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The Annual SummerFest@Central Harbourfront Returns **Regular Programme BAMBOOSCAPE Co-organized with Hong Kong Architecture Centre** **Around 25 Outdoor Activities Including Arts, Music, Dance & Sports**

May 30 - August 3 with Free Entry



Hong Kong, May 22, 2025 ...In addition to long being the world-renowned, iconic construction support material in Hong Kong, bamboo scaffolding has also recently been recognized as a local art form by the architecture sector as well as local residents and tourists. Given such a marvellous tribute, this year's **SummerFest@Central Harbourfront** is proud to present its regular program - **BAMBOOSCAPE**, showcasing Hong Kong's unique cultural treasures and urban landscape. In addition, a series of nearly 25 special pop-up activities centered on culture, music, dance, and sports will take place at the Central Harbourfront Event Space, making this summer even more exciting than ever before.

Organized by Central Venue Management (CVM), which exclusively operates and manages the Central Harbourfront Event Space, **SummerFest** kicks off its ninth season from May 30 to August 3, a total of 66 consecutive days at this core venue. All programs are available with free entry and are expected to attract tens of thousands of visitors. For many years, CVM has invited a wide range of art and cultural organizations to co-host various **SummerFest** programmes, providing new inspiration and engaging experiences for all attendees.

This year's regular programme - **BAMBOOSCAPE**, co-organized by the Hong Kong Architecture Centre and CVM, will feature several architectural masters and creative teams that have specially designed and constructed five large, fascinating bamboo art installations. Designers include: Assistant Professor



Philip Fung and Voraphope Prasertsap from Department of Architecture, Tunghai University; Dr. Tony Ip, a sustainable design architect and urban designer; HOUR 25, a team of four Hong Kong architects; Professor Hiroyuki Shinohara and his team from the Craft Design Research Lab @ CUHK Architecture; and two fibre artists, Cecilia Lai and Barnard Chan from Breakthrough Art Studio. The Hong Kong Architecture Centre has also invited experienced local bamboo craftsmen to take part in the construction, showcasing the unique techniques and cultural heritage of Hong Kong's traditional bamboo scaffolding craft.

A diverse line-up of special pop-up programs will also be presented on weekends, public holidays, and other designated days, covering four main areas: sports, music, dance, and culture. Highlights include the energetic **Hong Kong Children's Balance Bike Group Championship, Central and Western District 3v3 Dodgeball Competition, Baseball5 & eBASEBALL For All Day**, plus **Hong Kong Baseball5 Competition** as well as **Bicycle Circuit and Point Race**. Attendees can enjoy all the thrilling competitions while also sharing in the joy of sweating it out together.

A host of special musical programs designed to inject rhythm into the bustling Central business district will include: **CHAMpionTeng1 Hong Kong Youth Singing Competition, SingingShow, Next Star Singing Competition, Summer Vibes, My Rhythm Playground** series, **Neighbour Music Festival**, and **Let's Play Hong Kong!** series. From pop bands and brass bands, locals and tourists alike can immerse themselves in a wonderful world of melodies and harmonies. Dance programmes will include **Showcase Competition** and **Fiesta de Ballet**, combining pure artistic exuberance and elegance. Cultural programs as well will include **WanderFest Festival** series, **The Tao of Enjoyce** series, **Mermazing Summer Splash** series, and **Sri Lankans Talent Show**, providing visitors with a multitude of colorful cultural experiences.

Summerfest@Central Harbourfront

Date: May 30 to August 3

Time: Mondays–Fridays: 3pm - 9pm

Saturdays – Sundays 1pm - 9pm

(Opening hours may change subject to the special events held on the day. Please check the website schedule.)

Location: Central Harbourfront Event Space (9 Lung Wo Road)

Gate 3 entrance, next to Tamar Park

Admission: Free of charge

Hi-res rendering images and event photos can be downloaded from:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1juMbM31upMCq-EYtuR148Lq8OHvYCns6>

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**About Central Venue Management (CVM)**

Appointed by the Government through an open tender in 2014 and again in 2016, CVM is the exclusive operator and manager of the Central Harbourfront Event Space (CHES), a premier location showcasing Hong Kong's iconic skyline and harbour. The CHES has hosted many events such as the Art Central, Lai Yuen Super Summer 2015, Clockenflap Music and Arts Festival, FIA Formula E Hong Kong ePrix, Cirque du Soleil, Dragonland Music Festival, etc.

About Hong Kong Architecture Centre

Hong Kong Architecture Centre (HKAC) began in 2005. In 2006, HKAC became a charitable institution of a public character in Hong Kong. HKAC aims to connect architectural professionals with members of the public and to promote architecture in the community. HKAC's Founding Members include architects, engineers, surveyors and scholars. HKAC is committed to bridging architecture and the public by enhancing public awareness of our built environment, cultivating a deeper understanding and keener appreciation of our environment and culture. Together, we can build and better our city, community and future.

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Large-scale Art Installations of BAMBOOSCAPE

《Waving Bamboo Pavilion》

Team: Philip Fung & Voraphope Prasertsap from Tunghai University

The bamboo scaffolding is commonly used in Hong Kong, which makes the hyper dense city lively and energetic. The design tries to use the scaffolding from being a building's surface to become a bamboo forest space for people to wander in. Through the soft rope roof, visitors may enjoy the unique city skyline of Central.

《The Wind Rose: Bamboo Ripples》

Team: Ar. Dr. Tony Ip

Made with recycled bamboo, this 3-meter high installation transforms the meteorological "wind rose diagram," a scientific chart that presents the distribution and speed of wind direction, into a touchable and accessible spatial narrative. As visitors move through the bamboo-walled passages, they capture the physical imprints of the wind, as if playing hide and seek with the city's microclimates. The so-called wind rose is nothing but a resilient trace of nature breathing amidst the concrete jungle.

《Whispers of the Wind》

Team: Breakthrough Arts

Themed with the imagining of the wind, the art installation integrates elements such as kites, windmills, and wind chimes, providing audiences with both visual and auditory experiences. The shadow of the bamboo woven pattern will interact with the sunlight over time. Blessing is always hidden in the traditional weaving. Kite means rising, and the bamboo woven floral pattern means full of vigour. The rotary of windmills also means good luck.

《Sushi Stool》

Team: HOUR 25

Sushi Stool is a portable, lightweight urban furniture. Presented on a large-scale bamboo rolling mat crafted by a local bamboo master, rolls of Sushi Stool invite visitors to become ad-hoc sushi Senseis, selecting their own "fillings" for the Sushi Stools and transforming the Central harbourfront into a vibrant social gathering platter.

《Pause. Weave. Move》

Team: Craft Design Research Lab @CUHK Architecture

Woven by traditional bamboo techniques, this installation reconciles the shifting rhythms of nature with the silent tension of the soaring skyscrapers in the heart of a bustling metropolis. The canopy's porous and organic form allows light and wind to pass through. It sways gently, caressed by the bay's breeze,



its rhythm synchronizing with the rippling surface of the water, creating ever-shifting patterns of shadow on the ground. At its core, an oculus rises gracefully, connecting earth and sky. It halts the hurried steps of passers-by, offering a fleeting moment of stillness — a quiet awakening to nature's presence, a reminder of our connection to the natural world.

BAMBOOSCAPE Guided Tour

With representatives from the Hong Kong Architecture Centre and members of the various design teams serving as guides, attendees can explore an exciting world of arts, culture and creativity as well as learn more about specific artistic works and the stories behind the various installations of BAMBOOSCAPE.

Date/Time: May 31 (Saturday) 1pm - 2:30pm
June 1 (Sunday) 10am - 11:30am
Quota : 30 pax each session
Fee: Free of charge
Registration: <https://forms.gle/MARY1oCB2BJnsvjK8>

BAMBOOSCAPE Workshops

1. 《Let bamboo and the wind dance together!》 Workshop By Breakthrough Art

Participants can join in and learn traditional bamboo weaving skills. Artists will share their stories about the oriental aesthetic and culture behind each piece of art during the workshop and also demonstrate the bamboo flower weaving technique in their artwork 《Whispers of the Wind》.

Date : May 31 (Saturday)

Time : 2:30pm - 4:00pm

Quota : 20 pax

Registration: <https://forms.gle/MARY1oCB2BJnsvjK8>

2. 《Become a Sushi Sensei for a Day!》 Workshop by HOUR25

Families and participants of all ages are invited to step into the role of sushi chef and craft their own mini 'sushi delights'. In addition to personal creations, participants will join hands to weave a small-scale bamboo rolling mat, creating a collective art piece that elegantly showcases their sushi creations.

Date : June 1 (Sunday)

Time : 11:30am – 1pm

Quota : 18 pax

Registration: <https://forms.gle/MARY1oCB2BJnsvjK8>

Special Programme List of SummerFest@Central Harbourfront



CHAMpionTeng1 Hong Kong Youth Singing Competition 2025

Date: May 31 (Saturday)

Time: 3pm-6:30pm

Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

The performance stage for singers is not located in private bathrooms, but rather right in the heart of Central! This singing contest brings together a group of young people passionate about everything associated with the vocal arts as they step onto the stage at the Central Harbourfront Event Space to showcase their talents. Cham's Vocal Studio will also deliver an exciting performance, igniting enthusiasm in the audience to create an atmosphere similar to an outdoor party.

Hong Kong Balance Bike Group Championship 2025

Date: June 15 (Sunday)

Time: 10am-6pm

Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

Hundreds of young riders will take part in the annual balance bike competition, racing at high speeds with great energy and enthusiasm. Additionally, balance bikes and protective gear will be available on-site for children to try out for free, helping to enhance their balance and control skills, and making it feel like a true family-friendly carnival.

WanderFest 2025 - Vintage Journey

Date: June 21 (Saturday)

Time: 1:30pm-9pm

Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

WanderFest 2025 - Camping Journey

Date: June 22 (Sunday)

Time: 1:30pm-9pm

Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

Offering a wide range of vintage culture, hiking, camping as well as art and music, WanderFest creates an interactive outdoor venue featuring a hipster-friendly market space with local design exhibitions, hands-on camping experiences, and dynamic live music shows. From families and groups of old pals to solo adventurers, everyone will find that perfect cosy corner to enjoy a leisurely weekend.

Central & Western District 3v3 Dodgeball Competition 2025



Date: June 27 (Friday)
Time: 2pm-7:30pm
Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

The Central and Western District 3V3 Dodgeball Competition 2025 is all set to heat up with fast-paced, exciting action. The contests in the U9 to U15 age categories will showcase the vitality of all the young players. Visitors will be able to not only enjoy the series of matches but will also get to experience the unique excitement of dodgeball at various demonstration booths.

Mermazing Summer Splash 2025 - Make a Splash!

Date: June 28 (Saturday)
Time: 12nn-9pm
Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

Mermazing Summer Splash 2025 - Bubble Troubles

Date: June 29 (Sunday)
Time: 12nn-9pm
Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

This summer, countless mermaids will be gathering in Central, offering children the opportunity to experience what it's like be one of these mythical sea creatures. "Make a Splash" features a series of water-themed festivities and installations while inviting all to engage in good fun. The following day, "Bubble Troubles" will transform the Central harbourfront into a whimsical bubble-filled wonderland. Under sunny skies and amidst colorful bubbles, a variety of music and dance performances will enchant audiences, creating a truly magical atmosphere.

The Tao of Enjoyce: Exploring Health Through Mind-Body Unity

Date: June 30 (Monday)
Time: 3pm-9pm
Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

Emotional health has become an increasingly important topic of social concern these days. With this in mind, the 'Tao of Enjoyce' organised by Enjoyce, specialists in yoga and fitness, will help parents and students find lifestyle balance and enhance children's focus through the practice of various yoga techniques.

The Tao of Enjoyce: Record-Breaking 1,000 Hong Kongers join together for the *Hold Chair Pose*

Date: July 1 (Tuesday)
Time: 11am-9pm



Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

To help strengthen emotional health support and foster deeper connections between cancer survivors and their families, the Tao of Enjoyce will offer a series of emotional health workshops, including breathing meditation, emotional release, yoga stretches, and themed talks, to help participants make better use of stress reduction techniques while learning enhanced emotional management skills in order to help alleviate physical and mental stress, and engage in a more holistic healing experience. The workshops will also attempt to assemble over a thousand participants for a one-minute chair-holding pose to challenge the world record as they convey the important message of being present and working toward releasing stress.

SingingShow

Date: July 4 (Friday)

Time: 6pm-9pm

Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

A concert by the Singing Soul Academy will feature a series of songs performed by its instructors and students in what is sure to be a spectacular vocal extravaganza in the central business district.

Showcase Competition 2025

Date: July 5 (Saturday)

Time: 12nn-9pm

Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

The second Showcase Competition will also take place at this year's Central Harbourfront event. Talented dancers from kindergarten as well as primary and secondary school plus entrants in open categories will all be on hand to showcase their extraordinary skills in competition for ultimate glory while delighting rapt audiences.

Fiesta de Ballet 2025

Date: July 6 (Sunday)

Time: 3pm-8:30pm

Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

Under starry skies in Central, young dancers will perform ballet pieces, creating an elegant and romantic atmosphere that is certain to captivate audiences and make ballet's beauty accessible to everyone.

Next Star Singing Competition



Date: July 11 (Friday)
Time: 6pm-9pm
Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

Co-organized by the Singing Soul Academy, ten top vocalists have been selected to compete in the Next Star Singing Competition finals, all set against the backdrop of a gorgeous Central night-time skyline. As each entrant vies for the Next Star crown, this exciting vocal competition is sure to leave audience members in awe and wonder.

Summer Vibes

Date: July 12 (Saturday)
Time: 6pm-9pm
Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

Feel the sea breeze at the Central Harbourfront and relax to a summertime vibe with some great music. Led by their expert conductor, the Hong Kong Festival Wind Orchestra will perform familiar Japanese anime themes, J-Pop tunes, Hollywood movie soundtracks, and Disney classics via lovely wind instrument orchestrations, transporting listeners into a dreamlike world.

Sri Lankan Talent Show 2025

Date: July 13 (Sunday)
Time: 2:30pm-8pm
Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

Sri Lanka, a country with a rich historical legacy and unique cultural traditions, offers visitors to the Central Harbourfront the chance to enjoy Sri Lankan songs, dances, and art performances. Come and immerse yourself in this fascinating country's cultural charms.

2025 Cycling Circuit and Points Race

Date: July 18 (Friday)
Time: 9am-6pm
Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

The cycling relay and points races each have their own different requirements and rules, creating razor-thin end results amidst a tense and exciting sporting atmosphere that reveals each cyclist's maximum efforts.

Baseball5 & eBASEBALL for All Day



Date: July 19 (Saturday)
Time: 10am-6pm
Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

Baseball5 is an emerging sport gaining widespread popularity that uses a rubber ball and can be played anytime, anywhere. For the Summerfest event, professional coaches will be on hand to demonstrate and guide visitors on how to enjoy the fun of baseball5. There will also be training booths on-site, allowing visitors to understand and engage more closely with the sport.

Summer BaseballFest - Hong Kong Baseball5 Competition

Date: July 20 (Sunday)
Time: 10am-6pm
Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

This summer, The Baseball Association of Hong Kong will organise several exciting contests at the Central Harbourfront, so that everyone can experience the unique joys of baseball.

My Rhythm Playground 2025 – Asian Music Carnival

Date: July 26 (Saturday)
Time: 2:30pm-8:30pm
Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

My Rhythm Playground 2025 - World Music Carnival

Date: July 27 (Sunday)
Time: 12:30nn-8:30pm
Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

My Rhythm Journey, founded by drummer Tom from the band Mr., presents a two-day family-friendly music festival at the Central Harbourfront Event Space. It will feature over a hundred students performing popular drum patterns that are sure to resonate with audiences. There will also be guest band performances, and a special rhythm mini-stage for visitors to try their hand at drumming. So come and experience the joys of playing pop music on drums. Coffee and drink booths will also be available for everyone to chill and enjoy the dynamic beats during the hot summer heat.

Neighbour Music Festival



Date: August 1 (Friday)

Time: 5pm-9pm

Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

An impressive line-up of busking performances will showcase the talents and abilities of many young local artists and bands as they play up front, right next to visitors.

Let's Play Hong Kong! 2025 - Music in Motion

Date: August 2 (Saturday)

Time: 12nn-9pm

Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

The two-day *Let's Play Hong Kong! – Music x Games Festival* combines local original music with exciting game challenges, showcasing Hong Kong's multi-cultural make-up and social vibrancy. *Music in Motion* features energetic local indie bands and musicians performing live, while visitors can participate in interactive workshops that blend music and games, including a dance competition and various rhythm challenges.

Let's Play Hong Kong! 2025 - Play to the Beat

Date: August 3 (Sunday)

Time: 12nn-9pm

Entrance: Gate 3, Next to Tamar Park

On the second day of *Let's Play Hong Kong! 2025*, a special *Play to the Beat* event will feature live music performances throughout the day, leading up to headlining band performances and themed games. There will also be food stalls, a special market, and a kid zone, ensuring maximum enjoyment for people of all ages.