

Appointments to Executive Committee of Cantonese Opera Development Fund

The Government today (August 10) announced appointments to the Executive Committee of the Cantonese Opera Development Fund for the period from August 10, 2009, to July 31, 2011.

The Cantonese Opera Development Fund, launched on November 27, 2005, aims to raise funds to support research, projects and activities to promote and sustain the development of Cantonese opera. The fund was set up in accordance with the Secretary for Home Affairs Incorporation Ordinance (Chapter 1044) with the Secretary for Home Affairs as the trustee of the fund.

Since its establishment, the fund has granted more than \$20 million to support about 260 projects for the development of Cantonese opera, including performances, arts education and community promotional activities, cultural exchange and training projects, programmes on venue support, research and archival projects, and a three-year grant for "Hong Kong Cantonese Opera Troupe for New Talents".

The Advisory Committee of the Cantonese Opera Development Fund has re-appointed Dr Stephen Chow Chun-kay as the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Cantonese Opera Development Fund. It has also re-appointed 12 members and appointed four new members to the executive committee. The executive committee mainly advises on the drawing up of funding criteria, application procedures and guidelines for assessment of applications, assessment of applications, monitoring the progress of subsidised projects and assessing their effectiveness.

The list of members of the Executive Committee of the Cantonese Opera Development Fund is as follows:

Chairman :

Dr Stephen Chow Chun-kay

Members:

Prof Andrew Chan Chi-fai

Ms Chan Hang-kwai (Chan Kim-sing)

Ms Jeanette Chan*

Mr Charles Chow Chan-lum*

Mr Roy Ko Wai-tak

Mr Li Hon-kwong

Dr Li Siu-leung*

Prof Lui Yu-hon*

Mr Mo Yu-tin (Sun Kim Long)

Mr Wen Choy-bon

Ms Wong Shui-kwan (Wong Chiu-kwan)

Mr Frankie Yeung Wai-chung (Yeung Wai-shing)

Mr Ho Tak-sum (representative of the Board of Management of the Chinese Permanent Cemeteries)

Representative of the Education Bureau

Representative of the Home Affairs Bureau

Representative of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department

(* new appointees)

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