

# SITE VISIT: KONG HA WAI



Date: 11 Jan 2025 (Saturday)

Time: 10:00am to 12:30pm

Speaker: Mr. Patrick SIU, Dr. HungA CHAN and Mr. Caspar YAM

Venue: D.D. 106 Lot 1342

(Meeting point: Entrance of the Mansion)

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### About the CPD:

Initiated by the Henderson Land Development Co. Ltd, Kong Ha Wai is an Eclecticism residential compound currently undergoing its meticulous revitalisation process. Its mansion, entrance gate and servants' quarters are 90 years old Grade III historic structures, first completed in 1935 and has long been a regional landmark in the Kam Tin and Pat Heung Area. The conservation process will enhance its magnificent architectural fabric, as well as promulgate the region's multi-faceted cultural significance as one of Hong Kong earliest settlements.

Constructed in the 1930s by Mr. Wong Fong Kiu, an Indonesia-returned Chinese merchant, KHW demonstrates interchange of cultural values through its mix of Hakka, Chiuchow and Nanyang architectural design. With its well-preserved construction materials and tools, it showcases the application and development of early prefabrication techniques in Hong Kong. Proactively responding to the societal changes throughout its ninety years lifespan, the Compound had accommodated more than ten different functions, relating the Compound to the major development phases of Hong Kong and leaving a transformative nature for future interpretation.

## **About the Speakers:**

#### Mr. Patrick SIU

Patrick SIU is a dedicated professional with a passion for heritage conservation and project management. He is a Member of the Hong Kong Institute of Architectural Conservationists (HKICON) and the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (HKIS), as well as an alumnus of the Architectural Conservation Programme (ACP).

Currently serving as an Assistant General Manager at Henderson Land Development Co. Ltd., Patrick has been fortunate to work on several meaningful heritage conservation projects throughout his carrier. He served as the Project Manager for the Revitalisation of Historic Buildings Through Partnership Scheme - Batch 1, which transformed the Old Tai O Police Station into the Tai O Heritage Hotel. He was also privileged to be one of the Project Managers involved in Tai Kwun, a significant revitalisation project in Central. Patrick is now working on the revitalisation of Kong Ha Wai Mansion, a 90-year-old Grade 3 historic buildings in Yuen Long. He is grateful for the opportunity to contribute to preserving Hong Kong's cultural heritage and remains committed to learning and growing in this important field.

# Dr. HungA CHAN

HungA CHAN is a Photographer and an Architectural conservationist of Hong Kong Cultural Imaging Workshop. He was a UNESCO award winning director of HKSAR revitalization scheme of Tai O Heritage hotel. He introduced "Heritage Branding" on sustainable development. He participates La Biennale di Venezia 2008 as an exhibitor questioning about "The power mapping of Hong Kong cityscape". Besides,



he collaborated with AIA New York (Center for Architecture, NYC) produce the photo exhibition/Seminar of "Hong Kong at 15: Expanding the Public Realm". He also interested on Hong Kong history, research and directed the film "The Battle of Hong Kong" of the University of Hong Kong and plays a role as tutor of common core course "Property Rights, Built Heritage and Sustainable Development in Hong Kong."

HungA was graduated from the School of Design, Hong Kong Polytechnic University and obtained the BA in Photographic Design in 1994 with first class honors. He continued his study at University of Hong Kong and obtained MA in Literary and Cultural Studies in 1998, MSc (Conservation) in Architectural Conservation Programme (ACP) in 2009 and PhD in Real Estate and Construction Department (major in Film and Heritage Conservation). He is a member of Hong Kong institute of Architectural Conservationist (HKICON), Hong Kong Institute of Professional Photographer (HKIPP), Hong Kong International Photo Festival and the honorable chairman of VTC Design Alumni Association and the convenor of Hong Kong Built Heritage Alliance (HKBHA).

## Mr. Caspar YAM

Caspar YAM is a heritage practitioner with a track record in both urban and rural conservation. He holds a Bachelor Degree in Architectural Conservation from HKU and a Master Degree in World Heritage Studies from the Brandenburg University of Technology Cottbus-Senftenberg. With a strong passion in conserving the city's historic fabric, he actively participates in heritage identification and advocacy. He had previously worked on the census of Hong Kong's prewar Tonglaus and European houses, renaming of the Queen's Hill Camp Gurkha Temple and conservation of Yin Kong Village. He also plays a role as Lecturer/ Tutor at the Hang Seng University of Hong Kong and the University of Hong Kong on Heritage Management, Cultural Mapping and World Heritage. He is a professional member of HKICON and currently serves as a member of the Antiquities Advisory Board (AAB).