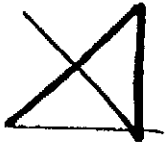


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Re: Hong Kong Art School Site Visit

Dear Ms. Choy:

Greetings from the Hong Kong Art School!

We were honored to have you and your panel members joined us in the school tour conducted on Thursday, 27 March 2008, at the Hong Kong Arts Centre and the Hong Kong Art School Learning Centre.

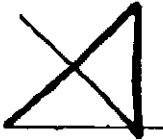
Thank you very much for your acknowledgment on the concerns of the Hong Kong Art School, particularly on the spatial constraint issue. Your valuable advices on the planning for site enhancement are also much appreciated. In terms of survival and sustainability of the Hong Kong Art School, finding a permanent site with a size of approximately 50,000 sq. ft., that is equivalent to the capacity of approximately 600 full-time students in various post-secondary education programmes, is indeed the prime challenge that we are currently facing. As part of the discussion on last Thursday's site visit, the Hong Kong Art School would truly be grateful if you and your panel members would address these concerns of ours in the relevant subcommittee meetings of the Legislative Council as and when appropriate.

Nevertheless, the Hong Kong Art School will continue to strive for the exploration of the following four types of site as suggested during the round table discussion of the site visit:

- (i) The first batch of the seven historical buildings listed under the "Revitalizing Historical Building through Partnership Scheme", and
- (ii) Industrial Buildings, and
- (iii) Different schools sites which have ceased operation, and
- (iv) Sites that are not part of the scheme for the selling of government land and with the usage of these sites are still being subject to further discussion.

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I would once again like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to you and your panel members for your kind support to the Hong Kong Art School. Your generous support is indeed vital for the long term development of the Hong Kong Art School, which is crucial for it to sustain its mission to be the prime initiator in nurturing the artistic community in Hong Kong.

Best personal regards,

Alexander Hui
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