

# **Bishop Ho Ming Wah Association & Community Centre**

Registered Charity No.290398

To enhance & improve the quality of life of all residents, particularly Chinese, in London

## September 2023

Dear BHMWA Members & Friends

It's great to see so many of you attending the recent celebration of Mid-Autumn Festival. We are pleased to announce that from October the Community Centre will open on Saturdays on a trial basis. The new activities in the next quarter include classes on Yoga and Chinese painting, plus several special events. Hope you can find some activities that will be of interest to you.



Mid-Autumn Festival Lunch (Sep 23)

The independent examination of the Association's financial statements was completed. After two years of working under the pressure of financial constraints post-COVID, we faced a new challenge of high costs of living. In the 12 months to 31 March 2023, the Association incurred an operating deficit of £26,344. We shall give an update of what we have achieved and what we plan for future development at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Where the money came from:		What the money was spent on:	
Donations	16,191	Staff costs & premises costs	61,224
Charitable activities	16,276	Expenses on activities	11,726
Investment income	5,743	Governance costs & office expenses	2,600
Other income	10,996	Total Expenditure	£75,550
Total Income	£49,206	2022/23 Operating Deficit = £26,344	

Unfortunately the switching to a new bank account has taken a lot longer than expected. Please accept our apology for the inconvenience so caused. We'll notify you once the new account is up and running. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

We would like to acknowledge the contributions of our staff and supporters in helping us through a difficult year. Special thanks to Alastair Anson and Craig Norman, who stepped down as trustees after 30 years and 5 years of service respectively.

Alice Chan, Chair of BHMWA Council



To everyone who has supported us financially, and those who volunteered with us from April 2022 to August 2023.					
Bishop R O Hall Legacy Fund	M K Monument	Mei Ping Ling	Yuet Lan Hui		
Sin Family in memory of King	Leslie MEN	Wai Hong Chow	Jane Hsia		
Mr and Mrs Peter Chong	June Brook	Mandy Kwok	Nancy Ang		
In memory of late W.C. Li	Lam Ting Luk Lam	William Lee	Lin Ying Hui		
Cmdr Alastair Anson	Penny Robbins	Shirley Ng	Serena Lee		
Tom and Valerie Cummins	Sau Chun Chan	Chi Kai Lee	Ching Wan Liu		
Mr & Mrs Fu Hen Wong	Mr & Mrs S.K. Liu	Mooi Lam	Kenneth To		
St Paul's College	Michelle Wu	Florence Lam	Monita Chan		
Teresa & Sandra Ng	Mei Fong Chan	Wan Hang Yeung	Lily Wong		
In memory of Mr. Lam	Michael Tong	Nicole To	Stephen San		
Yuk Mui Chan	Wai Chan Chan	MER64	Hui Sum Yap		
LCCO Ltd	King Yu Tsang	Christina Ho	Anna Lee		
Dr Angela Anggiansa	Pierrette Bolton	Albert Lam	Revd Paul Lau		
Fontaine & Charles Li	Popei Lee	Diana Monger	Ivy Yau		
Xiu Qiong Mai	Judith and Ronald Lo	Ming Hee Chan	Janet Tang		
Eugene Ling	Revd Dr Sam Wells	Debbie Bondi	Lisa Su		
Eliza Kwong	Bob Demming	Craig Norman	Alice Chan		
Anonymous	殷琦侃中醫師	中醫藥研究所	Not in any order		

#### Special Events at the Community Centre



Autumn Walk: The Friars Aylesford Priory Date: Wednesday, 18 October Meeting point: 10.30am at Platform 3-7 Victoria Train Station Fee: £18 per person or £13 (with Freedom Pass) Please bring your own lunch or eat at The Friars café.

Latin Masterclass with Mr Konstantin Runkovsky

Date & time: Friday, 3 November from 3pm to 4pm
Fee: £5 per person; Guests pay £8; Observers pay £3
Besides demonstrating dance moves, Mr Runkovsky will offer advice to individual participants on how to improve their techniques.



# Christmas Fundraising Lunch at Chinatown

Date & Time: Friday, 8 December 2023 at 1:00pm Venue: New Loon Fung Restaurant, 42-43 Gerrard Street, London W1D 5QG (Phone 02072879026)

**Menu:** Selection of Cantonese Dim Sum, BBQ roast pork & roast duck, stir-fry vegetable, special fried rice and rice noodle.



Charges: £30 per head



**Opening Hours** 

11am to 4pm, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

Phone: 020 7766 1141 Mobile: 078346 11610 Edith Lau WhatsApp: +44 78346 11610 Email: <u>enquiry@bhmwa.com</u>

## Regular Activities at the Community Centre



New: Chinese Painting for Beginners Tutor: Mr. T M Chan Date & Time: Tuesdays, 1.30pm – 3.30pm from 17 October Fee: £13 per session; Guests pay £14 Materials: Bring your own ink, brushes and paper

# New: Yoga for Everyone (two classes)

Tutor: Ms. Lynn Mok Date: Saturdays from 21 October Time: 10am – 11am (Class A); 11:10am – 12:10 (Class B) Fee: £5 per session; Guests pay £6



# Latin Fun

Tutor: Ms. Janet Tang Date & Time: Fridays, 3pm – 4pm Fee: £4 per session



#### Line Dancing

Tutor: Mr. Stewart Bush Date & Time: Tuesdays, 12 noon – 1pm Fee: £4 per session

#### Sketching & Watercolour

Tutor: Mr. David Dai Date & Time: Thursdays, 2:15pm – 4:15pm Fee: £15 per session



### **Chinese Calligraphy**

Tutor: Mr. S C Yau Date & Time: Thursdays, 12:30pm – 2pm Fee: £13 per session





Tai Chi 18 & 24 Styles

Tutor: Ms. S C WongDate & Time: Thursdays & Fridays at 11amFee: £2 per session; Guests pay £3

#### Members Support Services

Our team is most happy to offer assistance with digital skills training, IT support, translation of documents, making telephone appointments or just having a chat.

Lunch on Fridays Date & Time: Fridays at 12:30pm Fee: £6.50 for Chinese-style lunch with soup; Guests pay £7.50	Chinese Mandarin (Pǔtōnghuà) Tutor: Edith Lau Date & Time: Thursdays, 1:15pm - 2:15pm Fee: £30 for 10 sessions			
Chat-after-Lunch at the Centre Host: Revd Paul Lau Topic: Highlights and lowlights retrospective 2 Date & Time: Friday, 24 November at 1:15pm	Chat-after-Lunch (online) Host: Revd Paul Lau & Dr Ronald Lo Topic: To be confirmed Date & Time: Monday, 20 Nov at 2pm			
Online Activities (on Zoom) - advanced booking is essential				
<ul> <li>TCM Health Talk by Dr Qikan Yin</li> <li>Topic: What is "Yin" deficiency in TCM? How to restore yin balance?</li> <li>Date &amp; Time: Wednesday, 6 December at 2pm Media: Online meeting</li> </ul>	Health Talk by Dr Ronald Lo Topic: Vitamins Date & Time: Monday, 30 October at 10.30am Media: Online meeting			
Chinese Painting (online) Tutor: William Cai Dates & Time: Tuesdays, 1pm - 2pm from 7 November to 12 December Fee: £60 for 6 sessions	Ma Wang Dui Dao Yin Shu (馬王堆導引 術) Qigong (Online) Tutor: Ms. Shirley Ng Dates & Time: Sundays, 9:30am – 10:30am Fee: £10 for 5 sessions			

#### Living in the UK Programme

This program is designed for those who have recently moved to the UK from Hong Kong. It aims to support individuals and families and help them successfully integrate into their new communities.



**Building Stronger Communities** 

**English Buddy Scheme (online)** Through one-to-one practice with a native speaker, you will improve your spoken English, whether you are learning for professional growth, social networking, or cultural awareness. Suitable for learners with English abilities at an intermediate level or above.

Dates & Time: To be arranged by the tutor and tutee

Fee: £35 for 4 sessions

New: Food for Our New Home (sponsored by the Greater London Authority) Between August 2023 to January 2024, fortnightly events will be held at the Centre with the new arrivals from Hong Kong in mind. Participants will come to socialise and meet new friends through sharing of meals and learning about food culture in the UK.

Limited to 40 places per event. Advanced booking is necessary to secure a place.