

# TAI KWUN OPENING SEASON Fact Sheet PERFORMING ARTS Offerings at a Glance







**Dreamlike Horses** 

29.05 - 03.06.2018 (29.05 - 03.06) 7:45pm; (02 & 03.06) 3pm Parade Ground Free admission The performance will last for approximately 30 minutes with no intermission.

Performing Party: Compagnie des Quidams (France)

Co-presented: Le French May Arts Festival

Dreamlike Horses, horses formed from large inflatable materials, are put in motion by bold puppeteers in legendary costumes. They are directed by one, lone man, 'the Ringmaster'. Together, they play, perform and dance to original music. They create dynamic and poetic images of dreams and transformation. This is a dream in motion, a fantastic ride...

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#### This Victoria Has No Secrets

29.05 - 03.06.2018 (29.05 - 03.06) 8pm; (01.06 - 03.06) 3pm JC Cube Free admission The performance will last for approximately 50 minutes

Yat Po Singers, Hong Kong's first and leading a capella choral theatre, presents *This Victoria Has No Secrets*, a musical journey of nostalgia and hope inspired by Victoria Harbour. Famous for its world-renowned skyline, the harbour also bears witness to Hong Kong's transformation including the disappearance of Victoria City, the de-facto capital city during colonial period. In this production, tailor-made for Tai Kwun, historical fragments of the harbour including souvenirs, languages, folklore become muse for Yat Po Singers' co-artistic directors Yuri Ng, Ng Cheuk-yin and Patrick Chiu Collaborating with renowned lyricist Chris Shum, they create a performance sung with pristine clarity, dry wit and a refreshing take on this significant landmark.



#### Micro Shakespeare

08 - 18.06.2018
(8-10 & 16-18.06) 11am - 5pm
Prison Yard
Free admission
Five box-theatres in total, each performance will last for eight minutes
Language: Available in Cantonese and English

Performing Party: Laitrum Teatre (Spain) National Theatre of Great Britain (UK)

Special Thanks: Macao Arts Festival

Get set for a zany and fun theatrical journey with Spain's Laitrum Teatre that turns Shakespeare's classic plays upside down. The stage is relocated to the outdoors with the line between audience and performer blurring. Literally playing it by ear, the 'actor' behind the box-theatre will receive instructions through the ear pieces and 'act' accordingly. In eight minutes, the vengeful spirit of *Hamlet*, impetuous passion of *Romeo and Juliet*, magical delight of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, soul redemption of *The Tempest*, and power corruption of *Macbeth* come alive through you. Previously commissioned by the National Theatre of Great Britain, *Micro Shakespeare* welcomes people of all ages to join as an audience or Shakespearen thespian.

#### **HKIFF Cine Fan**

## **Every Month JC Cube**

Fee: HK\$75 (For details, please visit <a href="http://cinefan.com.hk/ticketing/">http://cinefan.com.hk/ticketing/</a>)

Cine Fan is proud to present inaugural programmes tailored for Tai Kwun, featuring classic films centering around law and order as well as a centenary retrospective of Ingmar Bergman, the late Swedish master filmmaker. If you enjoy crime and legal dramas, revel in European existential angst or simply enjoy great movies, Tai Kwun is the place for you.

June		
17.06	2pm	M
17.06	4pm	Seminar on Long Arm of the Law
17.06	5:30pm	In the Heat of the Night
18.06	2:30pm	Bullitt
18.06	5pm	Dirty Harry
18.06	7:30pm	The Tale of Princess Kaguya
30.06	2:30pm	Dirty Money
30.06	5pm	Fargo
30.06	7:30pm	The Magic Flute
July		
01.07	2:30pm	Fireworks
01.07	5pm	Pom Poko
01.07	7pm	Seminar on Takahata Isao
01.07	8:30pm	Grave of the Fireflies
14.07	2:30pm	The Killer
14.07	5pm	Scenes from a Marriage (1-3)
14.07	8pm	Scenes from a Marriage (4-6)
15.07	2:30pm	Only Yesterday
15.07	5pm	The French Connection
15.07	8pm	Bonnie and Clyde



#### Tai Kwun Theatre Season – Knock Knock

19 - 22.07.2018 | 3pm & 8pm F Hall Studio, Block 17 Fee: HK\$220

(Available at Tai Kwun Website / App\* / Urbtix on 25.05)

Artist: Niv Petel (Israel)

'How would you raise your child, if you knew that one day their turn will come to hold a rifle?' In one of the most acclaimed shows in Edinburgh Fringe 2017, Israeli actor Niv Petel's *Knock Knock* weaves a poignant and heartfelt tale about the effects of conscription on everyday life for a single mother and her only son. Told with innovation and imagination through minimal set and props, the physical mono-drama evokes sympathy through laughter juxtaposed with deep emotional subtext. Niv Patel delivers a controlled yet moving performance, making both roles come to life through nuances of emotions and telling an intimate story about parenthood, friendship, love and sacrifice.



#### Tai Kwun Theatre Season - Titus Andronicus 2.0

27 - 29.07.2018

(27 - 28.07) 7:30pm; (28 - 29.07) 2:30pm

JC Cube Fee: HK\$250

(Available at Tai Kwun Website / App\* / Urbtix on 25.05)

Artist: Tang Shu-wing Theatre Studio (Hong Kong)

Hailed as an "alchemist of minimalist theatre," Tang Shu-wing is known for his concise dramatic language. As one of Shakespeare's grisliest plays, *Titus Andronicus* is made into a narrative format with strong physical movement. The pared-down stage accentuates the maximised expression of the actor's bodies in re-telling the savage saga. Unique and thought-provoking, the ground-breaking *Titus Andronicus 2.0* is considered one of the most emblematic productions in Hong Kong theatre in the past decade.



#### Tai Kwun Theatre Season - Nocturnes

06 - 08.07.2018

(06 - 08.07) 8pm; (07.07) 3pm

JC Cube Fee: HK\$250

(Available at Tai Kwun Website / App\* / Urbtix on 25.05)

Artist: imitating the dog (UK)

As one of UK's most original and innovative performance theatre companies, imitating the dog is peerless in innovative integration of digital media and live performance. Paying homage to spy stories during the Cold War era, Nocturnes starts with two operatives holed up in a Berlin apartment in the Russian Zone awaiting instructions. As time passes, their relationships to each other and to the orders they receive from their superiors fall apart. Performed on what appears to be a film sound stage, two actors voice a film they cannot see and never acknowledge. But who is in control? As the film gathers pace, can the past be changed? Nocturnes is as much a technological feat as a meditation on truth, control and free will.



#### Tai Kwun Theatre Season - Remote Hong Kong

12.07 - 12.08.2018 | 4pm At different areas of the City

Fee: HK\$220

(Available at Tai Kwun Website / App\* / art-mate.net on 25.05)

Created by: Rimini Protokoll (Germany)

In the midst of this familiar city burgeoning with people and the cacophony of urban noises, how do we interpret our relationships with the surrounding environment? Insight will await you thanks to the Germany-based collective Rimini Protokoll. Founded by directors Stefan Kaegi, Helgard Haug, and Daniel Wetzel in 2002, the internationally renowned pioneer of documentary theatre received numerous awards including winning the Venice Biennale European Prize for New Theatre Forms twice and the Excellence Award of the Japan Media Festival. Their latest tour de force Remote X is an international phenomenon staged over more than 40 countries. In Remote Hong Kong, a group of people venture off into the city wearing headphones. They are guided by GPS navigators to explore Hong Kong from the perspective of artificial intelligence. With people directed to familiar yet unknown territories, spreading and re-forming to a collective movement, Remote Hong Kong is a treasure hunt, urbanroaming experience and soundtrack with its own dramaturgy.

#### **Cantonese Sessions:**

July | 12, 13, 14, 20, 21, 22, 26, 28, 29 August | 2, 3, 5, 9, 10, 12

#### **English Sessions:**

July | 15, 19, 27 August | 4, 11



#### **Family Circus Showcases and Workshops**

02 - 18.06.2018 (02, 03, 09, 10, 17, 18.06) 11am - 6pm Prison Yard Free admission

The best destination to start your fun family summer vacation is right in the heart of Central! Come to Tai Kwun for family circus where local and overseas circus talents perform aerial silk dance, tightrope walking, cyr wheel, magical ball, percussion music and magic in the unique heritage site. Awestruck kids (and adults) could join workshops to learn incredible new skills, get active, improve coordination and simply have loads of fun.

#### **Lunchtime Series**

Mon & Wed | 12:45pm Prison Yard / Laundry Steps Free admission

Located in the heart of Central, Tai Kwun is perfectly located to offer a brief reprieve from the chaos of the workplace. Come and enjoy 'Lunchtime Series' — an exciting line-up of stand-up comedy, street performances, mini-concerts every Monday and Wednesday. Head outdoors, eat lunch, relax and unload your worries while enjoying a hearty laugh or live music — it is all in a day's work of enjoying art in Tai Kwun.



#### Make Music, Hong Kong!

23 - 24.06.2018 (23.06) 12pm - 10pm; (24.06) 12pm - 9pm Various Locations in Tai Kwun Free admission

Alliance Française de Hong Kong and the Consulate General of France in Hong Kong and Macau are very proud to present the first edition of 'Make Music, Hong Kong!'. The two-day music festival will feature over 30 talented local and 7 European bands. Artists will perform on 5 different stages and together they will bring a wide range of music performance from classic to jazz, pop and electro.

#### **Saturday Music Platform**

First Saturday of Every Month | 3pm Parade Ground / Prison Yard Free admission

Kung Chi-shing, the seminal figure in Hong Kong independent music, is invited to curate outstanding music works from local and international musicians on the first Saturday afternoon of every month. Whether you enjoy classical music, pop or the truly 'out there', prepare to have your musical horizon expanded at the unique heritage site as Kung sweeps the musical landscape.

#### **Sunday Movie**

Sunday | 11am & 3pm Laundry Steps Free admission

Partner: The Hong Kong International Film Festival Society

Looking for the perfect way to top off a leisurely Sunday? Tai Kwun presents 'Sunday Movie Series' with free film screenings every Sunday in the splendor of the semi-outdoor Laundry Steps. In collaboration with the Hong Kong International Film Festival, screenings comprising both feature films and shorts have been carefully selected for their quality and enjoyment by all. Kicking off the series is 'Animation Without Boundaries' featuring the best animations works from Asia and around the world. For a great day out, come along with family and friends to sit back, relax and enjoy screen gems.

### Jun

03.06	McDull: Rise of the Rice Cooker
10.06	The Postgal Animation Collection
17.06	Chinese Animation Shorts Compilation
24.06	A Chinese Ghost Story

Jul	
01.07	Asian Animation Shorts Compilation
08.07	On Happiness Road
15.07	Ernest & Celestine (2017)
22.07	April and the Extraordinary World
29.07	World Animation Shorts Compilation

There is no admission fee for entering Tai Kwun, however, visitors are encouraged to get a Tai Kwun Pass to ensure a smooth entry. More details can be found on Tai Kwun website https://www.taikwun.hk/en/visit/taikwun pass.

\*Tai Kwun App to be launched soon, please stay tuned.