



Hong Kong 2009 East Asian Games (EAG) Bulletin # 9

1 Day to the Opening

EAG News

- The EAG Opening Ceremony will take place at the Hong Kong Cultural Centre Piazza tomorrow at 8:00pm. State Councillor, Madam Liu Yandong, will officiate at the Ceremony, which will involve more than 1,000 performers, a parade of 60 boats and a spectacular fireworks display. Local athletes including Lee Lai-shan, Wong Kam-po, Hannah Wilson, Wu Siu-hong and Wan Kin-yee will be torch bearers and EAGA-flag bearers. Table tennis player Li Ching will take the oath on behalf of athletes and tennis umpire Gary Au Yeung Kwok-kei will represent referees.
- Ticket holders are advised to wear red and arrive early for a pre-show that starts at 6:30pm. Other members of the public may watch the boat parade and fireworks display on both sides of the Harbour. Giant TV walls will be installed in Tsim Sha Tsui, West Kowloon, Central and Wan Chai to broadcast the Opening Ceremony boat parade and stage performances.

Games Highlights

4 December Flag Raising Ceremony at the Olympic Square, Hong Kong Park

5 December • Opening Ceremony at Hong Kong Cultural Centre Piazza

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• 36 gold medals will be awarded in nine events, including all 12 medals in DanceSport and 8 in Swimming. For the full competition schedules, please visit the EAG website link at - http://www.2009eastasiangames.hk/en/sport/schedule.html

Important Note

- Tickets are still available for only eight competition events (table tennis, volleyball, tennis, hockey, badminton, football, rugby sevens and weightlifting) and the Closing Ceremony.
- Apart from purchasing online (<u>www.hkticketing.com</u>) or by phone (31 288 288), tickets are also available at the following seven EAG venues: Siu Sai Wan Sports Ground (for football), Hong Kong Stadium (football/rugby sevens), Hong Kong Coliseum (volleyball/Closing Ceremony), Queen Elizabeth Stadium (table tennis/badminton), Lai Chi Kok Park Sports Centre (weightlifting), King's Park Hockey Ground (hockey) and Victoria Park Tennis Centre (tennis).

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