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**SPRING IS A TIME OF 'NEW BEGINNINGS'.  
IF YOU HAVEN'T YET VISITED ONE OF THESE  
THREE FRIENDS' SPRING TOUR LOCATIONS  
WHY NOT SIGN UP NOW?**



### **FUJIAN**

**6—10 March 2009**

### **INDIA/SIKKIM**

**6—16 April 2009**



### **CENTRAL JAVA**

**16—23 MAY 2009**

# Special Event...

## VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION LUNCH

TO THANK THOSE WHO ORGANIZED OUR EVENTS...  
AND THE SPEAKERS, TOUR GUIDES, ART DEALERS,  
GALLERY OWNERS & HOME OWNERS  
WHO GENEROUSLY DONATED THEIR TIME, EXPERTISE  
& PREMISES TO BENEFIT OUR CHARITY.

FRIDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2009

WATCH FOR YOUR E-VITE!



## FRIENDS

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## Chairman's Message... Sarah Parnell



*Dear Friends,*

I hope everyone had a good holiday and that you are all looking forward to a great New Year. Even when the world economic situation isn't good, we still have our Friends, and it's in trying times that we come to appreciate their importance in our lives.

Corey Otoshi, our newsletter editor, has been hard at work planning this and the January newsletter, between several trips abroad and around the region and various other commitments. Because of the dates of the Chinese New Year holiday this year, this newsletter will be created in e-form only and again we will not send out a printed issue. We do plan to send out the March issue in hard copy, though we are working towards a paperless system. Remember, you should also be able to access our current newsletter through our website.

We have some interesting events planned for February as well as some good trips coming up this spring. On Tuesday, 10 February, my long-time friend, Valery Garrett will talk to us about various interesting places in Hong Kong, having just published her new book, Discover Hong Kong: the City's History and Culture Redefined. Also on the subject of Hong Kong, on 25 February, we'll have a visit to Wanchai for a walk led by Dr. Joseph Ting. Both Joseph and Valery were members of the Committee of the Royal Asiatic Society, (RAS), when I worked there years ago, around 1997, and the big question was whether it might be a good idea to take the 'R' out of RAS. I hope to see lots of you at these two events and the also at our Gallery Group on the 25<sup>th</sup> when we will visit Ooi Botos. Read on for details about these events as well as about our up-coming Asian tours to India's hill country of West Bengal and Sikkim; to Fujian to see the the World Heritage sites of the Wuyi Shan and the Hakka dwellings; and to Java to explore Borobudur and other temples and heritage sites there.

**You will be pleased to hear that Friends' member, Dominica Yang's husband, Trevor, is the newly-appointed Chairman of the World Wildlife Federation, Hong Kong. Please turn to the 'Community' page of this newsletter for details of the WWF HK's invitation to participate and invite your friends to join in their upcoming Earth Hour campaign.**

***Gung Hei Fat Choi!***

*Sarah*

# February Calendar...

| Sun       | Mon       | Tue   | Wed   | Thu   | Fri  | Sat       |
|-----------|-----------|---|---|---|--|-----------|
| <b>1</b>  | <b>2</b>  | <b>3</b><br>SE Asia<br>Study Group<br>Session 2   | <b>4</b>  | <b>5</b>  | <b>6</b>                                       | <b>7</b>  |
| <b>8</b>  | <b>9</b>  | <b>10</b><br>SE Asia<br>Study Group<br>Session 3<br><br>Lecture by:<br>Valery Garrett<br>Helena May<br>6:30pm | <b>11</b>   | <b>12</b>   | <b>13</b>                                      | <b>14</b> |
| <b>15</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>17</b><br>SE Asia<br>Study Group<br>Session 4  | <b>18</b>   | <b>19</b>   | <b>20</b><br>Friends'<br>Thank You<br>Luncheon | <b>21</b> |
| <b>22</b> | <b>23</b> | <b>24</b><br>SE Asia<br>Study Group<br>Session 5  | <b>25</b><br>Gallery<br>Group:<br>Ooi Botos<br>Gallery<br>11:00am | <b>26</b><br>Day Tour:<br>Wanchai<br>Heritage<br>9:30am | <b>27</b>                                      | <b>28</b> |

**PLEASE MARK THE FORTHCOMING SPECIAL EVENT ON YOUR CALENDARS!**

**TUESDAY, 5 MAY: FRIENDS' AGM**

This year's event will take the form of an evening cocktail at a spectacular Peak home, followed by the meeting formalities and capped off with a lecture from Jason Wordie.

# Day Tours...

## A CULTURAL & HERITAGE STROLL THROUGH WANCHAI & ITS NEIGHBORING AREAS

Date: **Thursday, 26 February 2009**  
Guide/Speaker: **Dr. Joseph S.P. Ting**  
Cost: **\$120 members; \$150 non-members**  
Time: **9:30am; tour duration, approx. 2 1/2 hrs (Lunch afterwards on a cost-share basis)**

Wan Chai is rapidly changing due to the government's re-urbanisation initiatives. Dr Ting will turn the clock back and share with us an informed narrative on Wan Chai's history and cultural heritage.

*About our guide & speaker: **Dr. Joseph Ting**, former Chief Curator of the Hong Kong Museum of History, is a renowned historian and author specializing in Hong Kong history. During his tenure (1995-2007) as Chief Curator, the following new museums were planned and completed: The new Hong Kong Museum of History with its permanent exhibition: the "Hong Kong Story", the Museum of Coastal Defense and the Sun Yat-sen Museum.*

*Dr Ting is an Honorary Fellow of the Hong Kong Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society. He holds numerous honorary posts within the academic circles at CUHK and HKU, and is a highly valued advisor to museums in Hong Kong and China. Dr Ting sits on the committee of the Hong Kong Memory Project and has also been appointed Museum Expert Advisor of Leisure and Cultural Services Department and a member of Intangible Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee of the HKSAR.*

*His main interests are: China Trade Paintings, History of Chinese Community in Hong Kong, and History of Guangzhou and Macau.*

**Booking and Enquiries:** Please send tear sheet & cheque payable to 'Friends of the Art Museum, CUHK Ltd.' to Bonnie Yiu, Flat 3A, 77 Peak Road, The Peak, Hong Kong. Enquiries: [for\\_yiu@hotmail.com](mailto:for_yiu@hotmail.com)



**At the  
Guangzhou Triennale  
November, 2008**



# Lectures...

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## HONG KONG: EIGHT FAVORITE PLACES

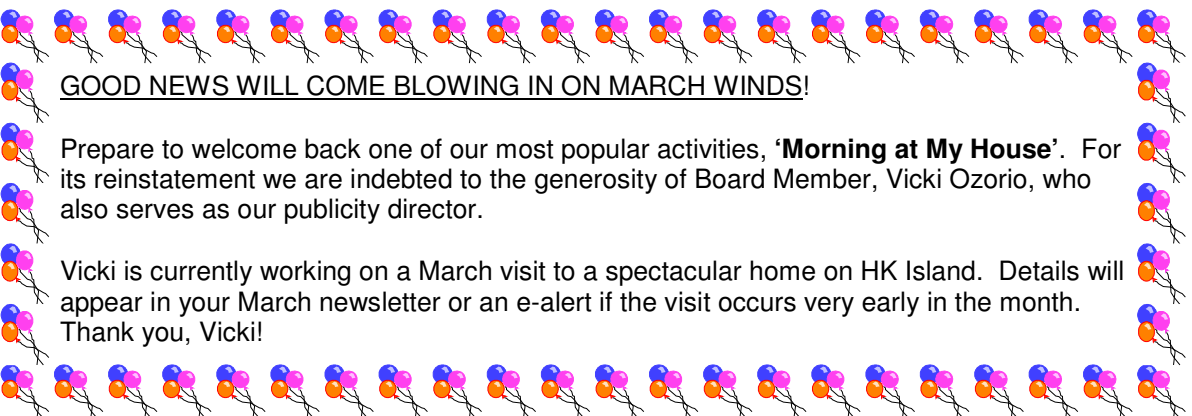
Speaker: Valery Garrett  
Date: Tuesday, 10 February 2009  
Time: 6:30pm to 8:00pm  
Venue: The Helena May, 35 Garden Road, Central  
Cost: \$120 members; \$150 non-members (includes 1 drink)

In this talk by Valery Garrett, we will travel from the Peak to Western district, Tsuen Wan to Tai Po, and end our journey in the remote fishing village of Tai O, all in the space of an evening, and from the comfort of our armchairs. Throughout her talk Valery will cover the background to the founding of Hong Kong, and talk about the Chinese people who inhabited the New Territories villages and fishing ports for over a thousand years.

These eight places are just some of the sixty included in her latest book, *Discover Hong Kong: the City's History and Culture Redefined*, published by Marshall Cavendish, November 2008. The pocket-sized paperback covers places, people, culture, heritage, nature and lifestyle, all with illustrations from past and present, and with details on how to get there.

*About our Speaker: Long-time Hong Kong resident, former researcher for the Museum of History, consultant to the Tourism Board, Honorary Research Fellow at the Centre of Asian Studies, University of Hong Kong, and textile specialist who has generously shared her expertise with the Friends over the years, Valery knows the city and surrounding countryside well. Giving little known facts, and introducing the reader to Hong Kong's hidden heritage and culture, she reveals a side of the territory of which even many local people are unaware. Copies of the book will be available.*

**Booking and Enquiries:** Please send tear sheet and cheque payable to 'Friends of the Art Museum, CUHK Ltd.' to Paul Yu, Lectures Coordinator: 38 Shan Kwong Road, 6/F, Happy Valley, Hong Kong, Tel. 9282-0007, e-mail: [paulyupk@netvigator.com](mailto:paulyupk@netvigator.com)



### GOOD NEWS WILL COME BLOWING IN ON MARCH WINDS!

Prepare to welcome back one of our most popular activities, '**Morning at My House**'. For its reinstatement we are indebted to the generosity of Board Member, Vicki Ozorio, who also serves as our publicity director.

Vicki is currently working on a March visit to a spectacular home on HK Island. Details will appear in your March newsletter or an e-alert if the visit occurs very early in the month.

Thank you, Vicki!

# Museum News...

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## ONGOING EXHIBITIONS:

### **HEAVENLY STEEDS: HORSES IN CHINESE ART**

Date:       **14 July 2008 – 8 February 2009**  
Venue:      **Gallery II, Art Museum**

### **TIMELESS LEGACY: THE MOK FAMILY COLLECTIONS**

Date:       **26 July – 8 March 2009**  
Venue:      **Gallery I, CUHK Art Museum**

Gallery I presents the collections of three generations of the Mok family. Featured are paintings, calligraphy, objects for the scholar's studio, ceramics and jades, ancestral furniture and portraits.

### **HEAVENLY SPLENDOUR: THE EDRINA COLLECTION OF MING AND QING IMPERIAL COSTUMES**

Date:       **26 July– 29 March 2009**  
Venue:      **Gallery III, CUHK Art Museum**

Part of the exhibition 'Timeless Legacy: The Mok Family Collections'.

### **THE EXCITEMENTS OF DIGGING IN HONG KONG**

Date:       **September, 2008 to July, 2009**  
Venue:      **Gallery IV, CUHK Art Museum**

Illustrated by artefacts unearthed from excavations in HK, this exhibition introduces aspects of archaeology and displays the recent research output of the Centre for Chinese Archaeology and Art.



# ...CUHK Fine Arts Department...

## The Chinese University of Hong Kong MA in Chinese Studies 2009-2010



The Master of Arts in Chinese Studies at *The Chinese University of Hong Kong* is a flexible, one-year program taught and examined **in English** and designed to accommodate a wide range of interests and needs for graduate training in Chinese Studies. The Centre for East Asian Studies promotes the interdisciplinary study of China. Our curriculum is designed to enhance your career potential – students with aspirations in the public and private sectors, in business and academia, study together in a bilingual environment that values diversity and collaboration. If Chinese Studies interests you, we encourage you to join us for further study here in Hong Kong, the gateway to China.

Online applications available at <http://www2.cuhk.edu.hk/gss>. Priority given to applications completed by April 1. Thereafter applications will be considered on a rolling basis until spaces are filled.

### The Chinese University of Hong Kong MA in Chinese Studies

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# Gallery Group...

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## OOI BOTOS GALLERY EXHIBITION: "CHINESE CARNIVAL"

DATE: Wednesday, 25 February 2009  
TIME : 11:00am  
PLACE: 5 Gresson Street, G/F, Wanchai  
COST: \$120 members; \$150 non-members

*Ooi Botos* is one of several exciting new galleries in Hong Kong. Opened in May 2008, it exhibits high quality contemporary art photography, video and art installations in a former Wanchai shop-house which has been cleverly converted without sacrificing key elements of its original design. A primary mission of the gallery is, "to help raise the level of the overall discourse about art in the region" by sponsoring related events. If you are interested in art, this is a gallery you will want to explore.

Gallery owner, Joanne Ooi will guide us on the 25th, providing insight into the works by Chen Zhuo and Huang Keyi currently on display. These two artists are part of the exhilarating frontier of Chinese art photography and the luscious C-prints from their "Chinese Carnival" series offer whimsical commentaries on the rapid changes in modern culture.

**Booking/Enquiries or to be included in future Group e-alerts:**  
e-mail to [gallerygroup@gmail.com](mailto:gallerygroup@gmail.com). You may pay at the door by cheque made out to 'Friends of The Art Museum, CUHK Ltd.' or cash.



*Visit to Studio of Carol Lee  
Mei Kun  
Chai Wan*

# Study Group...

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The joint Friends/Helena May study group offers members a chance to learn about a particular aspect of Asian art, history and culture. Each participant is expected to research a topic selected under the umbrella of the study theme and present it to the group in the form of a 40-minute talk. Usually, though this is not a requirement, the oral presentation is accompanied by visuals, such as PowerPoint images. Every presentation is different and no one is expected to be an expert. The emphasis in our study groups is on learning and sharing knowledge and making new friends in a relaxed, friendly environment.

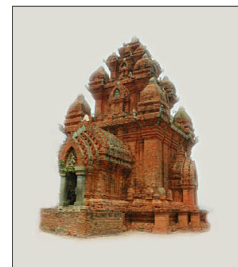
To find out more information about the Study Group, please contact the group coordinators at *friends\_studygroup@yahoo.com*. The study group is open to members of The Friends and The Helena May. The fee for participation is \$150.



## THE FRIENDS/HELENA MAY

### JOINT STUDY GROUP

#### SPRING TOPIC:



**‘Ancient & Colonial Influences Shaping the Cultures of Southeast Asia’**

**Suggested topics include: The Khmer Civilization; The Indianized Champa Empire in Vietnam; Theravada Buddhism—Its influence on Burmese Culture and Art; The British Colonization of Burma; and Traditions, Language and Cultures of the Hill Tribes in Southeast Asia.**

To register or suggest a topic which you would prefer to research,  
please contact the group coordinators at:  
***friends\_studygroup@yahoo.com***

If required, there will be a PowerPoint workshop in mid-January.

**Presentations will commence on Tuesday, 20 January.**

Meetings will be held Tuesdays (10:15am-12:15pm), at The Helena May.

**To join the Study Group or find out more information please contact the study group coordinators at *friends\_studygroup@yahoo.com*.**

**The study group is open to members of The Friends and The Helena May.  
The fee for participation is HK\$150.**

# Asian Tours...



*Two Types of Hakka Tulou*

**We will be accompanied by Ms. Rosman Wai, Registered Architect and Fellow of the HK Institute of Architects. She is a Senior Architect in the Housing Department and an Honorary Assistant Professor in the Architectural Conservation Programme of The University of Hong Kong.**

**CHINA – Fujian Province  
UNESCO World Heritage Sites:  
Wuyi Shan & Hakka Buildings**

**6—10 March 2009  
5 Days / 4 Nights**

**Our group will visit the cloud-shrouded formations of Wuyi Shan in Northern Fujian and then we will proceed south to explore the region of the Hakka people in the southwest of the Province. Both areas are listed as UNESCO World Heritage sites, the Hakka's earthen houses, *Tulou*, being one of the most recent listings.**

**Friday 6 March (HK/ Wuyi Shan)  
HK/XIA KA602 (12:50-2:10pm)  
XIA/WU FM9529 (5:10-5:50pm)**

**We will meet at the HK Airport. On arrival we will transfer to Wuyi Mountain Villa Hotel and enjoy**

**dinner at the hotel. 2 nights**

**Saturday 7 March (Wuyi Shan)**

**After breakfast, we will spend the day exploring the scenic Heavenly Peak Area of the mountain, where poets throughout history found inspiration, and ride leisurely down the Jiuqu Stream on bamboo rafts. Lunch & dinner at local restaurants.**

**Sunday 8 March (Wuyi Shan/Yongding)**

**After breakfast at our hotel we will visit the well-preserved tea merchants' houses of the Ming/ Qing Xiamei village, which once served as a distribution center for tea grown in the region. The village is also the site of well-designed senior officials' and Confucian scholars' houses, the area having been the setting of the development and spread of neo-Confucianism. After lunch at a local restaurant we will transfer to the airport.**

**WU/XIA MF8346 (1:40pm-2:20pm) On arrival transfer to coach for 3 hour drive to Yongding. Check in at Jinteng Hotel for dinner. 1 night.**

**Monday 9 March (Yongding/Nanjing)**

**After breakfast, drive to the Hakka Culture Village to see the earthen *Zhencheng* and *Kuiju* buildings. Lunch nearby at a restaurant serving local cuisine. We then transfer to Nanjing (Fujian), around 2hrs drive, check in at Xiangjiang, or similar, Hotel for 1 night. Dinner at our hotel.**

**Tuesday 10 March (Nanjing/Xiamen/HK)**

**After breakfast, visit the most unique Tianluokeng flower-shaped earthen building (see photograph, left). We then visit Yuchang earthen buildings (around 600 years old) along with the village and rice terraces before driving directly to Xiamen airport, around 2.5hrs drive.**

**XIA/HK KA605 (7:45pm-9:10pm)**

**Trip Cost:**

**Approx. HK\$7768.00 per person (twin sharing, based on 16 participants).**

**Single surcharge HK\$900.00**

# ...Asian Tours

## Inclusive of:

Round trip air ticket HK/Xiamen, Dragon Air Economy class (group ticket); All domestic flights; 4 Nights hotel accommodation as per itinerary (Where it is not possible to provide accommodation at the listed hotels, we will stay at comparable hotels); Meals provided as per itinerary; One bottle of water p/p p/day; All sightseeing tours with private English speaking guide, coach and driver; Entrance fee to sites as per itinerary; Gratuities for guides and drivers; All airport transfers in Xiamen.

## Price Excludes:

Airport taxes and fuel surcharges: HK\$589.00 in Jan. 2009 (this amount subject to change); Chinese Visa (**required**); Travel insurance; Personal expenses such as phone/laundry/alcoholic beverages.

## To Book:

Please issue a cheque for **HK\$3000.00** made out to 'Friends of the Art Museum, CUHK Ltd.' and mail together with a completed tear sheet to: Margrit Tsang, 16 Chi Fu Road, Flat 18F, Pokfulam, Hong Kong. email [mf\\_tsang@hotmail.com](mailto:mf_tsang@hotmail.com)

**HOTEL ROOMS AND AIRLINE SEATS FILL RAPIDLY DURING THE EASTER SEASON!**

**PLEASE PAY YOUR DEPOSIT EARLY TO SECURE A PLACE.**



*Ghoom Monastery, Darjeeling*

## ASIAN TOURS TRAVEL POLICY:

Please note that a \$1000 portion of your deposit is non-refundable. Space is not reserved until your deposit is received. Once airline deposits have been paid, the remaining portion of the deposit becomes non-refundable as well. Cancellation less than 45 days before departure will result in non-refundable charges. Cancellation less than 21 days before departure must be in writing and may result in no refund at all.



*The Toy Train to Kurseong*

## **INDIA — KOLKATA/WEST BENGAL/SIKKIM**

**6—16 April, 2009**

Join other Friends as we roam the hills of West Bengal and Sikkim, and tour the fascinating city of Calcutta.

### Monday, 6 April (Hongkong/Kolkata)

HK/BK **TG607 (20:45-22:30)**

BK/KK **TG313 (23:25-00:30)**

On arrival at Kolkata transfer to Taj Bengal Hotel. Overnight at hotel.

### Tuesday, 7 April (Kolkata)

After a sumptuous breakfast at the hotel, we'll visit the Marble House and Dakshineswar Kali Temple. After lunch we will be led on a guided tour of the Indian Museum, the oldest and largest museum in India. Before dinner at a local restaurant we will stroll the Maidan, Kolkata's Central Park.

# ...Asian Tours

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## **Wednesday, 8 April** (Kolkata/Bagdogra/Siliguri)

After breakfast transfer to airport.

**KK/BG IT2531 (11:10-12:40)**

After lunch at Bagdogra airport transfer to Hotel Sinclairs at Siliguri. Dinner at the hotel.

## **Thursday, 9 April** (Siliguri/Kurseong/Darjeeling)

After breakfast at the hotel, transfer to New Jalpaiguri Railway Station where we board the toy train to Kurseong. Stop for lunch and a walk around Kurseong before we drive the rest of the way to Darjeeling. Dinner in Darjeeling and overnight at Darjeeling's Fortune Resort.

## **Friday, 10 April** (Darjeeling)

Darjeeling straddles a ridge at an altitude of over 2100m (6890ft). Formerly a favorite hill station of the British, surrounded by tea plantations, and backed by the fantastic Himalayan Mountains, the town remains as popular as ever. In the early morning we will visit Tiger Hill (Altitude 2610 meters) and the Ghoom Monastery. From Tiger Hill, 13kms from Darjeeling, there is a splendid view of the Himalayan range including Kanchenjunga and Mount Everest. Ghoom Monastery, built in 1875, houses a 15-foot tall image of Mythey Buddha. In the afternoon there will be a guided tour of Darjeeling. Lunch at Glenarys Restaurant & dinner at Buzz Restaurant.

## **Saturday, 11 April** (Darjeeling/Pemayangtse)

We have a 6-hour 110km morning drive to Pemayangtse (Altitude 2150 meters). Transfer to Norbu Ghang Resort. This leg of the trip takes us into Sikkim. An independent kingdom until 1975, Sikkim is considered one of the last Himalayan Shangrilas. In the afternoon there will be a city tour of Pemayangtse including the picturesque and perfectly proportioned Pemayangste Monastery which overlooks the Rabtense Ruins. Lunch, dinner & overnight at Norbu Ghang Resort.

## **Easter Sunday, 12 April** (Pemayangtse/Gangtok)

Drive 7km (6hrs) to Gangtok (Altitude 1700 meters). Upon arrival check into a deluxe room at the Gangtok Tashi Delek Hotel, where we will enjoy a restful lunch. Afternoon free to relax after the long drive. Dinner at Netuk House Restaurant.

## **Monday, 13 April** (Gangtok)

After breakfast we will tour the area, including the Directorate of Handloom & Handicraft, the Enchey Monastery, the Institute of Tibetology, the Orchid Sanctuary, Do Drul Chorten and the Rumtek Monastery. Lunch at the hotel; dinner at Tibet Hotel Restaurant.

## **Tuesday, 14 April** (Gangtok/Kalimpong)

After breakfast drive 80km (3hrs) to Kalimpong (Altitude 1800 meters). Check-in at Kalimpong Hotel and have lunch. In the afternoon we'll visit the Flower Nurseries, Zang Dog Palri Fo Bang Monastery, Durpin Dara, Tharpa Choling Monastery and the Thongsa Gumpa. Dinner provided at the hotel.

## **Wednesday, 15 April** (Kalimpong/Bagdogra/Kolkata)

Morning drive 80kms (3hrs) to Bagdogra airport; lunch at the airport.

**BG/KK IT2532 (13:05-14:35)**

Afternoon visit to the old books market on College Street. The largest second-hand book market in the world, it's small shops and kiosks collectively boast they have sold almost any title ever available. After extensive bargaining, rare books can be purchased there at 'throw-away' prices. Enjoy a cup of coffee at Coffee. This is perhaps the best place to observe Kolkata's tradition of adda, the casual meeting of friends to discuss every possible issue and while away the time. Afterwards visit to Howrah Bridge and Victoria Memorial. ONE DAY ROOM provided at Peerless Inn Hotel for luggage. Farewell dinner



# ...Asian Tours

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provided at Aaheli restaurant (Bengali specialty) in the Peerless Hotel. Transfer to airport in the late evening.

**Thursday, 16 April (Kolkata/Bangkok/HK)**  
**KK/BK TG314 (01:55-05:05)**  
**BK/HK TG600 (08:00-11:45)**

**Trip Cost:**

Approx. **HK\$19,230.00** per person (twin sharing, based on 16 participants).  
Single surcharge HK\$4,190.00  
Non-member surcharge HK\$500.00

**Inclusive of:**

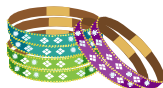
Air Ticket HK/Bangkok/Kolkata/Bangkok/HK, Thai Airways, economy class; Domestic flight Kolkata/Bagdogra/Kolkata, economy class; All sightseeing tours with local English speaking guide, coach & driver; Toy train ride as per itinerary; All lunches & dinners provided at local restaurant or hotel as per itinerary; One bottle drinking water p/person, p/day; One air-con coach provided with English speaking driver in Kolkata and English speaking guide at sites; English driver/guide provided from 8-15 April with non a/c coach (jeep); Entrance fee to sites as per itinerary; All airport transfers in India.

**Price Excludes:**

Airport taxes & fuel surcharges HK\$1141.00 in Jan. 2009 (amount subject to change); Indian visa; Travel insurance; Personal expenses such as phone/laundry/alcoholic beverages.

**To Book:**

Please issue a cheque for **HK\$4000.00** made out to 'Friends of the Art Museum, CUHK Ltd.' and mail together with a completed tear sheet to: Margrit Tsang, 16 Chi Fu Road, Flat 18F, Pokfulam, HK. e-mail: [mf\\_tsang@hotmail.com](mailto:mf_tsang@hotmail.com)



**Exploring Central Java Island...**  
**16-23 May 2009 7 nights- 8 days**

Central Java is an area rich in culture and tradition, including two UNESCO World Heritage sites- Borobudur and Prambanan – and several old cities such as Yogyakarta, Solo, Semarang, Surabaya; while the countryside in this part of Java offers superb opportunities for scenic tours. As we make our way across the island we will discover dramatic views of hills, mounts and volcanoes, Mount Merapi being one of the most active volcanic sites in the region.

The Borobudur Temple complex, one of the greatest monuments in the world, was built in the 8th century A.D. Lost until its rediscovery in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century by Sir Thomas Raffles, and later restored with the help of UNESCO, this temple on a hill offers a complete initiation into Buddhist art, religion and customs. Prambanan is the biggest Hindu Temple complex in Java, with 224 temples built in the 8<sup>th</sup> century by Sanjaya, a Hindu noble who ruled the territory until 750 A.D. The Ratu Boko, another temple complex, stands on the Shiva Plateau commanding a view of the Prambanan Plain

We will also explore the charms of Yogyakarta, and its satellite cultural centres. Batik, silver, woodcarving and ceramic workshops are numerous and bear witness to the rich Javanese culture. At evening time, we will enjoy an art performance of the classical Ramayana Ballet. In Jakarta, due to its long history as a key trading port, various cultural influences (Chinese, Arabic and Persian), and former colonial powers (Portuguese, Spanish, English and Dutch) are still evident in the city. Museums and traditional architecture are good illustrations of the past time.

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# Community News...



## EARTH HOUR 2009



BOLD, SIMPLE AND ACCESSIBLE, EARTH HOUR 2009 HAS ONE MAJOR AIM: TO SHOW GOVERNMENTS, INDIVIDUALS AND BUSINESSES THAT IT IS POSSIBLE TO TAKE ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE. THE WORLD CAN NO LONGER WAIT; AND THE FIRST STEP IS AS EASY AS TURNING OFF A LIGHT.

**At 8:30pm on 28 March 2009 (Saturday), Hong Kong will join other towns and cities across the world to turn off their lights for one hour sending a powerful global message that it's possible to take action on climate change.**

**WWF hopes Earth Hour 2009 will be the world's largest mass participation event. WWF Hong Kong targets to engage 1 million people to take this simple action on that night and we cannot accomplish this without your personal and corporate support.**

It will be fantastic if you can take part and encourage your family, friends, company and colleagues to participate. For friends abroad, please observe the local time in your region for the Earth Hour. Please also feel free to forward this to friends.

**To become an Earth Hour Sponsor and learn more about Earth Hour, Hong Kong, Asia or worldwide, or to discuss ways in which your company can support Earth Hour, please contact Josephine Wong: Tel. 2161 9620; [jwong@wwf.org.hk](mailto:jwong@wwf.org.hk) or Gladys Cheung: Tel. 2161 9658 or [gcheung@wwf.org.hk](mailto:gcheung@wwf.org.hk)**

## **Tearsheets**

Please send a **Separate Cheque and Tearsheet for each event.**

- Make cheques payable to: **Friends of the Art Museum, CUHK Ltd.**
- Please write your name, telephone number and activity on the back of your cheque.
- Send the cheque and tearsheet to the **organiser listed on the same page as the description of the activity.**
- Your reservation is confirmed unless advised otherwise, in which case your cheque will be destroyed.
- Refunds (except travel deposits) will be given for cancellations up to seven days before the event.

**Please note that your membership number is on your newsletter envelope label.**

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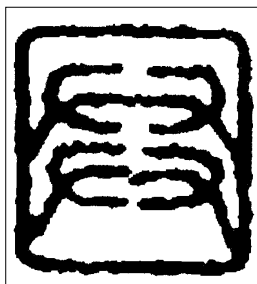
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Take Eastern tunnel and follow signs to Shatin. Drive through Tate's Cairn Tunnel, get in left lane and turn off at second road to the left. Follow signs to Shatin central. Continue along this road; again go left to Shatin central. Right away, get into right lane and turn right at traffic lights. This road leads to Taipo Road. Go straight until you see sign overhead indicating University. Exit left and at roundabout bear right. Go straight and take right at second university entrance (Main). At gate you will be issued parking ticket. First 30 minutes of parking free, thereafter \$10 per hour. Drive 200 yards past gate. Parking lot is on right, Art Museum is on left. Surrender card and pay at gate when leaving.

**Public Transportation to CUHK**

From TST take KCR East to the University KCR station (25 minutes from Kowloon). Turn right when leaving the station to reach University shuttle bus making regular runs to Art Museum. Alight at Sir Run Run Shaw Hall (second stop); walk straight to Institute of Chinese Studies building, where the Art Museum is located. To return, catch bus on lower side of the Art Museum.



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