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New “Art in MTR” Exhibition Brings an Artistic Sea of Blossoms to Central Station

It is time to look forward to spring! For an early sight of the coming season, Entrance/Exit J of MTR Central Station is in full bloom with shades of pink and purple starting from today (15 January 2019) to 28 February 2019 with the latest “Art in MTR” exhibition entitled “Murmurs of the Flowers”. Featuring more than 30 watercolour paintings by local artist Mr Anthony Choy, the exhibition transforms the station into a tranquil garden with a variety of floral species including peonies, hydrangeas and camellias.

“Flowers are the main subject of my drawings because I see different emotions in them. ‘Murmurs of the Flowers’ was inspired by the ancient Chinese poem ‘On Loving the Lotus’ from the Song Dynasty which says each type of flower represents a personality. Besides appreciating the beauty of flowers, I hope passengers would also find something that resonates with them in my work,” said Mr Choy.

“These paintings are romantic and lively, making them a perfect match for spring and Valentine’s Day,” said Ms Linda So, Corporate Affairs Director of MTR Corporation. “We hope this exhibition will help to refresh our customers amidst the hustle and bustle of the city and further enhance their travelling experience,” she added.

“Murmurs of the Flowers” is the latest exhibition for the “Art in MTR” programme under the Corporation’s “Community Connect” platform. “Art in MTR” provides a platform for aspiring artists, designers and talented individuals in the creative industries to showcase their works to the community. The objective of this programme is to enhance passengers’ travelling experience through easy access to different art elements including live performances, short-term art exhibitions and permanent displays of art pieces.

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About MTR Corporation

MTR Corporation is regarded as one of the world's leading railway operators for safety, reliability, customer service and cost efficiency. In its home base of Hong Kong, the Corporation operates ten commuter railway lines, a Light Rail network, an Airport Express link as well as a new High Speed Rail service connecting Hong Kong to the Mainland of China that was launched in September 2018. These services carry about 5.8 million passenger trips on a normal week day. Another 6.5 million passenger trips are made on the rail services MTR operates outside Hong Kong in the Mainland of China, the United Kingdom, Sweden and Australia. In addition, the Corporation is involved in a range of railway construction projects as well as railway consultancy and contracting services around the world. Leveraging on its railway expertise, the Corporation is involved in the development of transit-related residential and commercial property projects, property management, shopping malls leasing and management, advertising media and telecommunication services.

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About "Community Connect"

"Community Connect" is the Corporation's platform for initiatives that aims to support everyone from the young to the old while enhancing the liveability of our city. What all the programmes have in common is that they've been carefully developed to nurture the communities we serve, so that together we can grow and thrive in a sustainable Hong Kong. Specifically,

- We invest in young people as they are our customers, future leaders, innovators, and game changers – supporting their development is an investment in our communities' futures.
- We contribute to making cities more connected and vibrant through staff volunteering, and collaborating with NGOs and social enterprises to address evolving community needs.
- We enhance the travelling experience through integrating art into our station architecture and facilitating artists to stage their art-related activities or displays in our stations and malls.

Photo Caption:

More than 30 watercolour paintings of different flowers by local artist Mr Anthony Choy are on display at the latest "Art in MTR" exhibition entitled "Murmurs of the Flowers" at Entrance/Exit J of MTR Central Station between today (15 January 2019) and 28 February 2019.

