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22nd Hong Kong Dance Awards – Shortlisted Nominations Announced Daniel Yeung to receive Distinguished Achievement Award



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8 May 2020 – Hong Kong Dance Alliance (HKDA) is pleased to announce the shortlisted nominations for the 22nd Hong Kong Dance Awards and the presentation of the Distinguished Achievement Award to Daniel Yeung.

Since 1999, the *Hong Kong Dance Awards* have celebrated outstanding achievements in the local dance field and recognized artists and organizations for their contribution to the development of dance in Hong Kong. Those honoured in the past include companies such as City Contemporary Dance Company, Hong Kong Ballet, Hong Kong Dance Company, Unlock Dancing Plaza and Passoverdance; choreographers such as Helen Lai, Mui Cheuk-yin and Yuri Ng and recipients of the Distinguished Achievement Award such as Lau Siu-ming, Jean M. Wong, Anna CY Chan and Dr Tom Brown.



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Shortlisted Nominations

This year, 44 outstanding nominees have been shortlisted under 14 award categories (click <u>here</u> for the shortlisted nominations). The shortlists were determined by a ballot of expert panelists held after reviewing all the nominations received this year. A final ballot will be conducted in March to decide the Awards with an expanded jury including all members of the HKDA Executive Committee. Award recipients will be announced during the **22**nd **Hong Kong Dance Awards Presentation & Gala Performance**. (For the list of expert panelists together with all rules and procedures of the shortlisting and final ballot process, please visit this website.)



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Distinguished Achievement Award – Daniel Yeung



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The Distinguished Achievement Award will be presented to Daniel Yeung Chunkong for his immense contribution to the development of dance in Hong Kong as performer, choreographer, dance critic, mentor and curator. In addition to his own outstanding career as an artist, Yeung has played a major role in advancing and enriching Hong Kong dance by nurturing local emerging dance artists and fostering interaction between the Hong Kong dance community and its international counterparts.

Hong Kong Dance Awards Presentation & Gala Performance

Considering the uncertainty of the infection risk of COVID-19 and in response to the current social situation, there are changes applied to the **22nd Hong Kong Dance Awards Presentation & Gala Performance** which has been postponed taking place on 18 July 2020 at Kwai Tsing Theatre Auditorium. Results will be presented in a different way and details will be announced soon.

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With the mission of serving as a primary voice and support group for dance in Hong Kong and for Hong Kong dance worldwide, HKDA is devoted to promoting recognition, development, and mutual understanding of all forms of dance. The Hong Kong Dance Alliance is the official Hong Kong organization of the World Dance Alliance and it is a recipient of Hong Kong Arts Development Council Three Year Grant.



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