The weekday package is \$499 per person with free-flow drinks and full onsite catering; a "Sunday Funday" deal is \$580 each with watersports, games and massages.

2668-1468, [kohthai.com.hk](http://kohthai.com.hk)

### HONG KONG YACHTING

**The boats:** HK Yachting specializes in unusual craft—from ocean-going racing yachts to floating party pads.

**The cost:** Junks and cruisers start at \$8,500 but there are also one-of-a-kind charters. The newest is the Tarzan, a former dive boat able to host 55. Day charters are \$27,000.

2526-0151, [hongkongyachting.com](http://hongkongyachting.com)

### BREAKAWAY

**The boat:** A fully equipped luxury 48-foot motor yacht for 23, available with a multitude of packages.

**The cost:** A day package includes two meals and snacks, and free-flow soft drinks and wine, from \$14,850 for 15 people. It also includes an inflatable pool, tanning bed and kayak. Also available: a romantic four-course dinner for two (\$4,900).

6180-5059, [breakawayhk.com](http://breakawayhk.com)

## \$\$\$ GO LUXE

### MICHELANGELO

**The boat:** This gorgeous 80-foot cruiser has been crafted from tropical hardwoods, brass and copper. Its beautiful 4,000 square feet will accommodate up to 59.

**The cost:** Charters start at \$24,000, and menus range from \$420-970. Sleeps up to nine overnight.

6621-1691, [luxurysuperjunk.com](http://luxurysuperjunk.com)



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### RIVIERA ORIENTALE

**The boats:** Sometimes you've just got to go all out. Riviera Orientale is all about extravagant cruising, with brand-new yachts manned with internationally trained crews. Their Numarine 105XL superyacht arrives in town in August.

**The cost:** Charter rates start at \$25,000 per day for a Sunseeker 40 yacht—although the Numarine 105 will set you back \$125,000. Charter it overnight and go exploring!

2677-7791, [rivieraorientale.com](http://rivieraorientale.com)

## SHIP'S MEALS

### DELICIOUS

These caterers also offer junk charters: All-inclusive cruises from \$500 per head (weekdays, minimum 20) or \$650 (weekends, minimum 25). Alternatively buffet packages start at \$200 per head, delivery \$100.

2559-0144, [delicious-hk.com](http://delicious-hk.com)

### 22 SHIPS

Menus boast Iberico pork and 28-day aged Australian ribeye, from \$350 or per person (minimum order \$10,000).

2555-0722, [22ships.hk](http://22ships.hk)

### CHICKEN ON THE RUN

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2537-8285, [chickenontherun.com](http://chickenontherun.com)

### M CUISINE

Chef Michael Erlick adds a touch of class to your debaucherous junk trip. A seasonally changing menu features oysters, caviar and more. Menus vary, averaging \$700 a head for a party of 12. Delivery included.

2558-8664, [m-cuisine.com](http://m-cuisine.com)

### THE WALRUS

Crafted for around 30 people, the 130-oyster package from The Walrus (\$4,600) also includes 60 drinks and eight bottles of wine. A pretty great deal—if you know how to shuck an oyster. Delivery \$50.

9862-8031, [thewalrus.hk](http://thewalrus.hk)

## SIGHTSEA-ING

Don't like the idea of all that boozy debauchery? It's not the only way to check out the oceans. Hello Hong Kong's new **HK by Sea** tour offers a unique glimpse into the history of the city. The tour leaves from Causeway Bay and takes in Victoria Harbour before heading to the container port in Kwai Tsing. It weaves between massive cargo ships, then heads down to Aberdeen, Repulse Bay and ends at Stanley. Along the way, you're regaled with fascinating bits of Hong Kong's founding and its maritime history, as well as tales of the sea.

Every Friday morning. \$975 from [hellohongkong.com.hk/boat-tour](http://hellohongkong.com.hk/boat-tour)

Hong Kong startup **CaterSpot** ([caterspot.hk](http://caterspot.hk)) has a long list of caterers with junk deals.

## BEYOND THE SEA

A simple luxury boat cruise not enough for you? No worries. **Nextwave Charters** has teamed up with **Heliservices HK** to create a full-on air, land and sea package. You're taken on a sightseeing tour of Hong Kong by helicopter, before being driven to the pier where you're picked up by a luxury yacht for a three-hour champagne cruise through the city. Prices start at \$22,000. Can't quite afford it? Nextwave is also offering a summer weekend junk special for a \$7,000 flat rate.

Check out more details at [nextwavecharter.com](http://nextwavecharter.com)

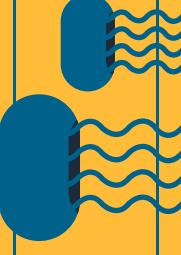


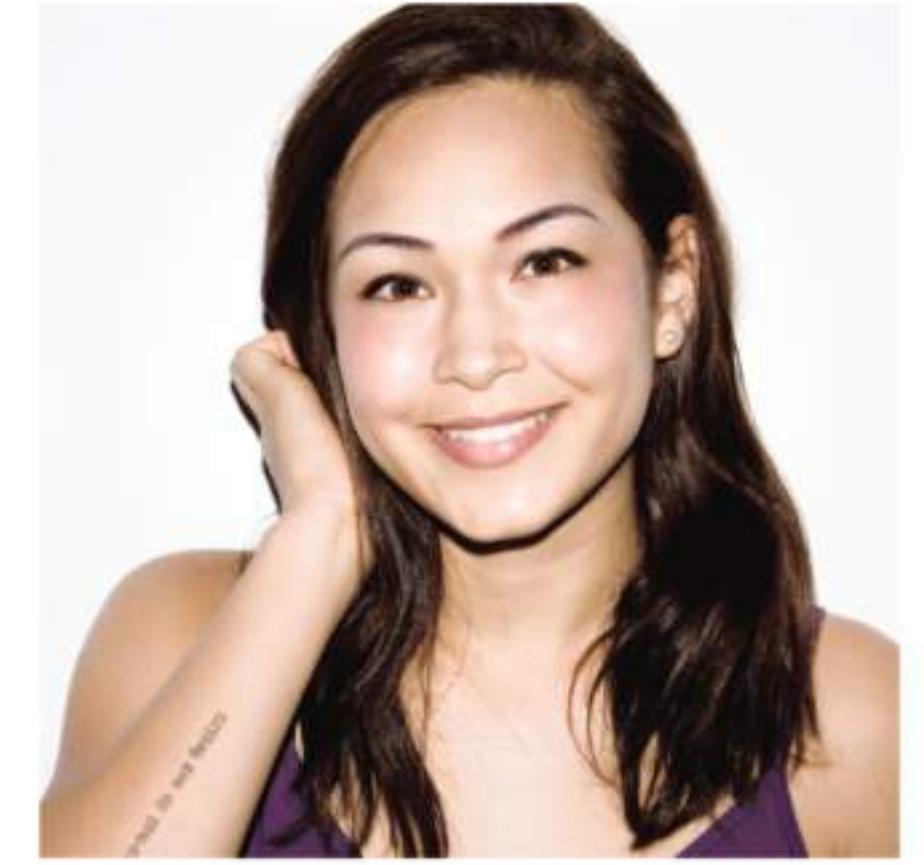
Be all at sea with The Walrus' oyster deal

Find more junk hires and caterers at [hk-magazine.com](http://hk-magazine.com)!

# JUNK TRIP BINGO

It's time for a round of **junk trip bingo!** Take this card and mark off everything you see on your next junk trip. Tag us @hk\_magazine with your best junk moments!

Smokin' hot bikini bod	Someone slips in a puddle of beer	Unexpected six-pack	Someone tries to mess with the playlist	Toilet paper in the water
Guy who shows up hungover	Group junk pic	Salt water in your beer	Singalong!	Guy who goes too hard, has to lie down by lunchtime
First beer cracked before 10.30am	Jellyfish!		Junk trip virgin, overwhelmed by the possibilities	Thoroughly irritated boat staff
Junk hookup	Dithering on the top deck, working up courage to jump	The guy no one knows	Belly flop	Guy who swims to beach, not heard of for an hour
Flying fish hits you in the face	Passive aggressive argument about destination	White people who go red by noon	Someone sings "I'm on a boat"	Someone tries to drag you to Wan Chai afterwards



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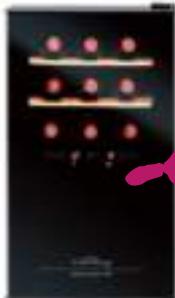


# WINE & MUSIC WALK & STROLL

Brighten up Hong Kong's long, hot summer with a glass of wine in hand, as you explore the leafy enclave of The East and Lee Tung Avenue in Wan Chai. What better way to kick back and relax with friends, as you bask in the afternoon sun and soak up the atmosphere?

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### Escalating Hong Kong

Wing Chan spent his childhood as a laborer in a noodle factory behind Kowloon Walled City. He left Hong Kong at 18, embarking on an award-winning career in commercial design.

Now, he's back in Hong Kong with his unique and frenetic photomontages of some of the city's most recognizable details:

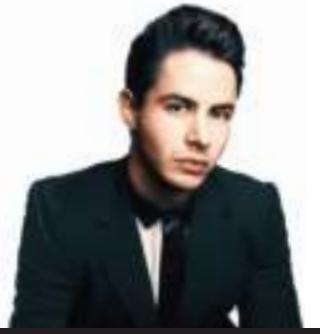
Catch his work at the Affordable Art Fair this weekend.

**May 13-15. Grand Hall, HKCEC, 1 Expo Drive,  
Wan Chai. \$80-150 from [affordableartfair.com](http://affordableartfair.com)**

## GOOD LOOKS

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### The Walk of Shame

It happens to the best of us: You had a "sleepover" after a big night out and now it's 7am, you have a huge hangover, and you need to transform your raccoon eyes, messed up hair and sleepy face into an impossibly fresh "I woke up like this" look. It'll take some planning to save you from the embarrassment of walking to work wearing the same clothes from the night before. Here's what you need to know.

*Carb up for a tough morning in the office with a pineapple bun...*

#### Dress Swap

The safe option is to bring a thin dress with you, like this navy blue dress from **What the Frock**. It's comfortable to wear, made of a super soft breathable silk and jersey mix, and best of all, doesn't need to be ironed—so you can easily stuff it into your bag.

**Classic navy blue wrap dress, \$899**  
from What The Frock, [whatthefrock.net](http://whatthefrock.net)

#### Scandal Sandals

When it comes time for the great escape and you're trying to deal with the rush hour crowds, last night's heels are going to be a pain. As a preventative measure, carry a pair of pretty sandals like these from **House of Avenues**, which will upscale your look without looking like you're trying too hard.

**Silver sandals, \$995** from House of Avenues, LG-G/F, 37-43 Cochrane St., Central, 2363-6466.

#### Sun Spots

Shield your hooded eyes with a pair of dark shades like these classic ones from **RA.D**—also important if you want to avoid eye contact and potential run-ins with people you know.  
**Sunglasses, \$1,500** from RA.D @ Kapok, Shop HG10-12, PMQ, 35 Aberdeen St., Central, 2858-8170.

#### Switch it Up

Take off the heavy jewelry—way too loud for the next morning. Instead, throw on these conservative yet beautiful handmade 925 sterling silver earrings from **The Little Finger**.  
**Shadow earrings, \$750**, The Little Finger, [thelittlefinger.com](http://thelittlefinger.com)



#### Hide Away

Do people still get hickeys nowadays? A printed scarf covers up any unsightly marks and keeps you looking put together—we love this one by **Chailie Ho** which is 100 percent silk satin with a Hong Kong skyline design.  
**\$1,280** from Chailie Ho, Shop S409, PMQ, 35 Aberdeen St., Central.



#### Morning After Survival Kit

Go from nighttime party animal to fresh-faced OL with these tips:

1. Remove the redness of your eyes with eye drops.
2. Brush your teeth; you don't want colleagues to smell the alcohol from last night. At least chew some gum.
3. Use make-up wipes. Nothing better than having a clean face. Maybe even use it for your underarms...
4. Retouching your eyeliner and mascara are a must.
5. Did you know baby powder can act as dry shampoo? Put a small amount in your hair, then brush or comb it out to revive the volume.

#### Guys: Pay Attention

Want a girl to call you back the morning after? Think: What would girls look for in your closet? Shop for oversized denim shirts or jackets, or silky soft, solid colored t-shirts, all of which are best teamed up with a leather belt around the waist or a baseball cap.



Got any great morning-after tips or tricks? We want to know all about it. Take a photo and tag @hk\_magazine on Instagram!



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## ESCAPE ROUTES

Tired of staying at five-star hotel chains? Plan your next long weekend getaway at one of these brand-new boutique hotels that exude plenty of character and cool.

### Phnom Penh: From Dawn 'til Dusk

Once you've filled your temple quota in Siem Reap, head south to discover the rich culinary and cultural paradise of Cambodia's capital city, Phnom Penh. The newly opened **Sun & Moon Urban Hotel** has it all for the young, hip backpacker: an artsy boutique vibe, an excellent central location and high-tech concierge services.

You'll be greeted with a striking façade, encompassing a T-shaped brightly-lit central atrium. Art and design converge in the public spaces, brought to life by contemporary artworks and a vibrant color palette throughout the property. The hotel's distinct retro design casts a fun throwback vibe, with psychedelic blue and orange colors pervading the rooftop pool, bedrooms and lobby.

You may not find the sprawling spaces of five-star chains, but expect more personalized services including flexible check-in, onsite currency exchange and more. A state-of-the-art spa offers body scrubs, facials and massages. Sip on craft cocktails at poolside sky bar Cloud 9, or head downstairs to the multicultural Salt n' Pepper Gastropub.

First time in Phnom Penh? Check in with the concierge for a tailor-made itinerary to explore the area, from the gold-plated Royal Palace to the National Museum housing a priceless selection of Buddhist and historical artifacts.

**From \$528 per night. No. 68, corner of 136 St. and 15 Phar Kandal 1, Phnom Penh, Cambodia, (+855) 23-961-888, sunandmoonhotel.com**



### Zhejiang: Crouching Tiger, Hidden Holiday

If a peaceful getaway is what you're after, step back in time at the newly opened **Alila Anji** in Zhejiang province. Here you'll discover the more serene—and even spiritual—side of China in this majestic natural setting surrounded by verdant rolling hills, towering bamboo forests and picturesque waters.

Famed as the filming location for "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon," Anji is China's first "National Ecological County" dedicated to preserving the beautiful countryside, and this private resort is a hidden gem enveloped by 60,000 hectares of bamboo groves and white tea plantations. The Alila fits seamlessly into its surroundings, with sloping dark-tiled roofs and white-washed exteriors made to resemble a traditional Chinese village. A total of 74 country-inspired villas use a palette of natural woods and bamboo, with modern amenities including rain showers and daybeds.

Choose from the one-bedroom Hill View Villas with built-in double vanities and a master bedroom—ideal for honeymooners who want a bit of privacy—or the Lake View Villas which can accommodate two adults and two children in a cozy "home-away-from-home".

Visit in spring to witness the blossoming of plum trees adjacent to the resort and try out the rare nutrient-rich Anji white tea from this pollution-free region. The idea of sipping a soothing cup of tea on our own private terrace overlooking a lush mountainous landscape puts the Alila Anji right at the top of our list of hidden boutique destinations.

**From \$1,672 per night. The Meiziwian (Plum Tree Bay) Scenic Area, Hang Gai Town, Anji County, Zhejiang, China, (+86) 572-510388, alilahotels.com/anji**

### Bali: You Say Tomato, I Say Potato

The group behind the infamous Potato Head Beach Club in Bali has opened their first resort right next door, so it's time to scoot down and check out the brand new digs.

With a stunning modern architectural design composed of 1.5 million hand-laid terracotta bricks, the new **Katamama hotel** in Seminyak, Bali is just steps away from the buzzing beach club, and embodies pretty much what you'd expect from a project of the PTT Family, which runs Potato Head: a friendly staff, an uber-trendy look, and a laidback yet infectious energy. If you're coming to Bali to while away the days with surf and sand—this is where you want to be.

The first order on the agenda: a cocktail. Each of the 58 suites is outfitted with an in-room bar, complete with extensive bar equipment for guests to mix their own drinks. Or head to Akademi bar, where you can experiment with local Balinese ingredients, different maturation methods and spirits in a range of classes and workshops.

Next door to Akademi, Aussie import MoVida has kicked off its first overseas venture. Bright and airy with traditional handwoven fabrics and tropical plants, the restaurant offers a menu of Spanish jamóns, inventive tapas with local ingredients, and signature dishes including the infamous air-dried wagyu with poached organic egg and truffle foam.

Other amenities include a state-of-the-art gym and an outdoor swimming pool set in a lush tropical garden. Of course, if your idea of a holiday is lounging on the beach with a drink in hand, mosey over to the beach club, where you can flash your Katamama card and bunker down on a lounger for the day with the beautiful Seminyak beach at your feet. Welcome to paradise.

**From \$2,095 per night. Jl Petitenget 51B, Seminyak, Bali, 80361, Indonesia, (+62) 361-302-9999, the-katamama.com**



# DINING



# Frying Nemo

BATTLE OF  
THE BEST

Mirror mirror on the wall, who has the flakiest fish of them all? **Danielle Harris** and **Jack McCormack** taste their way through the best fish'n'chips in town.

## Hooked

### THE FISH

Hooked serves up a hunk of fresh, sustainably-caught New Zealand blue cod and a mound of classic chips (\$95), wrapped in paper for on-the-go feasting. The batter is made from a top-secret recipe, but what we can tell you is that it's fried in Australian sunflower oil and therefore low cholesterol and non-GMO, so you can feel a little healthier about chowing down on this dish.

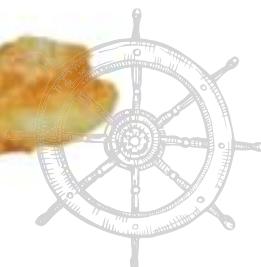
### THE CHIPS

Also a product of New Zealand, the chips here are double-fried and go great with the selection of tartar, tomato and chili sauces (\$5).

### THE VERDICT

If you've got fish'n'chips on your mind but aren't looking for all the effort of a sit-down meal, then Hooked is your go-to for sure.

Caine Mansion, 80-88 Caine Rd., Mid-Levels, 2915-1118, [hooked.hk](http://hooked.hk)



## Seasalt ►

### THE FISH

Seasalt's signature fish'n'chips foregoes the classic cod, instead opting for Indonesian barramundi (\$135). Thank god they do, because the barramundi came out incredibly flaky and juicy. The batter had a doughy, homemade bread taste to it, and worked perfectly with the slight fishiness of the barramundi.

### THE CHIPS

Although a bit dry, the chips had a good wholesome potato taste and were perfect for soaking up all of the delicious sauces.

### THE SIDES

You can order your fish with a side salad instead of chips, but let's be real—if you're eating fried fish, who are you kidding with that salad? They also had a variety of sauces including tartar (so delicious) and garlic aioli.

### THE VERDICT

If you want fish'n'chips that does justice to the main ingredient, come here for a satisfying meal that'll leave your stomach and your wallet happy.

23 Mosque St., Mid-Levels, 2790-7211, [seasalt.com.hk](http://seasalt.com.hk)



## ◀ London House

### THE FISH

This Atlantic cod is sent to Hong Kong chilled but never frozen, in order to prevent loss of flavor and retain its moisture and texture prior to being beer-battered. The fish was thick and succulent if a little oily, but the crispy and well-seasoned batter stole the show. A bonus: The fish is portioned out by weight, so ordering one serving (\$208) could get you up to three whole fillets.

### THE CHIPS

London House uses Agria tubers, which have a low starch content so they don't end up gluey when cooked. Peeled, hand-cut and cooked in-house, these chips had a strong taste of real potato.

### THE SIDES

We loved the minty side of mashed peas tossed in rich butter.

### THE VERDICT

It's not the cheapest option in town, but come for the waterfront atmosphere and generous servings.

Shop G5, Tsim Sha Tsui Centre, 66 Mody Rd., Tsim Sha Tsui East, 3650-3333, [diningconcepts.com/londonhouse](http://diningconcepts.com/londonhouse)



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◀ Catch on Catchick

THE FISH

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This K-town resto presented us with a genuinely delicious and quality chunk of sea perch (\$198), perfectly seasoned with just a squeeze of lemon. We found ourselves calling it a "fish sandwich" because of how easily it could be picked up and eaten while remaining perfectly intact—the soft and flavorful fish was delicately cradled between the sweet and crispy golden brown batter.

THE CHIPS

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Thick, just how we like them. Twice-cooked and never frozen, these fries have an authentic potato taste while still remaining as crispy as they should be.

THE SIDES

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The tartar sauce was made from the owner's secret family recipe and a little plainer than the rest, but good to complement the strong flavors in the rest of the meal.

THE VERDICT

★★★★★

With its chilled-out atmosphere, Catch is the all-in-one package for enjoying a solid plate of fish'n'chips with an alfresco vibe.

G/F, 93 Catchick St., Kennedy Town, catch.hk

▼ Fish and Chick

THE FISH

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After checking out the wide selection of local and international fish, we settled on the hake from New Zealand (\$145). The hake was beer-battered and fried in the crispiest batter we had by far. Though this gold and flaky batter tried its best to outshine the fish, it couldn't. The hake's undeniably fresh taste was what defined this dish as more than just your run-of-the-mill fish'n'chips.

THE CHIPS

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The chips here are nothing to write home about, but then again, plain ol' chips are never a bad thing.

THE SIDES

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The fish'n'chips come with traditional mushy peas, homemade tartar sauce, and lemon and salt garnishes. The mushy peas were a bit under-seasoned, but the tartar sauce was creamy and refreshing.

THE VERDICT

☆☆☆☆☆

With a wide selection of fish and no-fuss execution, Fish and Chick spoils you with a satisfying meal and a view overlooking the K-Town harborfront.

25 New Praya, Kennedy Town, 2974-0088, fishandchick.co

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# DINING

## NEW AND NOTED



Up your brunch game at Spoon

### It Takes Two To Spoon

Despite an influx of new-wave, "funky modern" brunches in the city, sometimes the classics still prove to be the best. For unbeatable panoramic harbor views and homemade artisanal brunch dishes executed with finesse, spend a relaxing Sunday at **Spoon by Alain Ducasse** (InterContinental Hong Kong, 18 Salisbury Rd., 2313-2256), now offering a \$888 brunch inclusive of a glass of champagne, and a selection of wines to pair with the parade of classic brunch dishes. As you take in the city skyline, you'll be presented with a warm basket of viennoiseries, plus homemade organic muesli. Munch on a selection of artisanal homemade breads slathered with premium Bordier butter as you peruse the mains, including meat or seafood and an oven-baked "cookpot" of cereal and seasonal veggies. There are more goodies to pack in before the main event arrives, from Iberico ham and pickles to homemade salmon gravlax and eggs prepared any way you want—scrambled, sunny side-up, fried, poached with truffle and herbs... Of course, brunch at this InterCon institution wouldn't be complete without a selection of fine French cheeses (the smellier the better) and a tempting array of desserts by pastry chef Oliver Lannes: including sugar-free options, if you still happen to be counting calories at the end of the day.

## RESTAURANT REVIEWS

### Supafood ★★★★☆

Western Café. 1 Jervois St., Sheung Wan, 2812-6088.



pulled pork with apple sandwich (\$58) was pure unadulterated protein, with a sizeable heap of perfectly seasoned pork topping a plain roll. We wouldn't recommend this one for the health nuts, however, unless the grease that soaked through the bread was hiding some omega-3 fatty acids.

■ **HIT** The organic Aussie grass-fed beef brisket curry (\$58 small/\$68 large) was a rainbow of purple cabbage slaw, sautéed spinach, sesame-sprinkled rice and tender chunks of marinated curry beef. It was flavorful and the beef succulent—although the rice did take up half the box. The organic US pasture-raised

In a culinary landscape teeming with hip new eateries boasting terms like "green," "sustainable" and "organic," we were curious. With its promise of all-organic food at affordable price points, where will new Sheung Wan post-gym grab-n-go counter Supafood land on the spectrum between authentic and trendy?

■ **MISS** The baked sustainable Atlantic halibut salad (\$98 small/\$108 large) was more sweet than savory, with pumpkin, pumpkin seeds, apples, red onion, cherry tomatoes and couscous, topped with a lackluster avocado yogurt and precious few bites of halibut hiding in the corner. Depending on your metabolism, this pricey salad might last you a workout but it definitely won't last you until dinner. Our "Bery Happy" smoothie (\$68) had a lot more banana than berry.

■ **BOTTOM LINE** Some dishes deliver more filler than substance, but Supafood is sure to please the sustainably minded crowd.

**Open Mon-Sat 9am-8:30pm. \$**

#### Ratings

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

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### From Vienna, With Love

The latest big-name collaboration from the **Mandarin Oriental** (5 Connaught Rd., Central, 2522-0111) has our sweet tooth fired up—a partnership with the world-famous **Café Central** in Vienna to bring over traditional Viennese cakes and pastries, alongside premium coffee from Austrian specialty roaster Julius Meinl. From now until June 20, guests at the Clipper Lounge and Café Cauvette can savor the best of Café Central's artisanal pastries, from an almond-filled *mohr im hemd* cake to the famed *sachertorte*, guaranteed to induce chocolate-related euphoria. Barista Wolfgang Eisler from Julius Meinl has also brought over a sampling of traditional Viennese coffees (from \$68)—giving our customary afternoon “tea” a European twist. Prefer to indulge in private? Order takeaway slices (\$48) or whole cakes (\$888 for 3lb) from the Mandarin Cake Shop.



Vienna comes to town at the Mandarin

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### Maison Libanaise ★★★★☆

Lebanese. 10 Shelley St., SoHo, 2111-2284.



Black Sheep Restaurants' 12th venture is all about good Lebanese food and wine—but what makes it different from your regular kebab store down the road? Style, perhaps. The trendy and colorful three-story restaurant—neon sign and pretty girl logo and all—pays homage to a Lebanese canteen in 60s Beirut, and boasts an impressive wine menu of over 100 wines from the region.

**HIT** Even with a no reservations policy, we only had to wait around 10 minutes on a busy weeknight for a seat in the upstairs dining room (Le Salon). The hummus was served slightly rustic, and with plenty of tahini flavor. The baba

ganoush was nicely smoky, and both were great portions for \$48 each. The pulled lamb shoulder (\$198) was full of cumin, and perfect for any lover of mutton. It paired well with creamy goat's cheese, though the small portion didn't quite justify the price tag. The za'atar fried chicken (\$108 for six pieces) let the earthy, spicy flavor of za'atar shine through in the moreish crispy batter.

**MISS** Whether by architectural design or just packed seating, the dining room was somehow uncomfortably noisy. Food also got cold too quickly, and a steaming bowl of pita or a soft, sweet pan-fried haloumi with honey glaze and Byzantine dressing (\$108) was swiftly reduced to a rubbery mess.

**BOTTOM LINE** We'd love to come back for a glass of wine and more mezze, although we might head to the upstairs rooftop next time for somewhere less noisy and chilly.

**Open Sun-Thu noon-11pm, Fri-Sat noon-midnight (Le Salon).** **\$\$**

#### Our Policy

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### Paloma Faith

Sai Ying Pun spanish joint **La Paloma** (1/F, Soho 189, 189 Queen's Rd. West, 2291-6161) gets a revamped menu this season. Dig into the *Tapeo Variado* (\$368) tapas platter with six different bites to share, including the *Bacon con Queso*—bacon-topped air baguettes that explode with cheese. From the resto's asador oven, we loved the *lubina a la espalda* roasted whole sea bass (\$245), which was brimming with flavor from the garlic, chili and paprika sauce. The *rabo de toro* braised ox-tail (\$220) with confit shallots and potatoes was also ridiculously tender and succulent. The *arroz negro* squid ink and prawn paella (\$348) was beautifully buttery and al dente—there's no better way to round off the mains at La Paloma than with this spectacle of a dish.



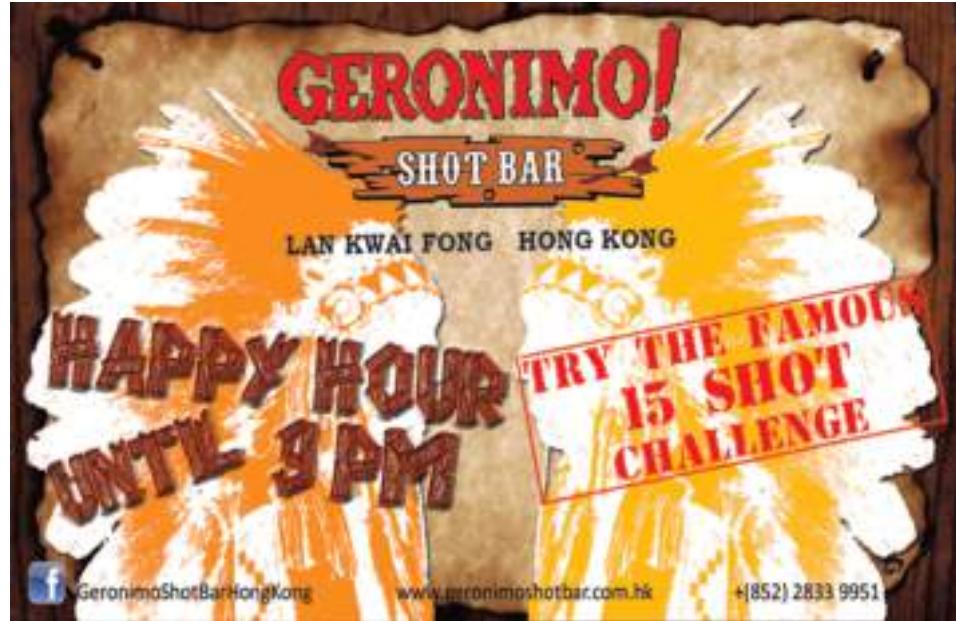
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# CITY STROLL

## Shanghai Street

Once the most prosperous street in Kowloon, Shanghai Street still has some magic up its sleeve. More than two kilometers of unique kitchenware and trinkets line this thoroughfare that extends from Mong Kok to Jordan. With its old-school shophouses and its quirky colorful stores, this street characterizes all that's best about Kowloon. Compiled by Danielle Harris and Jack McCormack

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### Tin Hau Temple

With five unique temples in one location, the Tin Hau Temple Complex is a respite from the rest of the area. It's a fascinating juxtaposition between incense-filled temples, old men playing chess in the square... and vendors waiting to sell you sex toys just outside its walls.



Intersection of Temple Street and Public Square Street, Yau Ma Tei.

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### Dharma Arts

Dharma Arts sells a large variety of Dharma products and thangkas custom-made in Nepal. For those not well-versed in Buddhist art, a thangka is a painting on a cotton or silk appliquéd. If nothing else, it makes for much more interesting wall flair than just a picture of the harbor.



281 Shanghai St., Yau Ma Tei.

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### Au Lee Cheung Knife Store (區利昌刀庄)

Over 40 years old, this little shop's walls are covered floor-to-ceiling with knives, cleavers, scissors and anything else you'd need if you were a murderer. If, however, you're not a sociopath and are just looking to find a high-quality kitchen knife, then you could fulfill that need here, too.



297 Shanghai St., Yau Ma Tei, 2771-0871.

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### Dong Fong Wood Carving (東方木器彫刻)

Hundreds of beautifully crafted figures spill onto the street at this tiny shop full of shrines. Squeeze between them to check out all of the ornate detail. If you've never felt claustrophobic while having the eyes of a hundred Chinese deities stare into your soul, then you've never been here.



311 Shanghai St., Yau Ma Tei.

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### Chan Chi Kee Cutlery Co.

If, for whatever reason, you need to supply an entire kitchen with kitchenware in two hours, this is the place for you. For specialty cleavers, professional knife sharpening, pots big enough to bathe in and more, Chan Chi Kee has you covered.



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### Woodwork Professor

From rice buckets to ladles to beautifully intricate mooncake molds, Woodwork Professor stocks well-made wooden kitchenware of all kinds.



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## UPCLOSE: TIFFANY PINKSTONE

**Tiffany Pinkstone** is the director of the Sovereign Art Foundation, which holds the annual Sovereign Asian Art Prize. Every year the foundation auctions off the work of the prize's finalists and proceeds go to their Make It Better campaign, which provides arts therapy to disadvantaged children in Hong Kong. Pinkstone tells Jessica Wei about the foundation and the benefits of encouraging arts therapy in the community.



### HK Magazine: So how does the Sovereign Art Foundation work?

**Tiffany Pinkstone:** We were set up in 2003, which is when I joined. There are two main aims: To recognize and support mid-career artists from the region, and to raise as much money as we can for charity. The two go very much hand-in-hand because we run the art prize, which is where we find the artists, and then we auction those pieces to raise money for charity. So the artists get 50 percent and the charity gets 50 percent.

### HK: How do you usually find the artists?

**TP:** We have a panel of nominators who are made up of independent curators, from art critics and professors to museum directors and curators. We usually have about 300-odd entries, and they get narrowed down to the top 30 by a panel of independent judges. We'll have our fundraiser on June 3, where we'll announce our first prize winner, and then we'll have the auction [at] Christie's.

### HK: What exactly is your charitable work?

**TP:** Last year, we took the bull by the horns and decided to create our own grassroots program. We hired some arts teachers and a program manager to develop arts therapy based workshops for disadvantaged children around Hong Kong. We now run seven weekly workshops and we've partnered with the University of Hong Kong. Students who are studying arts therapy come to our workshops, sit with the teachers and help us fine-tune the program so we can best suit the needs of the children.

### HK: Where are your centers located?

**TP:** There are two centers in Sham Shui Po, and they serve economically disadvantaged kids. A lot of these children come from migrant families: their parents might be illegal immigrants. But we also run programs in schools in Tseung Kwan O and Kowloon City which cater towards children with autism and severe ADHD. Those classes are a lot smaller. We also have a program in Tai Wai and Wong Tai Sin.

### HK: How do your workshops differ between the different groups?

**TP:** I think the themes remain the same, but the attention we give the children is different. The kind of themes we run are about awareness of self. It starts with a program called "I, Me and Myself," and we look into the community in which they live. We take them on a little excursion around their area. Then we get them to work in groups to create a model of what their ideal community would be. But we also take them out to country parks, where some of these children have never been. We'll make sculptures with pieces of leaves and twigs. It's to give them added exposure [to the world] as well as getting them to think more about themselves, to help them build up their confidence.

### HK: What benefits have you seen?

**TP:** Take our classes in Kowloon City—there are 10 children in that class with autism, and just by providing a structure you can see it really helps them focus. What we'd like to do next is try to bring the caregiver in to these classes. A lot of these children come from poor homes and their caregiver might not know how to deal with them and their issues. We'd like to bring some of these exercises back into the home, so they can apply these principles to help their child.

**See the finalists' work and cast your vote for the prizewinner at the Sovereign Art Foundation's opening party on May 24, 7pm. The Rotunda, One Exchange Square, 8 Connaught Place, Central. The art auction will be held on June 3 at the Four Seasons Hong Kong. sovereignartfoundation.com**



"The Cotton Angel" by Imhathai Suwathanasup

## Concerts

### Metro Vocal Group: No Borders

A capella has swept the world, and it's probably the fault of "Glee" and "Pitch Perfect." Four-man aca-semble Metro Vocal Group will be hitting Hong Kong as part of their Asian tour, bringing with them aca-rangements of hits by Bruno Mars and Lady Gaga, and even some Chinese pop songs. Get excited: it's going to be aca-amazing. May 25, 8pm. Concert Hall, City Hall, 5 Edinburgh Place, Central, rphoarts.com. \$150-500 from urbtix.hk.

### Paris Combo with SIU2

Paris Combo, a French cabaret and pop fusion group which mixes elements of gypsy music and Latin and Middle-Eastern rhythms, is bringing their unique sonic blend to Hong Kong. They've added extra fusion to their tunes by reinterpreting some of their repertoire with guest performers SIU2, a Hong Kong group which combine Chinese traditional instruments with Western guitar and drums. May 20, 21, 8pm. Amphitheatre, Academy for Performing Arts, 1 Gloucester Rd., Wan Chai, \$180-480 from hkticketing.com.

## Classical



### The Philadelphia Orchestra

From Philly to Hong Kong, the renowned Philadelphia Orchestra is in town for two nights. The program includes Brahms' Symphony No. 2 and Beethoven's String Quartet in F minor "Serioso." We're hoping for a teamup with the HK Phil, so it'll be an HK-Philly-HK-Phil gig. May 19-20, 8pm. Concert Hall, Cultural Centre, 10 Salisbury Rd., Tsim Sha Tsui, \$300-1,250 from urbtix.hk.

### Wu Chun-hei Plays Suona and Guan

Settle in for a night of traditional Chinese instrumental music. Suona and guan virtuoso Wu Chun-hei plays a variety of pieces to highlight these two unique Chinese reed instruments. The program will also include pieces played on the guzheng (the plucked instrument), dizi (bamboo flute), bass guan and more. May 22, 8pm. Theatre, City Hall, 5 Edinburgh Place, Central, 2268-7321. \$120-160 from urbtix.hk.

### Stephen Hough Piano Recital

British pianist and composer Stephen Hough is one of the few living musicians to have been awarded a MacArthur "Genius Grant." He returns to Hong Kong to debut his own piece, "Third Sonata," and plays selections from Schubert, Liszt and Franck. May 30, 8pm. Concert Hall, City Hall, 5 Edinburgh Place, Central, pphk.org. \$80-580 from urbtix.hk.

### Violinist Vilde Frang Plays Benjamin Britten

Norwegian violinist Vilde Frang makes her Hong Kong debut at the Hong Kong Sinfonietta with the collaboration of British conductor Matthew Halls. They'll be playing Benjamin Britten's "Peter Grimes: Four Sea Interludes" as well as Haydn's "L'Isola Disabata Overture" and his Symphony No 96, "Miracle." May 14, 8pm. Concert Hall, City Hall, 5 Edinburgh Place, Central, hksl.org. \$140-340 from urbtix.hk.

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### HK Phil Presents Scheherazade

Get ready to be slapped in the face by two of the "Mighty Handful"—Russia's answer to the Romantics. Under David Atherton's baton, the Hong Kong Philharmonic will be playing selections including Polovtsian Dances from Borodin's "Prince Igor," and Shostakovich's mighty Cello Concerto No.1 led by Jing Zhao, one of China's fastest rising cellists. They round off the show with Rimsky-Korsakov's "Scheherazade" from the epic tale, "1001 Nights." May 27-28, 8pm. Hong Kong Cultural Centre, 10 Salisbury Rd., Tsim Sha Tsui, hkphil.org. \$180-480 from urbtix.hk.



## Comedy

### 2 Tall 2 Skinny Stand-Up

The Fringe Upstairs is about to get a belly full of laughs thanks to two of Hong Kong's leading local comedians. Chris Musni and Gus Tate will each deliver two half-hours of their own brand of observational comedy: No small feat in a town of five-minute-long joke sets. May 13-14, 8pm. Fringe Club, 2 Lower Albert Rd., Central. \$100 from www.hkticketing.com.

## Dance

### La Partida

Flamenco dancer Adrian Santana returns to Hong Kong for a one-night performance of his new show, "La Partida" ("departure"). Santana depicts his personal experiences of both Spain and Asia, through the medium of dance.

Performing in collaboration with both Spanish and Hong Kong dancers and musicians, this is looking like one multicultural passion-fest. May 14, 8pm. Y-Theatre, Youth Square, 238 Chai Wan Rd., Chai Wan. \$280-\$450 from ticketflap.com.



### Cinderella: A Neo-Classical Production

In Thierry Malandain's contemporary ballet reimagining of the classic folk tale, Cinderella gets recast as a rising, dancing star. This minimalist production balances ballet with a hint of burlesque, all set to the score of Prokofiev's original 1944 opus. Jun 1-2, 7:30pm. Grand Theatre, Cultural Centre, 10 Salisbury Rd., Tsim Sha Tsui, 2016.frenchmay.com. \$120-480 from urbtix.hk.

## Theater



### 4.48 Psychosis

The play "4.48 Psychosis" was completed just months before its British playwright Sarah Kane's suicide, and was performed shortly thereafter. Her suffering resulted in a true-to-life interpretation of clinical depression that's now performed globally. Don't miss Bonnie Chan's self-directed performance at Theatre du Pif. May 12-15, 8:30pm. Studio Theatre, Cultural Centre, 10 Salisbury Rd., Tsim Sha Tsui, 2111-5999. thtdupif.com. \$160-240 through urbtix.hk.

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## Exhibitions



### Streetease Exhibition by Mr. Brainwash and SEEN

Since a humble start in back alleys and subways, street art has been elevated to its own, highly sought after artistic movement. The walls of Opera Gallery, which have previously held by Chagall and Picasso, will be graced by the canvases of two of the best known street artists around: the controversial Mr. Brainwash from LA and long-time New York veteran, SEEN. Through May 26. Opera Gallery Hong Kong, G/F-3/F, W Place, 52 Wyndham St., Central, 2810-1208. [operagallery.com/ang/asia/hong-kong.html](http://operagallery.com/ang/asia/hong-kong.html).



### Janet Pancho Gupta Photography Exhibit

Hong Kong photographer Janet Pancho Gupta invites you to see the city through her camera lens, from dazzlingly surreal macro shots to her stark, black-and-white captures of everyday life. Through Jun 4. Culture Club Gallery, 15 Elgin St., Central, [janetpanchoguptafineart.com](http://janetpanchoguptafineart.com).



### Remplir Les Blancs French Salon

Transport yourself, briefly, to an artistic Parisian salon. For Le French May, artist Emily Chau and musician Zoe Kwok have teamed up for a music and art exhibition, featuring sketches and art that evoke lively Parisian street scenes: open-air cafes, bookstores, park life and more. May 28-Jun 9, 2pm. Concert: May 28, 7:00. Running Horse Lantern, 2/F, 204 Prince Edward Rd. West, Prince Edward, [emilychau.com](http://emilychau.com). \$120 at the door.

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# NIGHTLIFE

## OPEN BAR MAISON EIGHT

**The buzz:** Maison Eight is the first Asian venture by UK-based Italian mixologist Salvatore Calabrese. He's considered the godfather of the cocktail world, and is known for superlatives like creating the world's oldest drink (made of rare fine liquors) and the world's most expensive cocktail at The Playboy Club in Mayfair—so you get an idea of what Maison Eight is going for. It's a multi-concept entertainment venue: A dining room, called "Esmé," a jazz ballroom-slash-club with private terrace ("The Ballroom"), a bar ("Salvatore") and a private dining venue, as well as boasting the first ever Bollinger Champagne Room ("Le Club 1829").

**The décor:** In the spacious main room which makes up Salvatore and The Ballroom, baller details are everywhere you look: from the elaborate chandeliered ceiling to the booth sofas that recall luxury limousines. At the bar, we were impressed with the artful glass bar top, cut in layered waves to look like the harbor—complementing the 360-degree view of the skyline, which you can peek at even behind the bar.

**The drinks:** There's a long, fully featured cocktail list, a combined effort of Salvatore and his protégé Fabien Marcault, who runs the bar in Hong Kong. From Salvatore's list, the Spicy Fifty (\$98) is popular, for good reason: using vanilla vodka and elderflower cordial, it's deeply aromatic, not too sweet, and ends with a nicely rounded, light sizzle of chili. One of Marcault's popular

concoctions is the Zen Cha (\$108—pictured), which folds together the grassy refreshing notes of basil and green tea with the tart, moreish flavor of lemongrass-infused Absolut Elyx and pineapple juice. Our favorite of the night was the Smokey Hong Kong (\$108): a smoky blend made with Chivas 12-year and Ardbeg 10-year whiskies, and honey-infused Lapsang Souchong tea. Order the Remember the Maine No. 2 (\$118) if you're looking to impress: They first wash a small wooden barrel with a mix of berries, port and vinegar, then add the cocktail ingredients—bourbon, vermouth, a secret Amaro mix and more—before leaving it to rest for two months. It's an intense drink that brings out the port flavor nicely, with a light herby aftertaste thanks to the vermouth.

**Why you'll be back:** The bar at Maison Eight is surprisingly unpretentious, with very reasonable pricing for drinks that show such attention to detail, amazing surroundings and delicious bar snacks (try the lobster burger (\$148), which features a meaty beast of a lobster patty). Pull up a chair on the terrace, sit back to enjoy the live jazz, and watch the harbor lights flicker away.

Evelyn Lok  
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### A Night with Gaby Endo

Spend a night with Brazilian-Japanese model-turned DJ Gaby Endo: A night dancing in front of her booth that is. If you love the chill vibes of the Rewind rooftop parties, you'll love Endo's latin-infused rhythms at Studio. May 14, 11:30pm. Studio, 1/F, On Hing Building, 1 On Hing Terrace, Central. Free, reserve from [GabyEndo.pelago.events](http://GabyEndo.pelago.events).

### Studio Presents: Moon Boots

Want to bounce and boogie to underground disco and R'n'B? Kooky US DJ Moon Boots claims to be a sentient shoe left over from 80s Cape Canaveral. But crazy or not, he'll get your weekend kickstarted. May 13, 11pm. Studio, 1/F, On Hing Building, 1 On Hing Terrace, Central. Free, reserve from [MoonBoots.pelago.events](http://MoonBoots.pelago.events).

### Studio Presents: Autograf

Artist-turned-DJ-trio Jake Carpenter, Louis Kha and Mikul Wing bring their signature dreamy house and visual art-influenced tunes to Studio. May 20, 11:30pm. Studio, 1/F, On Hing Building, 1 On Hing Terrace, Central. Free, reserve from [Autograph.pelago.events](http://Autograph.pelago.events).

## Clubs

### DJ Revolution:

#### Dimitri Vegas and Like Mike

Electro nuts all better sit down, because DJ legends Dimitri Vegas and Like Mike are hitting up AsiaWorld-Expo this Spring. They're number 1 on DJ Magazine's list of top 100 DJs—but you already knew that, didn't you? May 20, 8pm. Hall 10, AsiaWorld-Expo, Hong Kong International Airport, Chek Lap Kok. \$580-900 from [hkticketing.com](http://hkticketing.com).

### Joris Voorn at Tasmania Ballroom

Get your fix of Dutch tech house at Taz Ballroom this May from Amsterdam native Joris Voorn. May 13, 10pm. Tasmania Ballroom, 1/F, LKF Tower, 33 Wyndham St., Central. \$300 at the door.



### Volar x Love & Beats Present Nakadia

From humble beginnings in a rural village in Koh Samui to international DJ star, self-made Thai EDM princess Nakadia will be working the turntables with her deep house, tech house and techno sounds at Volar. May 27, 10pm. Volar, B/F, 38-44 D'Aguilar St., Central. \$250 from [ticketflap.com/nakadia](http://ticketflap.com/nakadia), entry before 12:30am with two drinks, or one drink thereafter; \$300 at the door before 12:30am, \$350 thereafter, both with two drinks.

### Fly Presents Slax Trax

#### 2nd Anniversary with Janette Slack

Hot off a collab with Cantopop superstar Sandy Lam, international DJ Janette Slack celebrates her second year back in Hong Kong this May, supported by Darryl Griggs, Too Much, DJ Cyrus and Charlie Kwenta. May 14, 10pm. Fly, G/F, 24-30 Ice House St., Central. \$300 at the door with two drinks and two shots.

## Concerts

### Super Junior Super Camp

K-pop gods Super Junior, all 57 of them (kidding: there are only 13, but seven of them are currently serving in the army), head to Macau's Studio City for a mini concert to meet the fans and to celebrate their 10-year career. For the superfans who care: Leeteuk, Heechul, Yesung, Kangin, Ryeowook and Kyuhyun will be making appearances. All tickets are seated. Will you be able to stay in your seat? May 28, 8pm. Studio City Event Center, Studio City Macau, Estrada do Istmo, Cotai, Macau, \$580-1,580 from [aegticticketing.com](http://aegticticketing.com), [studiocity-macau.com](http://studiocity-macau.com) or [hkticketing.com](http://hkticketing.com).

### Rain: The Squall

It's rainy season, and our sister SAR is bringing in the stormy weather with the King of K-pop himself, Rain. Part of his first world tour in years, Rain will be slicking the Venetian stage for one night only with his famous dance skills, smooth pipes—and washboard abs—before heading off to Japan, Europe and the US. Jun 4, 8pm. CotaArena, The Venetian Macao, \$380-1,680 (VIP) from [hkticketing.com](http://hkticketing.com). Add \$108 for a round trip Cotai Water Jet ferry ticket between Hong Kong and Macau.



### Charlie Lim & the Mothership

Don't let this unassuming Singaporean dude fool you. indie singer-songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Charlie Lim has been building up a name for himself ever since last year's double EP release, "Time/Space." He was even seen jamming with Hong Kong star Khalil Fong back in January. Don't miss his eclectic blend of indie pop, folk, R'n'B, electronic and acoustic tunes when he plays Hong Kong in May. May 22, 7pm. Hang Out, 1/F, Youth Outreach Jockey Club, 2 Holy Cross Path, Sai Wan Ho. \$280 from [charlielim.pelago.events](http://charlielim.pelago.events); \$300 at the door.

## Gigs

### The Underground 118: Rock Night

The Underground brings a sampling of Hong Kong's best rock bands to Orange Peel. Opening for the evening are arcade rockers The Sleeves, followed by some melodic alternative rock from Still Mind—a band apparently formed by famous Hong Kong musicians who prefer to stay anonymous on paper. Hong Kong rock vets Shotgun Politics will also be making an appearance, before the night rounds out with indie rockers Dowa Towa. May 19, 8pm. Orange Peel, 2/F, 38-44 D'Aguilar St., Central, \$90 in advance from [undergroundhk.com](http://undergroundhk.com) or Orange Peel, \$120 at the door; both include one drink.

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## Festivals



### Clockenflap 2016

It's not even midway through the year. But this year's initial Clockenflap lineup has already been announced, and luckily for you, you can grab early bird tickets from now through May 19, so you don't have to perform some blood voodoo magic to afford it later. While last year hipster kids went wild over New Order and The Libertines, this year they can shed a happy tear to the sweeping sounds of Icelandic post-rock giants Sigur Rós, as well as other alt and indie giants such as Foals and José Gonzalez, before going nuts with the insanity that is Crystal Castles. This year, Clockenflap uproots from its West Kowloon home to head to the New Central Harbourfront for the first time. Fewer trees for canoodling, but bigger sounds? We're cool with that. Nov 25-27. Central Harbourfront Event Space, 9 Lung Wo Rd., Central. (Early bird) \$720-780 for single day entry, \$1,280 for weekend pass from [clockenflap.com](http://clockenflap.com).

## Nightlife Events

### Rum & Bass Season Opener 2016

It's officially sweaty weather, which also means it's finally junk season in Hong Kong. What better way to cool off than at the first Rum & Bass party junk of the season? Two junks will be hooked up to hold 100 party people, pumping DJ tunes featuring Charlie Kwenta and Bump DJs J Smythe and Zelazowski, free flow booze—with rum cocktails from Rummin' Tings—and waterslides! May 14, 10am. \$750 from [rumandbass.pelago.events](http://rumandbass.pelago.events) or by bank transfer, contact 6010-3770 for more info.



### Pacha Macau Presents: Summer Love Pool Party

Superclub Pacha Macau is hosting a series of tropical themed pool parties at Studio City's massive outdoor pool (fitting 1,800) this summer, and the first one in June will feature a headlining act from entrepreneur and celebrity icon, Paris Hilton herself. The pool events will continue into the night with an after-party at Pacha, after 10pm. Jun 11, 2:30pm. Studio City Macau, Estrada do Istmo, Cotai, Macau, \$350 early bird tickets to \$450 from [studiocity-macau.com](http://studiocity-macau.com). Admission and after-party, cabana and hotel stay packages available.



### Tegan and Sara

Indie rock fans are in luck, because the Grammy-nominated twin sisters are back in town! After a fantastic set at Clockenflap in 2013 and hot on the heels of their eighth album release this coming June, Canadian indie queens Tegan and Sara return to the city for a one-night-only concert at KITEC. Jul 28, 8pm. Rotunda 3, KITEC, 1 Trademark Drive, Kowloon Bay, \$588 from [hkticketing.com](http://hkticketing.com) (all standing).



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## Race ★★★★

(USA/Germany/Canada). Drama. Directed by Stephen Hopkins. Starring Stephan James and Jason Sudeikis. Category IIA. 134 minutes. Opened May 5.

Sports movies are always more exciting to watch than the games they're based on. If you hate baseball, the least effective way to capture your interest is having to sit through an actual baseball game. But you'll probably still enjoy "Field of Dreams" or "A League of Their Own" for all the narrative gaps they fill between innings: There's the hero's journey, a clear opponent, flashy action shots, swelling music, moments of tension and a crucial final tie-breaker. And if "Race" was just about a fast dude with a title to win and some goons to take down, then it would be a pretty exciting track and field flick.

But "Race" is about Jesse Owens, the legendary African-American track star whose story is as inspiring and motivational as it gets: Born in 1913 in Alabama and growing up in a racially segregated America, he overcomes every possible adversity, winning four gold medals at the 1936 Olympic Games—in front of Adolf Hitler, no less. "Race" has big themes to deal with. A regular old sports flick doesn't quite cut it.

We meet Owens (Stephan James, "Selma"), at his family home in the 1930s. He's an affable guy in small-town Ohio with an aw-shucks shrug and love for his working class family. The first of his clan to go to college, on a running scholarship to the less-than-liberal Ohio State University, he is quickly noticed by the coach, Larry Snyder (SNL's Jason Sudeikis). There's racial hostility: some ribbing, some guys throwing around the word "monkey" a couple of times, but it gets shut down pretty quickly by Snyder. Owens goes on to win big, setting three world records and tying a fourth in a single race meet. He wins



bigger. He competes at the Olympics. The rest: history.

Watching "Race," you get the distinct impression that it's the kind of movie that teachers play to their private school students to explain American history. But the film takes all of the nuance—and reality—out of these teachable themes, replacing them instead with convenient narrative beats. It teaches us that racial segregation at its worst is when athletes are withdrawn from competition, or when locker room trash talk gets a little uncomfortable. It teaches us that racism can be solved with a white savior. In "Race," there is no violence, only the suggestion of violence: Coach Snyder accidentally catching glimpse of a group of Jews herded into the back of a truck; Owens getting a little abrasive trying to explain some childhood memories. But before these moments settle,

they're quickly shuffled off by more sports movie crescendoing. The music swells, the crowd's on their feet and man, when Jesse's up in the air, he's really soaring!

Like a cheap seafood buffet, you feel great when consuming "Race," but after you leave, the discomfort starts. You realize that the writing is clichéd and the direction is heavy-handed, taking superficial visual cues from film noir, German expressionism and the American jazz age—but it all looks overdone and obvious. Meanwhile, the Holocaust seems like a mere inconvenience, rather than the lowest point in humanity. "Race" is a fun sports movie, especially if you don't care about sports. But as a biopic and as socio-political commentary, it's at best naïve—and at worst, a betrayal of legendary figure.

**Jessica Wei**

## Coming Soon

### What a Wonderful Family!

(Japan) Twenty years after making his last comedy film, Yamada Yoji returns with the 49th installment in the "Tora-san" series about a romantically inept traveling merchant. In this movie, an aging couple surprises their three grown children with news of their divorce. Opens May 19.

### X-Men: Apocalypse ▾

(USA) This sequel to "Days of Future Past" returns to 1973, and this time the gifted youngsters have to battle an ancient and powerful mutant (Oscar Isaac), who is set on (what else) destroying humanity. Also stars Michael Fassbender, James McAvoy, J.Law, and Rose Byrne. Opens May 19.

## Opening

### Bad Neighbors 2

(USA) If you saw the first "Bad Neighbors" and thought to yourself, "Man, that was phenomenal, but I really want to see that again, but with sorority sisters and Lisa Kudrow for some reason!" then congratulations: Christmas has come early this year for you, weirdo. Opens May 12.

### Chongqing Hot Pot

(China) What begins as a bank heist by four amateur robbers turns into a labyrinthine tour through subterranean Chongqing, a trip down memory lane, a damsel in career-distress, and a showdown with the real pros. This screwball caper stars Bai Baihe ("Go Away Mr. Tumor") and Chen Kun ("Let the Bullets Fly"). Opened May 12.

### The Inerasable

(Japan) Keeping with Japan's tradition of slow-burning, bone-rattling horror films, "The Inerasable" follows a novelist as she investigates the case of a student who hears strange noises coming from an empty room in an otherwise perfectly ordinary house. Opened May 12.



### The Lobster

(Ireland/UK/Greece) In a city in the ambiguous future, single people are given 45 days to find a partner or they're forced to turn into animals and are released into the wild. It is in this chaos that newly arrived David (Colin Farrell) has to get over his former love and start anew. Also stars Rachel Weisz and John C. Reilly. Opened May 12.

### Money Monster

(USA) Economic disparity is the theme of this Jodie Foster-directed suspense film. A financial TV presenter (George Clooney) is taken hostage by blue-collar viewer (Jack O'Connell, "Unbroken") who lost all his money on a bad tip. Features Julia Roberts and a soundtrack by Bruce Springsteen. Opened May 13.

## Continuing

### 10 Cloverfield Lane

(USA) This loose sequel to 2008's "Cloverfield" herds Mary Elizabeth Winstead, John Goodman and John Gallagher Jr. into a post-apocalyptic bunker and dares them to consider an outside world where everyone is dead. A valiant effort with a lackluster ending, this thriller keeps you at the edge of your seat without blowing you away. ★★★

### Book of Love

(China) In the second installment of the phenomenally successful "Beijing Meets Seattle" franchise, the two leads Tang Wei and Wu Xiubo reprise their roles as star-crossed lovers—but this time they live in Los Angeles and Macau, respectively. Will they or won't they get together in the end? They probably will, but certainly not without some high-flying skyline porn.

### The Boy

(USA/China/Canada) Old tropes die hard for a reason, and that reason is that people will never not be freaked out by three things: dolls that come to life, mysterious messages on the wall written in blood, and deadpan British children. Horror veteran William Brent Bell ("Stay Alive," "The Devil Inside") directs this thriller starring Lauren Cohan ("The Walking Dead") as a nanny to an English family's porcelain doll, which goes, inevitably, from weird to murderous.



### Captain America: Civil War

(USA) The gang's back together, and by "together," we mean, separated into two factions and in debate about whether a rag-tag group of ass-kicking, superhuman misfits with megawatt smiles should have more government intervention or less. A well-developed narrative and explosive inter-Avengers fight sequences make this an elevated, exciting comic book movie. ★★★★

### The Dressmaker

(Australia) Tilly Dunnage (Kate Winslet) is a couturier in the 50s who returns to her provincial Australian childhood home to take care of her ailing mother. Having been accused of murder as a child and exiled at an early age, she's back to find the truth and get revenge on her accusers, armed with... a sewing machine?

### Hardcore Henry

(Russia/USA) Video gamers won't know what to do with their hands when they sit down to watch "Hardcore Henry," a first-person-shooter movie filmed almost entirely on a GoPro worn like a mask on Henry—a newly resurrected cyber-soldier with no memory of his past life. A cool idea, but it's more like watching someone play "Call of Duty" than a good movie. ★★

### The Himalayas

(South Korea) Two South Korean mountaineers (played by Jung Woo and Kim In-kwon) are lifelong trekkers who must scale Everest to retrieve the body of a stranded teammate under evermore forbidding circumstances.

### In the Room

(Hong Kong/Singapore) Billed as Singapore's first erotic movie, "In The Room" spans six decades and centers around a single room in a Singaporean hotel and its various inhabitants: Six couples of all orientations and backgrounds. Stars Josie Ho as brothel madam who's all about the female empowerment.

### The Kid from the Big Apple

(Malaysia/Hong Kong/Singapore) A lot of people will recognize this story of an assimilated, second-generation Asian kid who goes back to the old country and deepens her cultural awareness of her roots. Stars legendary Shaw Brothers veteran Ti Lung as a conservative grandfather and Malaysian newcomer Tan Qin Lin as Sarah, the kid in question.



### Life

(Canada/USA) This biopic of James Dean by Anton Corbijn ("A Most Wanted Man") centers on Dean (Dane DeHaan) and photographer Dennis Stock (Robert Pattinson) and their unexpected friendship while they travel the USA shooting a now iconic Life magazine spread. A gorgeous film but ultimately lacking, "Life" seems better viewed in photos than on screen. ★★

# HOT PICKS

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### Marguerite

(France/Czech Republic) In the sumptuous era of Paris in the 1920s, one voice rings clearly and tunelessly out into aghast concert halls. It is that of Marguerite (Catherine Frot, "Haute Cuisine"), a wealthy socialite who has no idea how terribly incapable she is of carrying an aria yet insists on finding bigger and bigger stages to perform on.

### Microbe & Gasoline

(France) In this French-language film from Michel Gondry ("Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind," "The Green Hornet") two awkward teen boys in Versailles decide that the solution to all their teenage hardships is to build a car out of a lawnmower engine and a few planks and hit the road. Stars the always lovable Audrey Tautou.



### Mustang

(Turkey) A group of sisters in a conservative town live under strict house arrest by their grandparents: Taken out of school, they're taught to sew, cook, and perform other domestic tasks as they wait for marriage. But as time wears on, the sisters start to plan their escape.

### My Mother

(Italy) In "Mia Madre," a movie director on the verge of a nervous breakdown must balance her hectic life with her mother's illness and daughter's adolescence. This Italian film features John Turturro as a pain-in-the-neck American actor.



### The Propaganda Game

(Spain) With the guidance of Alejandro Cao de Benós, the only foreign employee of the North Korean government, director Álvaro Longoria delivers a unique and surprising documentary all about how information is manipulated—both inside and outside North Korea. Depicting the DPRK with a rarely seen playfulness thanks to interviews with unreliable narrators, Longoria leaves us with a distinct feeling of unease. Opened May 5 at the Broadway Cinematheque. ★★★★

### Race

(Canada/Germany/USA) See review, opposite.



Catch "Purple Rain" at the Hong Kong Open Air Cinema Club

## Special Screening

### "Purple Rain" Presented by the Hong Kong Open Air Cinema Club

Honor the sweet, sweet memory of His Royal Badness (RIP) with a screening of his Academy Award-winning rock musical, "Purple Rain." This quasi-biographical film takes viewers back to the seedy Minneapolis clubs that Prince reigned over, and punctuates moments of heartbreak, family drama and young adulthood with his now illustrious soundtrack of the same name. Wear your most ornate jacket, hit The Hive and let's go crazy. May 20, 6:30pm. The Hive, 21/F, The Phoenix Building, 23 Luard Rd., Wan Chai, \$120 includes two drinks at purplerain.pelago.events.

## Film Festival

### Trick Factory—German Animation Film Festival

Before Walt Disney, there was Lotte Reiniger. The German animator's style silhouetted her characters against dream-like backgrounds and swelling, symphonic scores. For over 60 years she paved the way for animators across the world. Get intimate with **German animation at the Goethe-Institut**: They've created 14 programs focusing on everything from contemporary animated films to German fairy tales, animated films in the Nazi period and plenty of Lotte Reiniger. Through Nov 11. Comix Home Base, 7 Mallory St., Wan Chai, goethe.de/hongkong. Free.

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## TAURUS (Apr 20-May 20): "Creativity is intelligence having fun."

Approximately 30,000 sites on the Internet attribute that quote to iconic genius Albert Einstein. But my research strongly suggests that he did not actually say that. Who did? It doesn't matter. For the purposes of this horoscope, there are just two essential points to concentrate on. First, for the foreseeable future, your supreme law of life should be "creativity is intelligence having fun." Second, it's not enough to cavort and play and improvise, and it's not enough to be discerning and shrewd and observant. Be all those things.

**GEMINI (May 21-Jun 20):** In Western culture, the peacock is a symbol of vanity. When we see the bird display its stunning array of iridescent feathers, we might think it's lovely, but may also mutter, "What a show-off." But other traditions have treated the peacock as a more purely positive emblem: an embodiment of hard-won and triumphant radiance. In Tibetan Buddhist myths, for example, its glorious plumage is said to be derived from its transmutation of the poisons it absorbs when it devours dangerous serpents. This version of the peacock is your power animal for now, Gemini. Take full advantage of your ability to convert noxious situations and fractious emotions into beautiful assets.

**CANCER (Jun 21-Jul 22):** "Clear moments are so short," opines poet Adam Zagajewski. "There is much more darkness. More ocean than terra firma. More shadow than form." Here's what I have to say about that: Even if it does indeed describe the course of ordinary life for most people, it does not currently apply to you. On the contrary. You're in a phase that will bring an unusually high percentage of lucidity. The light shining from your eyes and the thoughts coalescing in your brain will be extra pure and bright. In the world around you, there may be occasional patches of chaos and confusion, but your luminosity will guide you through them.

**LEO (Jul 23-Aug 22):** "Dear Smart Operator: My name is Captain Jonathan Orances. I presently serve in the United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan. I am asking for your help with the safekeeping of a trunk containing funds in the amount of \$7.9 million, which I secured during our team's raid of a poppy farmer in Kandahar Province. The plan is to ship this box to Luxembourg, and from there a diplomat will deliver it to your designated location. When I return home on leave, I will take possession of the trunk. You will be rewarded handsomely for your assistance. If you can be trusted, send me your details. Best regards, Captain Jonathan Orances." You may receive a tempting but risky offer like this in the near future, Leo. I suggest you turn it down. If you do, I bet a somewhat less interesting but far less risky offer will come your way.

**VIRGO (Aug 23-Sep 22):** "Some things need to be fixed, others to be left broken," writes poet James Richardson. The coming weeks will be an ideal time for you to make final decisions

about which are which in your own life. Are there relationships and dreams and structures that are either too damaged to salvage or undeserving of your hard labor? Consider the possibility that you will abandon them for good. Are there relationships and dreams and structures that are cracked, but possible to repair and worthy of your diligent love? Make a plan to revive or reinvent them.

**LIBRA (Sep 23-Oct 22):** Once every year, it is healthy and wise to make an ultimate confession—to express everything you regret and bemoan in one cathartic swoop, and then be free of its subliminal nagging for another year. The coming days will be a perfect time to do this. For inspiration, read an excerpt from Jeanann Verne's "Genetics of Regret": "I'm sorry I lied. Sorry I drew the picture of the dead cat. I'm sorry about the stolen tampons and the nest of mice in the stove. I'm sorry about the slashed window screens. I'm sorry it took 36 years to say this. Sorry that all I can do is worry what happens next. Sorry for the weevils and the dead grass. Sorry I vomited in the wash drain. Sorry I left. Sorry I came back. I'm sorry it comes like this. Flood and undertow."

**SCORPIO (Oct 23-Nov 21):** According to the British podcast series "No Such Thing as a Fish," there were only a few satisfying connubial relationships in late 18th-century England. One publication at that time declared that of the country's 872,564 married couples, just nine were truly happy. I wonder if the percentage is higher for modern twosomes. Whether it is or not, I have good news: My reading of the astrological omens suggests that you Scorpios will have an unusually good chance of cultivating vibrant intimacy in the coming weeks. Take advantage of this grace period, please!

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov 22-Dec 21):** "Some days I feel like playing it smooth," says a character in Raymond Chandler's short story "Trouble Is My Business," "and some days I feel like playing it like a waffle iron." I suspect that you Sagittarians will be in the latter phase until at least May 24. It won't be prime time for silky strategies and glossy gambits and velvety victories. You'll be better able to take advantage of fate's fabulous farces if you're geared up for edgy lessons and checkered challenges and intricate motifs.

**CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 19):** Author Rebecca Solnit says that when she pictures herself as she was at age 15, "I see flames shooting up, see



myself falling off the edge of the world, and am amazed I survived not the outside world but the inside one." Let that serve as an inspiration, Capricorn. Now is an excellent time for you to celebrate the heroic, messy, improbable victories of your past. You are ready and ripe to honor the crazy intelligence and dumb luck that guided you as you fought to overcome seemingly insurmountable obstacles. You have a right and a duty to congratulate yourself for the suffering you have escaped and inner demons you have vanquished.

**AQUARIUS (Jan 20-Feb 19):** "To regain patience, learn to love the sour, the bitter, the salty, the clear." The poet James Richardson wrote that wry advice, and now I'm passing it on to you. Why now? Because if you enhance your appreciation for the sour, the bitter, the salty, and the clear, you will not only regain patience, but also generate unexpected opportunities. You will tonify your mood, beautify your attitude, and deepen your gravitas. So I hope you will invite and welcome the lumpy and the dappled, my dear. I hope you'll seek out the tangy, the smoldering, the soggy, the spunky, the chirpy, the gritty, and an array of other experiences you may have previously kept at a distance.

**PISCES (Feb 18-Mar 20):** "A thousand half-loves must be forsaken to take one whole heart home." That's from a Coleman Barks' translation of a poem by the 13th-century Islamic scholar and mystic known as Rumi. I regard this epigram as a key theme for you during the next 12 months. You will be invited to shed a host of wishy-washy wishes so as to become strong and smart enough to go in quest of a very few burning, churning yearnings. Are you ready to sacrifice the mediocre in service to the sublime?

**ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 19):** Russian writer Anton Chekhov was renowned for the crisp, succinct style of his short stories and plays. As he evolved, his pithiness grew. "I now have a mania for shortness," he wrote. "Whatever I read—my own work, or other people's—it all seems to me not short enough." I propose that we make Chekhov your patron saint for a while. According to my analysis of the astrological omens, you are in a phase when your personal power feeds on terse efficiency. You thrive on being vigorously concise and deftly focused and cheerfully devoted to the crux of every matter.

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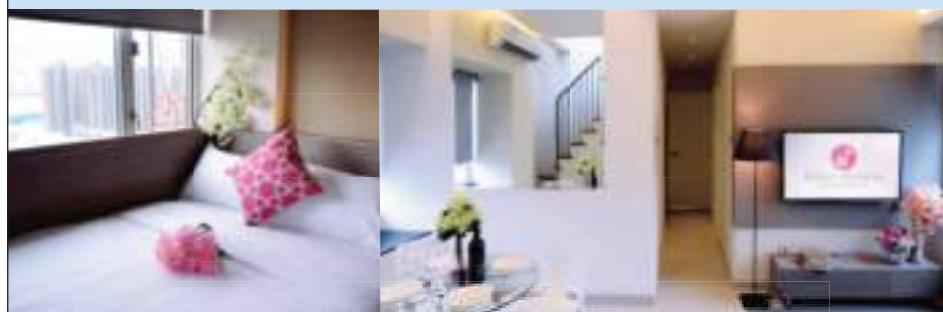


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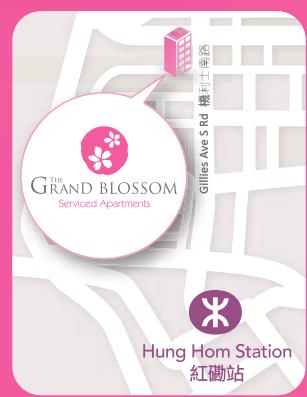


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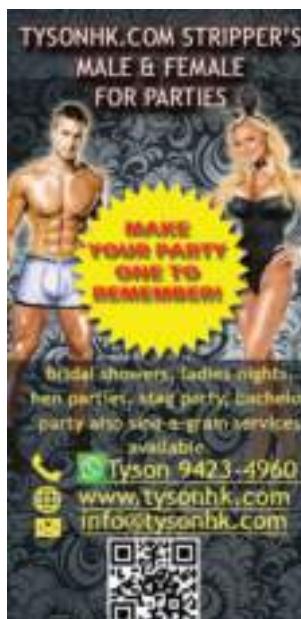
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## SAVAGE LOVE

Dan Savage

Straight male, 48, married 14 years, three kids under age 10. Needless to say, life is busy at our house. My wife and I have stopped having sex. It was my decision. I get the obligation vibe combined with a vanilla sex life, and it just turns me off. We've had many conversations about it and we want to find a balance. But it always defaults back to infrequent and dull, making me frustrated and cranky. For the past two months, I've tried to just push sex out of my mind. We live mostly as parenting roommates. We used to be pretty kinky—dirty talk, foursomes, toys, porn, etc.—but all those things wear her out now, and her interest has disappeared. My guess is that she was just playing along with my kinks to keep me happy and is now over it. Is this just life as a 48-year-old married father of three? Am I being selfish for wanting more in my sex life than my wife is willing to offer?

— Hard Up Husband

Is sex wearing your wife out, HUH, or is raising three kids wearing your wife out? I suspect it's the latter.

But in answer to your question: Infrequent and underwhelming sex, sometimes with an obligatory vibe, is not only the sex life a 48-year-old married father of three can expect, it's the sex life he signed up for. There's nothing selfish about wanting more sex or wanting it to be more like it was. Kids, however, are a logistical impediment—but a temporarily one, provided you don't go nuclear. A couple's sex life can come roaring back so long as they don't succumb to bitterness, recrimination, and sexlessness. To avoid all three, HUH, it might help to ask yourself which is the likelier scenario: for years your wife *faked* an interest in dirty talk, foursomes, toys, porn, etc., in order to trap you, or your wife is currently too exhausted to *take* an interest in dirty talk, foursomes, toys, porn, etc. Again, I suspect it's the latter.

My advice: masturbate more, masturbate together more, lower your expectations so you'll be pleasantly surprised when a joint masturbation session blows up into something bigger and better, carve out enough time for quality sex (weekends away, if possible, with pot and wine and Viagra), discuss other accommodations/contingencies as needed, and take turns reminding each other that small kids aren't small forever.

I'm one of those bi guys. I had trouble dating girls in high school and at 18 found guys so much darn easier. And as sexual promiscuity in the gay world goes, I got around there easily. Fast-forward a few years. I'm in college now and desiring women and stability more. But women find me weird and awkward—I admit I am—something I was never judged for in the gay world. This has been going on for a few years now, and it just gets worse when I'm supposed to be parading around presenting as a horny straight guy. I'd love to find a bisexual woman to start a family with who is up for mutually agreed upon swing-and-fun sessions with others. But from what I've experienced with girls so far—always on the watch for a "player," zero understanding of male bisexuality—that seems far from possible. Lately I've just been sitting on my hands in social situations, afraid to even interact with women. Is this therapy worthy?

— Upset Pittsburgher In Troubling Times

Therapy couldn't hurt... unless you get a terrible therapist... in which case it could. Start your therapist hunt at the American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors, and Therapists ([aasect.org](http://aasect.org)), and you're likelier to find a good/sex-positive one.

As for why your "weird and awkward" first impression seemed to be less of an impediment

when you were sleeping with men: Men aren't subjected to male sexual violence at the same rates that women are. Women have a lot more to fear than men do, UPITT, and a weird-and-awkward first impression is far likelier to turn off a woman into dudes than it is to turn off a man into dudes. The man you flirt with at a party might think, "Dude's weird and awkward but he's hot," and jump into bed with you. But the woman you flirt with at a party is likely to think, "Dude's weird and awkward and he's hot, but he's just too weird to risk it."

Something else that couldn't hurt: getting on a site like OkCupid and approaching bisexual women there. You may have better luck with women if your initial interactions are over e-mail.

And finally, UPITT, there are gay and bi men out there who desire stability, too—and stability and "promiscuity" aren't mutually exclusive.

About your answer to **WHAT**, the lady whose boyfriend "accidentally" ass-fucked her. I am a queer lady with a number of men in my sexual history, and I have many straight women friends who get around. "I didn't mean to stick my dick in your ass" is a lie that men tell—men who are embarrassed to ask for anal, men who want it so bad they're prepared to hurt their partner, or men who think their partner will say no if asked and just don't care. In all cases, these are men who do not even begin to understand how anal sex works. As you say, it's not an accident. But what you don't say is that these men are telling lies in order to get out of taking responsibility for their desires and the fact that they've hurt their partners. Men who want to have anal sex need to talk that through with their partners and then either figure out how to do it safely and pleasurable, accept that it's not happening, or break up if it's a deal breaker. I have had way too many conversations with women friends about the pain and anger and sometimes shame that they've felt when male partners have just stuck it in abruptly, unlubricated, and without permission. It makes me really angry that this is something that men can describe as an "accident" without any pushback, and honestly it was kind of gross and disappointing when your answer was just jokes about butt plugs.

— Whatever Acronym Strongly Stresses Underlying Point

I'm with you, WASSUP. I don't think anal happens by accident. Anal has always, in my vast experience, required lube, focus, precision, and deep breathing. But on the two occasions when I've urged straight female callers on the *Savage Lovecast* to dump boyfriends who "accidentally" penetrated them anal—the pushback from male and female listeners was overwhelming. Scores of people called in to insist that anal can and does happen by accident.

WHAT's boyfriend has accidentally penetrated her anally *four times* in a year. That raises a red flag. But WHAT was convinced it was an accident (*all four times*) and seemed to think her boyfriend felt genuinely terrible about it (*all four times*), and I deferred to a reader's POV (*just one time*). And here's a detail that was cut from WHAT's letter for space: "People have suggested going slow, but I like it a little rough." Perhaps I should've come down harder on WHAT's boyfriend—okay, I should've come down harder—but it seemed possible, at least in WHAT's case, that anal might've been an accident (*all four times*!?).

I still believe "accidental anal" is much more likely to be "intentional, nonconsensual anal," aka not an accident at all.

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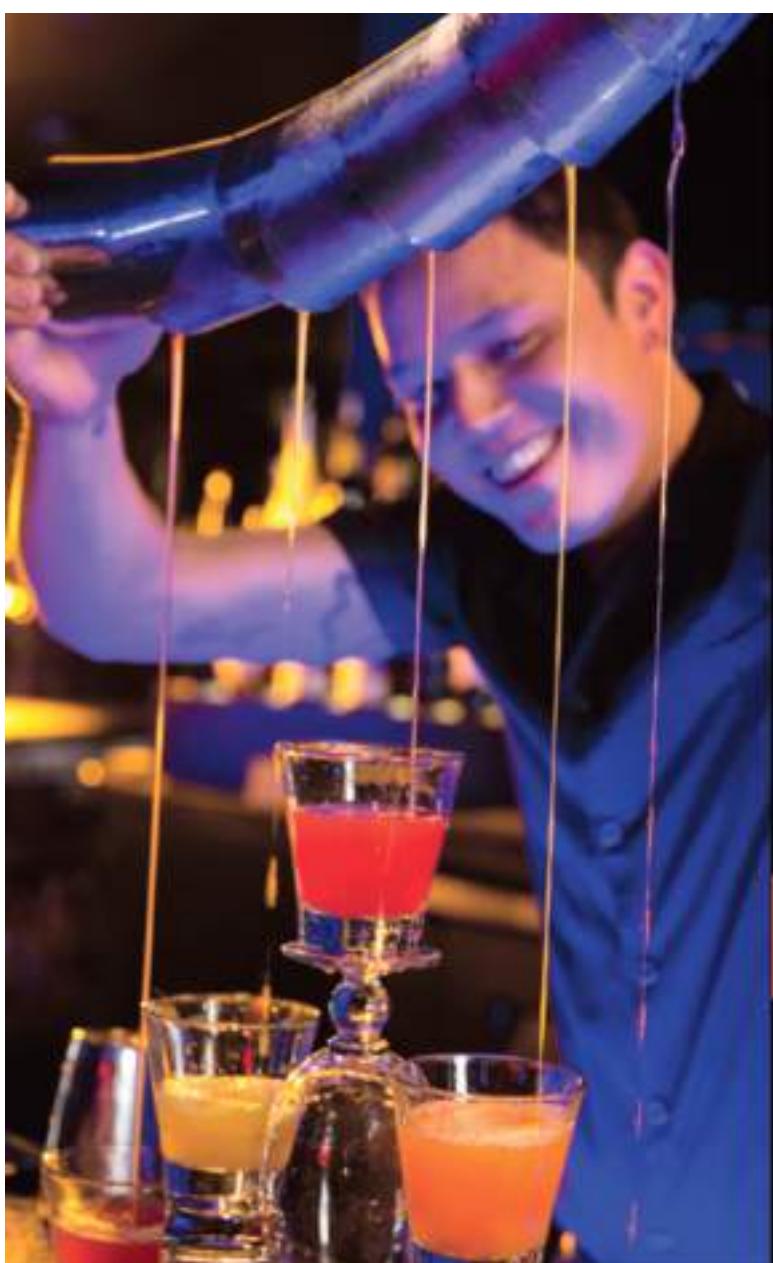
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Submit your entry **before 10am on May 16, 2016**. Winner will be announced on May 20.

Good luck!

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# FIRST PERSON



“We are always trying to solve the conflicts between humans and animals.”

The lives of Chinese White Dolphins, Hong Kong's most iconic creature, are constantly under threat from pollution and infrastructure development around their Lantau habitat. **Dr Samuel Hung Ka-yiu**, founder and chairman of the Hong Kong Dolphin Conservation Society, tells Xavier Ng how he became fascinated by the marine mammal and how we can save them.

Photo by Kirk Kenny

I was born and raised in Hong Kong. I went to study in the U.S. when I was 16.

Before I went to the U.S., I was quite an indoorsy person. There weren't that many chances to get in touch with nature.

My interest in marine life came from the documentaries I watched when I was a kid.

I used to love this wildlife series on TVB Pearl: I'd ask my dad to record it for me every week.

The competition was fierce in the U.S. for dolphin researchers. It's a dream job for many marine biologists and of course, for me as well.

Dolphins are so charismatic—everyone loves them.

That's why it's so hard to get into the industry. We even had to pay to get an internship position!

I came back to work in Hong Kong in 1997, after getting my master's degree.

At the time, the new airport in Chek Lap Kok was under construction and the government had hired an expert from overseas to do research into dolphins in Hong Kong.

He invited me to go and intern for him. It was only then that I found out there are dolphins in Hong Kong.

I've been working [in dolphin research] in Hong Kong for almost 20 years.

Many overseas academics learned about how vibrant Hong Kong's sea is a long time ago, but most Hongkongers only know about the fish they buy in the wet market.

They didn't even know that there were dolphins, coral and other marine animals in Hong Kong's seas, not until the past decade. It's unfortunate.

The estuary area west of Hong Kong is exactly where the Chinese White Dolphins are suited to live.

That's the reason for this unique situation: this very special type of dolphins in such proximity to us urbanites.

The number of dolphins in Hong Kong has been dropping.

And with more things affecting their lives, we need to speak up for them.

I founded the Hong Kong Dolphin Conservation Society in 2003.

One of the most important things about dolphin conservation is raising public awareness.

As an academic, your duty is to do research and write papers to be placed on a bookshelf.

But I think Hongkongers should know more about their plight.

We conservationists are always trying to solve the conflicts between humans and animals.

Because of how close we live to the dolphins, there are constant conflicts. We are looking for solutions for peaceful cohabitation with them.

Sometimes Hongkongers are still too anthropocentric. We only decide on things based on what's good for us humans, but we don't think about nature.

The government wants more economic development. Therefore, dolphins have a very low priority.

People may think our clients are the government and others who pay us, but our ultimate client is actually dolphins.

Everything we do is to serve their best interests.

Science is independent, and all we have to do is to tell the truth. We cannot downplay the issue—if the number of dolphins has dropped, the number has dropped.

We're not saying that dolphin conservation trumps all, but can't we compromise and find a middle ground in between?

People may ask: what's the use of conserving dolphins? There are practical reasons, but there's also a lot of hidden value.

They are a symbol of Hong Kong, and for a cosmopolitan city to have such unique marine animals—it'd be a shame if we didn't look after them.

If more people care about [the dolphins], the government will feel the pressure.

Take for example the third runway project [at the airport]: When there are a lot of people against a development, the government will need to be more careful.

Although they are still going to build the runway and we now have to take it to court, at least the government knows we are not the only ones opposing the project.

The awareness level is high. People now know that not only do dolphins exist, but we affect their lives daily.

Even if you ask a random stranger on the street, they'd know the number of dolphins is dwindling.

But is that enough? They need to be aware that we are actually part of the solution.

Do we need to do something dramatic to help conserve dolphins? Not really. Many small actions can change a lot.

For example, vote for the Legco candidates who share the same views as you regarding environmental conservation issues.

Many dolphins' lives are affected by pollution in the sea. So in your everyday life, even eating more organic vegetables can help by decreasing the use of pesticides in farms.

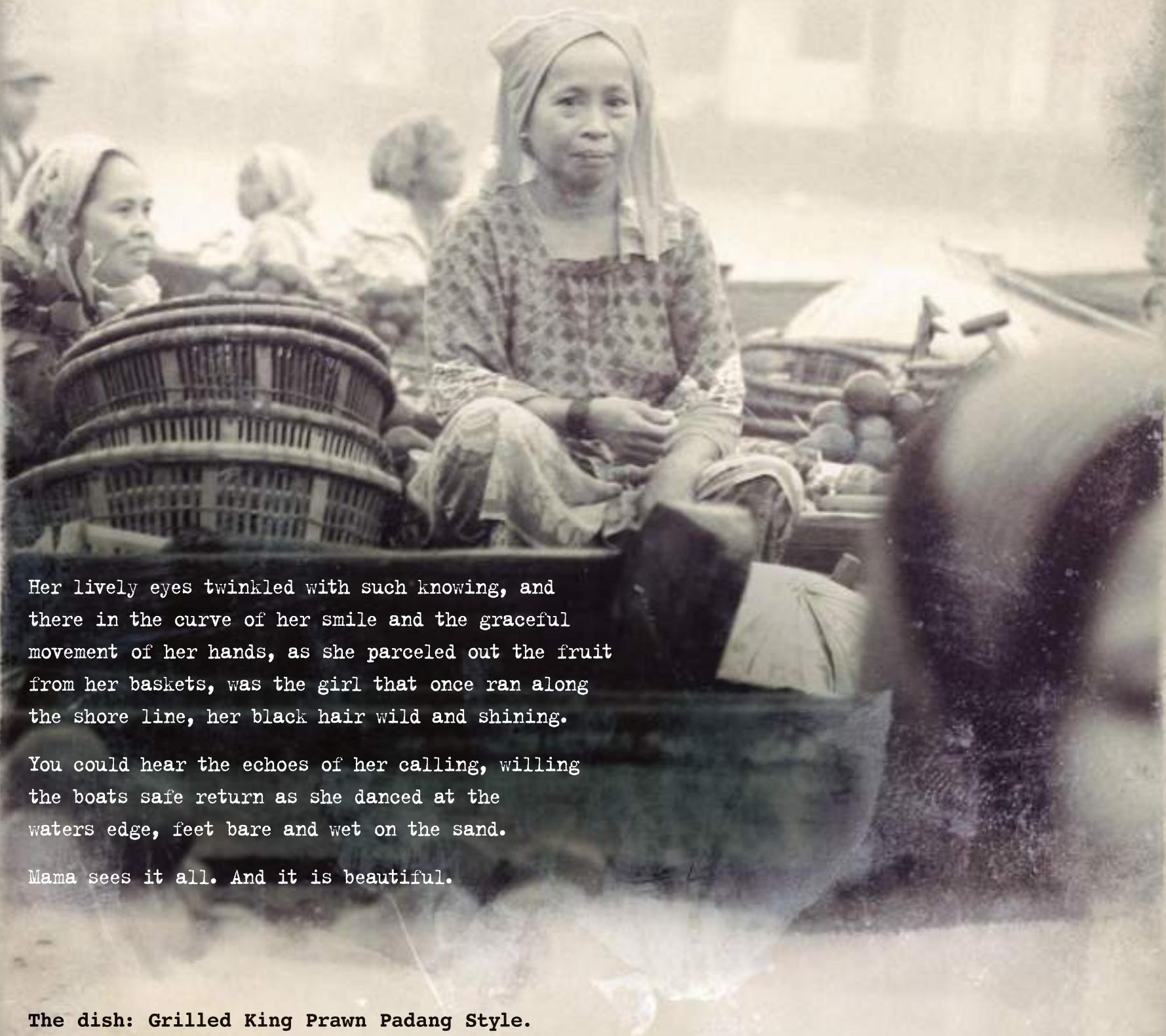
These are small compromises and personal choices that we can easily make every day—if you are willing to.



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## NEED TO KNOW...

The Hong Kong Dolphin Conservation Society organizes regular talks, events and dolphin-watching tours to raise public awareness of Chinese White Dolphins in Hong Kong. Check out [hkdc.org](http://hkdc.org) to learn more.



Her lively eyes twinkled with such knowing, and there in the curve of her smile and the graceful movement of her hands, as she parceled out the fruit from her baskets, was the girl that once ran along the shore line, her black hair wild and shining.

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