

## 新聞稿

### Press Release

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#### **MTR Sai Wan Ho Station Gets a Touch of “Doodle” Art Thanks to Collaboration with Local Artist and Youth in the Community**

MTR Corporation is delighted to unveil today (11 April 2023) a new touch of community art at Sai Wan Ho Station on the Island Line. Thanks to the collaboration between the Corporation and Youth Outreach (YO), the new artwork, which has straddled the lift lobby on the ground and concourse level, brings the dynamic energy of the streets through the perspectives of our young people to passengers.

Entitled “Adventures in Amazing Sai Wan Ho”, the artwork captures the hustles and bustles of Sai Wan Ho community life. The lively and colourful illustrations will surely promise a new “check-in” art spot for passengers and visitors to the district.

MTR Corporation and YO are thankful for the support of local artist Jasontommy, who led and inspired a group of young participants to apply the Doodle-style of illustration and bring their vision of the unique architecture, cultural and collective memories of Sai Wan Ho, such as Tai On Building, the fishing port culture of Sai Wan Ho and the HangOut of Youth Outreach into the station artwork, following a series of workshops to study the neighbourhood’s history.

“Sai Wan Ho is a distinctive coastal community in the Eastern District of Hong Kong Island with a lot of historical buildings and cultural landmarks. Therefore, we used the sophisticated lines and colour of the ‘contemporary’ Doodle-style to highlight a ‘yesteryear’ sentiment and the cultural characteristics of Sai Wan Ho. Using art to pull the old community and modern society closer allows citizens and tourists to feel the changes in a more friendly way,” said Mr Carlos Chung, Executive Director of Youth Outreach.

“We are delighted to collaborate with Youth Outreach who helped line-up the local artist and the youngsters for the artwork creation. This artwork collaboration provided station space for them to unleash their talents by illustrating the cultural characteristics of Sai Wan Ho from their point of view. Having this work inside our station connects passengers with art during their journeys and injects more dynamism into the society to foster understanding of the neighbourhood’s transformation and drive local cultural exchanges and development,” said Mr Andrew Mead, Head of Architecture of MTR Corporation.

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MTR Corporation works with artists to integrate art into different stations by offering space for art exhibitions under the “Art in MTR” programme to promote artistic talent and the public’s art appreciation. Interested artists and organisations may browse the MTR website for more details.

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## Photo Caption

1. Commissioned by MTR Corporation and Youth Outreach, local artist Jasontommy led a group of youngsters to create the artwork "Adventures in Amazing Sai Wan Ho" which consists of a series of artworks featuring the cultural characteristics of Sai Wan Ho in Doodle-style. Mr Andrew Mead, Head of Architecture of MTR Corporation (3<sup>rd</sup> left) and Mr Carlos Chung, Executive Director of Youth Outreach (1<sup>st</sup> left) together unveiled this artwork.



2. Passengers at Sai Wan Ho Station lift can appreciate this series of artwork creations depicting the vision of local youths and “check-in” with the vivid and colourful artwork.



3. The artwork showcases a vivid side of Sai Wan Ho from the different perspectives of Jason Tommy and the youths taking part in the creation:



Depicting the various shops at Tai On Building



Discovering the fishing heritage in Sai Wan Ho and movies in the Hong Kong Film Archive



An old image of Holy Cross Church



Crossing the harbour on an old ferry



Showing pop culture, street art, legendary singer Kurt Cobain and his romantic musical culture, as well as the street dance and Muay Thai loved by youths

## Appendix

### About the Artwork

<b>Title of Work</b>	Adventures in Amazing Sai Wan Ho
<b>Artist</b>	Jasontommy
<b>Location</b>	Adit & shaft of the Sai Wan Ho Station external lift near Exit/Entrance A
<b>Medium of Creation</b>	Vinyl Sticker
<b>Dimensions</b>	Total in 137 square meters
<b>Concept</b>	Adventures in Amazing Sai Wan Ho illustrates the history and culture of Sai Wan Ho in Doodle- style, showing the neighbourhood's transformation from the old Taikoo dock to an energetic community nowadays.
<b>Artist Statement</b>	Using complex strokes and lines with a delicate combination of colours to outline the artist's magical imagination of life, Jasontommy aspires to integrate arts into the community and communicate with the public through the possibilities of illustration.
<b>Duration of creation</b>	2022 - 2023
<b>Materials &amp; Techniques</b>	Marker / Digital Output