



THE HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS COUNTRY REPORT 2021

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1. Brief History of the Institute

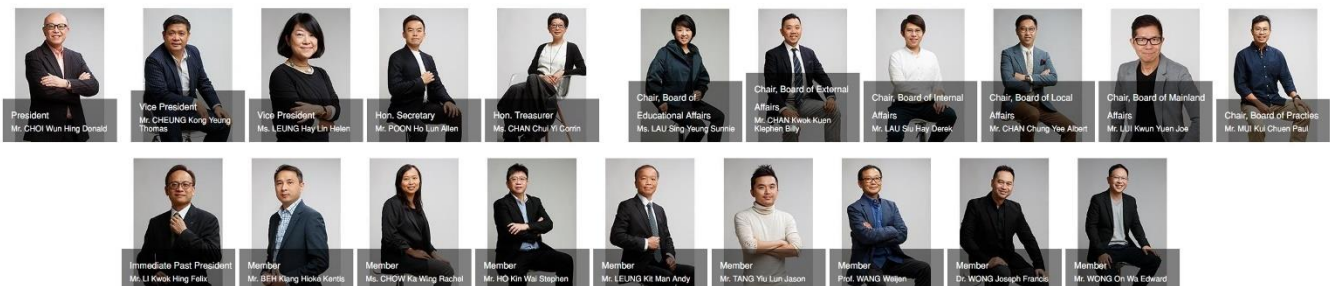
On 3rd September 1956, 27 architects gathered and formed a Society “for the general advancement of Civil Architecture and for promoting and facilitating the acquirement of the knowledge of the various Arts and Sciences.” Thus The Hong Kong Society of Architects was formed. On 7th May, 1957, the first amendments were made, to stand for over two and a half years. During the period the membership of the Society increased by 50% and recognition was given by Royal Institute of British Architects as an Allied Society. In accord with this growth, further amendments were made to come into effect on 3rd November 1959. By the end of 1962, the Society expanded to a membership seven times as large as that first body of Foundation Members. The change of name from Society to Institute was effected in 1972 and this initiated a new phase of activities for the Institute. In 1990, The Hong Kong Institute of Architects Incorporation Ordinance (Chapter 1147) was enacted which governs the running of the Institute since then. HKIA also operates a representative office in Beijing since 2006 with an aim to promote Hong Kong architects’ professional services in the Mainland.

2. Current Office Bearers of the Institute

- Ar. CHOI Wun Hing Donald (President)
- Ar. CHEUNG Kong Yeung Thomas (Vice President)
- Ar. LEUNG Hay Lin Helen (Vice President)
- Ar. POON Ho Lun (Honorary Secretary)
- Ar. CHAN Chui Yi Corrin (Honorary Treasurer)

The Institute is governed by a Council consisting of five Office Bearers and eight Ordinary Members of the Council, the Immediate Past President (ex-officio member) and Chairmen of six Boards. Appointed by the Council, six Boards are formed to deal with specific areas in the objectives of the Institute, they are:-

- The Board of Educational Affairs
- The Board of External Affairs
- The Board of Internal Affairs
- The Board of Local Affairs
- The Board of Mainland Affairs
- The Board of Practices



The Patron of HKIA is The Honourable Mrs. Carrie LAM, Chief Executive, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR).

Daily running of the Institute is supported by a Chief Operating Officer and a team of Secretariat of around 30 persons.

3. Current Membership Strength

<u>Individual Membership</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Annual Subscription (US\$)¹</u>
Member	3,885	308
Graduate Member	585	77
Non-Resident Member	44	154
Fellow	188	462
Associate	36	308
Affiliate	9	154
Student Member	19	13
Retired Member	37	128
Retired Fellow	4	128
Honorary Fellow	12	Waived
Total:	4,819	

(Statistics as of 14 September 2021)

<u>Corporate Membership</u>		
w/ 1-9 HKIA members	91	462
w/ 10-19 HKIA members	52	615
w/ 20-29 HKIA members	14	923
w/ 30-39 HKIA members	7	1231
w/ 40 or more HKIA members	38	1538
Total:	202	

(Statistics as of 10 June 2021)

List of Architectural Practices

For detailed list of HKIA Registered Practices and their services by category, please visit the links below:

- HKIA List of Registered Practices - <https://www.hkia.net/en/architects-practices/registered-practices.html?action=search>
- HKIA Directory of Architectural Practices - <https://www.hkia.net/en/knowledge-resource/hkia-publications.html#hkia-directory>
- Architectural and Associated Consultants Selection Board (AACSB) List of Consultants in Architectural Category - Band 1 and 2 - <https://www.archsd.gov.hk/en/consultants-contractors/consultants/list-of-consultants-of-aacsb.html>
- List of HKIA Band 3 Architectural Consultants - <https://www.hkia.net/en/architects-practices/general-information-for-practice.html?id=129>

4. Budget of the Institute

Funds are largely raised through membership annual subscription. Budget is approved by the Council and audited accounts would be presented to the General Membership in the Annual General Meeting. Office Bearers are empowered to execute payment of Institute's expenses.

¹ Based on the exchange rate of HK\$7.8 = USD\$1

5. Number of Chapters

There is no Chapter affiliated to the Institute in Hong Kong.

6. Annual General Meeting of the Institute

There are three Quarterly General Meetings and one Annual General Meeting per year for collective decision making. Annual election is held in the Third Quarterly General Meeting in September.

7. Legal Status of the Institute

The Institute is recognised by the Government of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region as the representative professional body of the Architects in Hong Kong. It is enacted under the Hong Kong Institute of Architects Incorporation Ordinance (CAP 1147) of the Laws of Hong Kong. The Institute is the only professional body offering professional accreditation of Architects in Hong Kong for admission to be Registered Architects under the Architects Registration Ordinance (CAP 408).

8. Legal Status of the Architect in Hong Kong

The title “Architect” is protected under the Architects Registration Ordinance (please refer to: <http://www.arb.org.hk/TheArchitects-2.html>). The yearly fee for renewal of a Registered Architect is HK\$1,300 (US\$167).

9. Architects Registration Authority in Hong Kong

There is a registration body for the Architects in Hong Kong, namely Architects Registration Board (ARB), HKSAR. Applicants satisfying the qualifications for registration as stipulated under Section 13 of the Ordinance are eligible to apply. As of 4 October 2021, there are 3,997 Registered Architects in total.

Under the Architects Registration Ordinance, ten Members of the Architects Registration Board are appointed by the Council of the Hong Kong Institute of Architects plus one Member appointed by the Hong Kong SAR Government.

10. International Affiliations of the Institute

HKIA is committed to participating in the activities organised by its international affiliates. The Institute is a Member of the International Union of Architects (UIA), Commonwealth Association of Architects (CAA) and ARCASIA. HKIA has set up the UIA Committee and the ARCASIA/CAA Committee under the Board of External Affairs.

Ar. Joseph KWAN and Ar. Stephen HO of HKIA were nominated as Director and Deputy Director to UIA Region IV WP “Architectural for All” for the term 2017-2021. Ar. Joseph KWAN is also nominated as UIA representative to ISO.

Members of the Committees represent the Institute to the below UIA Work Programmes (WP) and ARCASIA’s Committees:-

UIA Commissions:

- Membership of UIA “Education Commission”
- Membership of UIA “Professional Practice Commission”
- Membership of UIA “International Competition Commission”
- Membership of UIA “Sustainable Development Goals Commission”

UIA Work Programmes:

- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Architectural for All”
- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Architecture and Children”
- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Heritage and Cultural Identity”
- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Community Architecture: Architecture and Human Rights”
- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Intermediate Cities: Urbanism and Architects Learning Platform (UIA-CIMES)”
- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Public Health”
- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Educational and Cultural Spaces”
- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Public Spaces”

UIA Committee

- International Women in Architecture

ARCASIA Committees:

- Membership of ARCASIA Committee of Architectural Education
- Membership of ARCASIA Committee on Professional Practice
- Membership of ARCASIA Committee on Social Responsibility
- Membership of ARCASIA Committee on Green and Sustainable Architecture
- Membership of ARCASIA Committee on Young Architects
- Membership of ARCASIA Fellowship

CAA Committee:

- Membership of CAA Education Committee

The Institute was represented in the following meetings/webinars and visits online, hybrid, or outside Hong Kong during 10/2020 to 09/2021:



<u>Items</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Date</u>
• UIA SDGC Meeting	Online	Regular – once per month 5 Oct 2020
• UIA Webinar – World Architecture Day 2020: Toward A Better Urban Future	Online	5 Oct 2020
• UIA SDG Webinar – Launch of “An Architecture Guide to the UN 17 Sustainable Development Goals Volume 2”	Online	30 Oct 2020
• ACGSA webinar – Redefining Sustainability Through Vernacular Wisdom	Online	7 Nov 2020
• AEA Webinar – Co-inventing Built Environment: ARCASIA COVID-19 Guidelines	Online	21 Nov 2020
• ARCASIA Webinar – Meet the TOY 2020 Winners	Online	6 Mar 2021
• ACSR Meeting	Online	13 Mar 2021
• UIA RIV Presidents Meeting	Online	16 Mar 2021
• UIA PPC Meeting	Online	25 Mar 2021
• ACGSA Webinar – The Evolution of Urban Resilience & Sustainable Future	Online	3 Apr 2021
• UIA WP Educational and Cultural Spaces Meeting	Online	8 Apr 2021
• Visit to Xiongan New Area	Xiongan, China	10 Apr 2021
• Meeting with Shenzhen Exploration & Design Association	Online	20 Apr 2021
• Tsinghua University’s 110 th Anniversary Think Tank Symposium “Accessibility and Future Habitat: Inclusion, Sharing, and Insights”	Online	9 May 2021
• UIA RIV Presidents Meeting	Online	18 May 2021
• CAA CPD Webinar Series Season 2: The Impact of COVID-19	Online	20 May 2021
• UIA International Women Architects Committee Meeting	Online	21 May 2021
• Visit to Explore Raffles City The Bund	Shanghai, China	5 Jun 2021
• ISO/TC 59/SC 16 "Accessibility and usability of the built environment" Review Meeting	Online	23-24 Jun 2021
• Canberra Accord General Meeting	Online	24-25 Jun 2021
• UIA General Assembly and Council Meeting	Online	18-30 Jul 2021
• ARCASIA Cross Committee Dialogue Series – Connect 1.0	Online	24 Jul 2021
• UIA RIV Presidents Meeting	Online	26 Aug 2021
• HKTDC: Belt and Road Forum	Hybrid	1-2 Sep 2021

- HKTDC: Belt and Road Global Forum Annual Roundtable Hybrid 3 Sep 2021
- ARCASIA Cross Committee Dialogue Series – Connect 2.0 Online 4 Sep 2021
- AAM Webinar - Barrier Free Design of Architecture Online 4 Sep 2021
- ARCASIA Ar Barry WILL Award 2021 Interview Session Online 11 Sep 2021
- Adjudication of the 5th Edition Baku International Architecture Prize 2021 Online 28-30 Sep 2021

As one of the member economies of APEC Architects Project, an APEC Architect Project Monitoring Committee, Hong Kong China, has been set up to operate a section of the APEC Architect Register for the enrolment of APEC Architects registered in Hong Kong.

Besides, HKIA has been working closely with the Government and Mainland counterparts to facilitate and equip members to obtain registration and practice in Mainland China. Since 2011, a total of 249 HKIA members who had attained PRC Class I Architect Qualification have taken the CEPA legal examinations organised by the Department of Housing and Urban-Rural Development of Guangdong Province and all of them passed the exams.

11. Major Programmes and Activities of the Institute during 10/2020 to 10/2021

International / Regional Conference / Symposium and Meetings

General Meeting of the Canberra Accord

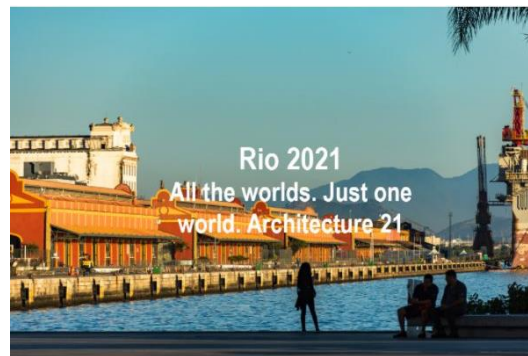
HKIA was invited to attend the online Canberra Accord General meeting held on 24-25 Jun 2021. Architects Registration Board (ARB) Chairman Ar. Benny CHAN, ARB Education & Accreditation Committee Chair Ar. SO Ching, Board of Educational Affairs (BEaA) Chair Ar. Sunnie LAU and Deputy Chair Ar. Rosman WAI attended the meeting and presented the current applications handling by HKIA and ARB's for HKIA Membership and Registered Architects from architectural graduates of Canberra Accord signatories.

BEaA Deputy Chair Ar. Rosman WAI was nominated to be the Canberra Accord Chair for the term 2021-2023.



UIA World Congress – Rio 2021

HKIA President Ar. Donald CHOI, Board of External Affairs Chair Ar. Billy CHAN, UIA Committee Chair Ar. Lawrence LEUNG attended the UIA2021RIO World Congress of Architects and General Assembly online on 18-30 Jul 2021. With the theme of “All the worlds, just one world. Architecture 21”, HKIA shared the experience and measures HKIA taken during COVID-19. UIA Council election was held concurrently with the Assembly, Ar. José-Luis CORTÉS has been elected as President of UIA for the term 2021-2023.



Mainland Activities

Webinar on 30th Anniversary of the Promulgation of the Basic Law – Strategies in Greater Bay Area for Professionals

Hong Kong Coalition of Professional Services (HKCPS) organised a webinar in conjunction of the 30th Anniversary of the Promulgation of the Basic Law on 18 Nov 2020. HKIA Board of Mainland Affairs Deputy Chair Ar. KC TAM shared his views on the opportunities of Hong Kong Architects in Greater Bay Area under the latest regulations.



Exchange Session on “Hong Kong Engineering Construction Consultant Enterprises and Professionals Starting Business and Practising in Greater Bay Area”

The Legislative Council member the Hon Tony TSE office organised the exchange session for industry representatives to exchange their views on the business starting and practising in Greater Bay Area on 1 Feb 2021. HKIA Immediate Past President Ar. Felix LI attended the session and shared the views in architect perspective for government’s consideration.



Visit to Xiongan New Area

A visit to Xiongan New Area in Hebei, China was held on 10 Apr 2021 to introduce the development concept and planning for the New Area to members. The tour visited the complex tube and commercial centre project of the China Construction Eighth Engineering Division Corp. Ltd. in the New Area.



Symposium on Future Direction and Prospects of Collaboration between Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macau Engineering Design Industries

A symposium organised by Shenzhen Exploration & Design Association, supported by HKSAR Development Bureau, was held on 20 Apr 2021 with the theme "To deepen cooperation among Hong Kong, Guangdong and Macao Design Institutes". Board of Mainland Affairs Chair Ar. Joe LUI and HKIA member Ar. Ivan FU attended the symposium and shared the experience and challenges of conducting construction projects encountering by Hong Kong construction consultants in Mainland China.



Local Newspaper Wenweipo Special Interview on Greater Bay Area Development

A detailed special interview with local newspaper Wenweipo was issued on 2 Aug 2021 on the topic on Greater Bay Area development. HKIA President Ar. Donald CHOI, Past President Ar. Marvin CHEN and Immediate Past President Ar. Felix LI shared the Hong Kong Architectural Full Services System, the challenges and limitations on the regulation as well as cultural differences between Hong Kong and Mainland China.

[Full interview \(Traditional Chinese only\)](#)



Overseas Exhibition

The 17th Venice Biennale International Architectural Exhibition (VB2020)

The Venice exhibition is held from 22 May to 21 Nov 2021. A pre-recorded congratulatory video for the commencement in Venice was produced with welcoming messages from HKIA President & VB Chief Curator Ar. Donald CHOI, HKIABF Chair Ar. Helen LEUNG, HKADC Chief Executive Winsome CHOW and Head of CreateHK Victor TSANG.

The virtual exhibition and respond exhibition in Hong Kong would be held in Oct-Dec 2021.

[Exhibition website \(Venice\)](#)

[Exhibition website \(Hong Kong and virtual exhibition\)](#)



總策展人及香港建築師學會會長

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Donald Choi

Chief Curator and President of The Hong Kong Institute of Architects

2019 HKIA Cross-Strait Architectural Design Symposium and Awards (CADSA) Roving Exhibition in Macau

CADSA 2019 was successfully held in 2019 with international speakers and professionals shared the excellence architectural design projects across the Cross-Strait regions.



The roving exhibitions of the awarded projects of CADSA 2019 were initially planned to be carried out in early 2020, yet with the COVID-19 outbreak, the roving exhibitions were all postponed or changed to virtual exhibition.

The Macau roving exhibition was held from 8 to 21 Jul 2021 at the Macao Science Centre.

Website: <https://www.hkia.net/cadsa/2019/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/hkiacadsa/>



Local Symposium and Exhibition

HKIA Architecture Exhibition in Los Angeles (L.A. Exhibition) – Response Exhibition in Hong Kong

The response exhibition showcased 12 exhibits at Atrium, Nina Mall, Tsuen Wan from 30 Oct - 9 Nov 2020. Four VIP guided tours were held on 30 Oct 2020. Around 30 participants, including HKIA President Ar. Felix LI, Venue Sponsor Chinachem Group representatives, Create Hong Kong's representatives, Curators and Exhibitors participated in the event.



HKIA Belt and Road Forum 2021

HKIA organised HKIA Belt and Road Forum 2021 with the theme “Retrospect and Prospect of Belt and Road Construction Projects” on 16-17 Apr 2021. With the COVID-19 outbreak around the world, the 2-day Forum was held in hybrid mode with over 2,000 participants. We were honoured to have The Honourable Mrs Carrie LAM, GBM, GBS, Chief Executive of HKSAR as the Guest of Honour. ARCASIA President Ar. Rita SOH was invited to give an opening speech and participated in the panel discussion with fellow speakers from belt and road regions.



Awards and Competitions

HKIA Annual Awards 2019/20

HKIA Annual Awards is organised every year to give recognition to outstanding architecture designed by our members. The award has been established since 1965 and has been well recognized as the most important architectural award in Hong Kong.



Result of HKIA Annual Awards 2019/20 was announced with a Prize Presentation Ceremony on 23 Nov 2020. Exhibition of the awarded projects was held on 23-29 Nov 2020 with a VR exhibition record.

[Full list of Awarded projects](#) / [Snapshots of ceremony](#) / [Exhibition](#)



HKIA Gold Medal Award 2020

First established in 2020, the HKIA Gold Medal is an annual award to HKIA Member, Fellow or a group of individuals with distinguished achievements and significant contribution to the architectural profession in Hong Kong.

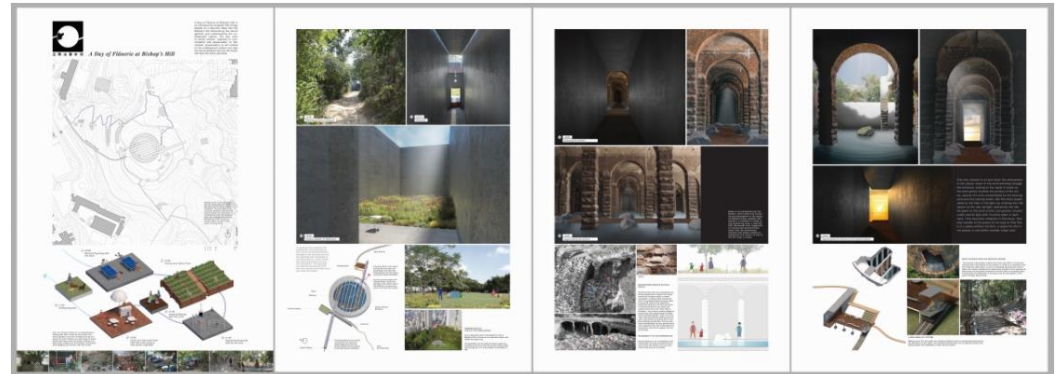
The first HKIA Gold Medal 2020 Recipient is HKIA Past President Ar. James Hajime KINOSHITA. Ar. KINOSHITA received the Medal in HKIA AGM 2020 and gave an inspiring speech to HKIA members.



HKIA Young Architect Award 2020

HKIA encourages young architects to contribute their talent proactively in upholding the professional, art and cultural developments of Hong Kong.

The theme of HKIA Young Architect Award 2020 is “Revitalization of Bishop Hill Underground Cistern”. The design proposal from Ar. WONG Sau Yin Samuel awarded the 2020 YAA Award.



HKIA Idea Design Competition 2020 - Entrance Gateway Design for Victoria Park Lunar New Year Fair 2021

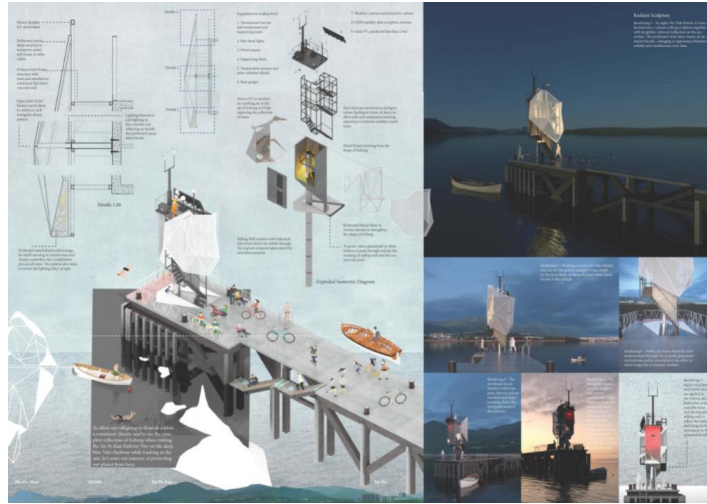
The objective of the competition is to open up more platforms for young architects to deliver public works by competition. Architectural Services Department of the HKSARG is the supporting organisation of the competition.

The winning design “The Gate of Blessing 紅運鑼頭” was implemented for the Victoria Park Lunar New Year Fair 2021.



Design Competition for Hong Kong Observatory Tide Gauge Station at Tai Po Kau

With establishment of almost 60 years, the existing Tide Gauge Station was in need for a renovation. The Hong Kong Observatory co-organised the competition with HKIA to let young architects implementing their creation with functional structure for the Tide Gauge Station. The competition Award was presented in AGM 2021 to project “Revealing the Tip of the Iceberg”.



Transitional Housing Architectural Design Idea Competition for Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) Eco-Village

Architectural Design Idea Competition for SDG Eco Village Transitional Housing at Kam Tin is a competition organised by the Professional Green Building Council (PGBC) aiming to incorporate sustainable development principles (17 UNSDG goals) into a Transitional Housing project that helps alleviate the difficulties of the needy due to the housing shortage.

The Co-organisers are The Hong Kong Institute of Architects (HKIA) and The Hong Kong Construction Association (HKCA). The Competition is also supported by the Hong Kong Council of Social Service (HKCSS), Hong Kong Lutheran Social Service (HKLSS), the Transport and Housing Bureau and the Environment Bureau of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.

The Award winner goes to project “Steps”. Jury comments and virtual exhibition on [PGBC website](#)



Community Events

Eco Expo Asia–International Trade Fair on Environmental Protection 2021 on 27 Oct – 6 Nov 2021

The Expo is jointly organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC) and Messe Frankfurt (HK) Ltd, and co-organised by the Environment Bureau of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government.

The theme of the Expo is “Less Carbon, Less Waste • Green Innovation”, showcasing a wide range of environmental products and solutions, in particular waste management and energy efficiency from Hong Kong, Mainland China, Asia and the global green tech community.

Expo website: <http://m.hktdc.com/fair/ecoexpoasia-en/Eco-Expo-Asia-International-Trade-Fair-on-Environmental-Protection.html>



Inclusive Environment Recognition Scheme

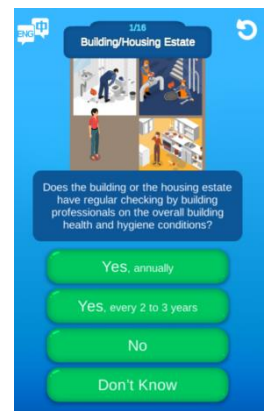
With the development of the society, the approach to design of our buildings, to facilitate the use of the less abled persons, is no longer limited to the provisions for barrier free facilities only. Especially in Hong Kong, the number of the aging population is growing fast. Therefore it is about time for Hong Kong architects to embrace the Universal Design approach so as to increase the potential for developing a better quality of life for a wide range of individuals.



HKIA Healthy City Initiative under COVID-19

With the attack of COVID-19 and the “new live” under the pandemic, HKIA formed a Volunteer Group and initiated different activities and community projects to help the needy overcome the hard times.

HKIA organised series of public webinars since early 2020 to increase the public awareness on the importance of healthy building and created a mobile application to share the knowledge of healthy building with the importance of its continuous maintenance though simple quiz. [Online version quiz](#)



Outreach to schools and community centres were held throughout the year to distribute caring packs with facial masks, hand wash and hand-made cookies were given to the families. HKIA also raised funds and computers for donation to less-privileged families for their study at home with internet access.



Events / Activities Increase the Sense of Belonging of Members

Donald's Chat Room



New Members Certificate Presentation Ceremony on 7 Aug 2021



HKIA CPD Events

Given the rapid development in the industry at this knowledge-based economy, mandatory participation in continuing professional development (CPD) would help to ensure that professionals meet up-to-date requirements and catch up with the latest news, ideas and technological advancements through ongoing education and training. Being a professional institution, HKIA takes initiative in the advancement of CPD and members are required to comply with the mandatory CPD requirements for renewal and reinstatement of HKIA membership since 1 January 2003. Throughout the year, the Institute organises various CPD activities for members to participate. CPD activities organised by the Institutes during Oct 2020 and Sep 2021:



- HKIA x CIC Seminar on parametric design for architecture – Building Simplicity in Post-digital Architecture Practice
- Integrity Capacity Building Workshop on Managing Relationship with Public Servants
- 2020 HKIA x AAM Joint CPD Seminar on Macau: A MediterrAsian City in China
- HKIA x CIC Webinar on parametric design for architecture – Parametric Design & Execution, Project Implementation + Benefits
- CPD Sharing Session – Design DNA of Mark I Hong Kong’s Public Housing Prototype
- 2020 HKIA x AAM Joint CPD seminar on Planning with the community
- CPD seminar on Becoming an Authorized Person Series AP Sharing 2020 – 1st session
- CPD seminar on Hoi Ha Visitor Centre and Che Kung Temple Sports Centre
- An update on Exterior Timbers and Composites
- CPD seminar on Becoming an Authorized Person Series AP Sharing 2020 – 2nd session
- HKIA x CIC Webinar on Architectural Conceptual Design using BIM
- CPD Seminar on Quarantine Facilities in Hong Kong and Hong Kong Children Hospital
- CPD Sharing Session by CPD Research Fund Awardees - 1st Session
- CPD Supplier Technical Seminar on Architectural Glass & Sustainability Trend
- CPD Seminar on Liveable City and Humanizing Hong Kong Urban Environment
- Enabling of Low Embodied Carbon Design using the CIC Carbon Assessment Tool
- CPD Research Fund Awardees Sharing – 2nd session – Senior Dwelling Design
- Seeing is believing – The First MiC Hospital in Hong Kong
- Joint HKIA-HKIS-HKIE-HKICM CPD Webinar on Digital Construction and the Way Forward
- Building Quarantine Camps to Combat COVID 19 – SMART MiC 面面觀
- New Trends in Sustainable Design: from Building-oriented to Human-oriented Design 01 – Case #1 Learning from “ZEB at SDE@NUS” – as designer and as user – What, How and When?
- CPD Sharing on HKIA Annual Awards 2019-2020 – 1st Session iADC Design Museum
- Joint HKIA-HKU-HKIS-HKIE-HKICM CEO Talk cum CPD Webinar
- CPD Seminar on “New Trends in Sustainable Design: from Building-oriented to Human-oriented Design 02 - Biophilia, Biophilic Design and Wellness for Whom?”
- ICAC Series: Integrity Capacity Building Workshop – Corruption Prevention in Contract Letting

- Joint HKIA-HKICM Site Visit for “Innovative Construction Method of Bathroom with Modular Integrated Construction (MiC)”
- CPD Research Fund Awardees Sharing 3rd Session – Hong Kong Signboards
- CPD Sharing on HKIA Annual Awards 2019-2020 2nd Session - Restoration of Duddell Street Steps and Gas Lamps
- CPD Research Fund Awardees Sharing 4th Session – Coastal Marine Community Developments
- CPD Sharing on HKIA Annual Awards 2019-2020 3rd Session – Shenzhen Longhua Book City
- CPD Research Fund Awardees Sharing 5th Session – Hong Kong Theatre Design Development

12. Key Issues Facing the Architects/Architectural Profession/ Institute in Hong Kong

Promotion of BIM and Other Green Building Design Standards

Sustainability and social responsibility have always been hot topics on the table. It is not only about adopting some one-off green architectural designs but also evaluating if the initiatives or policies are sustainable in the long run such that mutual respect between human and nature, and among various cultures, could be maintained. By keeping such belief in mind, HKIA would be paying more efforts to encourage members and architectural firms to adopt BIM and other green building design standards such that a more livable community could be built.

Opportunities for Younger Generation of the Profession

One of the major missions of the current term of HKIA Council is to explore more opportunities for the young architects in Hong Kong, the Greater Bay Area and even Belt and Road regions. It is hoped that other member organisations could cooperate with HKIA to provide continuous support on exploring opportunities for the younger generation of our profession in order to help them to pursue their dreams and to achieve more in their architectural path. It would be grateful to see a closer collaboration between ARCASIA member organisations through forums, exhibitions, both idea and design-and-built competitions.

The Belt and Road Initiative

HKIA keeps proactively engaged in the development of the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) which is a development strategy proposed by PRC President Xi Jinping to focus on connectivity and cooperation with Eurasian countries, primarily the PRC, the land-based Silk Road Economic Belt and the oceangoing Maritime Silk Road.

Since HKIA became a member of the Belt and Road Global Forum which is managed by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC) since 2018, HKIA has been leveraging this global platform to maintain a relationship with Chinese mainland and international organizations and associations to receive the latest updates on the development of the BRI. It is hoped that Hong Kong architects and architectural firms would be fully engaged in the BRI and reap many benefits by jointly promoting sustainable development of the Belt and Road while assisting the development of the ARCASIA countries or regions in need.

The Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macau Greater Bay Area

Apart from the BRI, PRC has been largely promoting the development of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macau Greater Bay Area (Greater Bay Area) which comprises the two Special Administrative Regions of Hong Kong and Macau, and the nine municipalities of Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Zhuhai, Foshan, Huizhou, Dongguan, Zhongshan, Jiangmen and Zhaoqing in Guangdong Province. It is planned that the Greater Bay Area could become an international first-class bay area ideal for living, working and travelling by leveraging the comparative advantages of every Greater Bay Area city to the largest extent.

For Hong Kong architects and architectural practices who would like to seek more opportunities in the Greater Bay Area, HKIA will continue to work closely with the HKSAR, Macau and Guangdong Government to introduce the latest development of the Greater Bay Area, as well as to collect and share the knowledge and resources about resolution of disputes arising from the variance of Hong Kong and Mainland systems.

Hong Kong Architects' Full Range of Professional Services in Project Management

HKIA keeps promoting Hong Kong architects' unique edges, "Architects' Full Services System" in numerous forums, seminars, articles, interviews and public occasions in Hong Kong, the Mainland and overseas to the largest extent.

The Full Services system refers to Hong Kong architects and architectural practices, as appointed by the developer or property owner, could provide services from inception, feasibility studies, outlining schematic proposals, providing project design, to contract documentation and supervision of building construction. The advantages of taking "Architect Full Services System" are enabling architects to ensure the construction quality and building safety throughout the design and construction period.

With the opportunities arising from the BRI and the Greater Bay Area, HKIA wishes Hong Kong architects and architectural practices to cooperate with Mainland firms to adopt this highly efficient system in the construction projects along the Belt and Road and Greater Bay Area regions. Meanwhile, HKIA is also assisting Mainland government departments to get a correct understanding on the Hong Kong Authorised Person system in construction field.

13. Resources of the Institute

The Institute maintains a full calendar of events ranging from Biennale Exhibitions, Continuing Professional Development seminars, HKIA Annual Awards, competitions, architectural walks, joint-institutes forums and symposia at all levels of society to cross-boundaries architectural biennales beyond Hong Kong. Many enthusiastic members contribute to make the events successful.

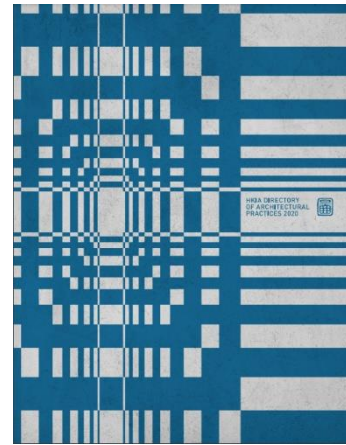
The Institute also dispatches the following publication and e-information for circulation to Members and allied institutions, both local and overseas:

HKIA Weekly

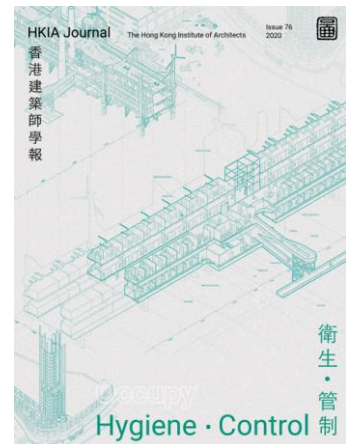
The HKIA Daily was rebranded to HKIA Weekly since May 2021, sending members a weekly basis newsletter to keep our members posted of our weekly programmes, latest actions, highlights of the latest local and Mainland architectural news, CPD events as well as international associations' activities in the coming weeks.

HKIA Directory of Architects Practices (Annual Publication)

<https://www.hkia.net/en/knowledge-resource/hkia-publications.html#hkia-directory>

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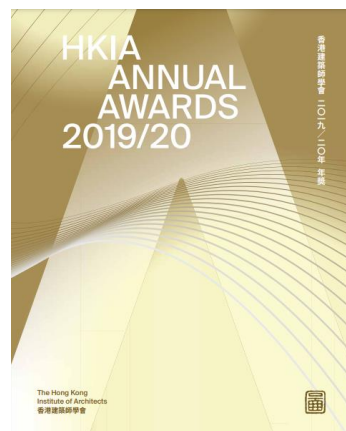
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**Annual Report (Annual Publication)**

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**HKIA Annual Awards (Annual Publication)**

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14. Plans for the Future

The Institute continues to work towards the enhancement of networking, both in terms of internal communication amongst fellow practices and promotion in the international arena. Outreaching to the public in Hong Kong and to the architectural community overseas for promotion of architecture remains the Institute's key objective. Exploration of co-operative opportunities with allied professional institutes, local and overseas, and public education would be the Institute's core business in the near future. In particular, we will work in close collaboration with government regulators and numerous stakeholders in the construction industry and creative industry with the aim of building a better livable city for people. Below are the highlights of events of the Institute in the near future.

HKIA 65th Anniversary Celebrations

HKIA established on 3 Sep 1956, it comes to the 65th Anniversary in 2021. To commemorate HKIA's accomplishments in serving our fellow architects as well as contributing to the society over decades, and take a step forward to connect with the community, a series of celebration events will be carried out spanning over from Oct 2021 to Nov 2022.

With a theme "**Architecture for People 人人建築**", HKIA will align a series of activities of the past, present, and future to reiterate the humanity side of Hong Kong Architects and architecture, and to embrace the community with our designs and professionalism.



The kick-off event of the celebration was held on 11 Sep 2021, HKIA President Ar. Donald CHOI and Council members had a conversation with the local root families in Tsuen Wan, sharing the expectations on community and city planning. The tentative plan for the upcoming celebration activities including volunteer activities, competitions, exhibitions, annual ball and publications. Stay tuned with HKIA on the release of event details! [HKIA website](#)



HKIA Annual Awards

The Hong Kong Institute of Architects Annual Awards is handed out in recognition of outstanding architecture achievements by members of HKIA. The award began in 1965 and is one of the most important architectural awards given out in Hong Kong in acknowledging distinguished merits and in offering the much-needed opportunity for public admiration and appreciation.

Since 2007, the awards for the Medal of the Year are split into two categories: the HKIA Medal of the Year of Hong Kong and HKIA Medal of the Year outside Hong Kong. Both are awarded to the architect(s) of the selected Hong Kong and outside Hong Kong building(s) that deserve the highest honour; architect(s) of other buildings deserving an award will receive a HKIA Merit Award of Hong Kong and HKIA Merit Award outside Hong Kong. Entries are divided into the following four categories for assessment: Residential Buildings (high-rise & low-rise), Commercial Buildings, Community Buildings, and Industrial / Transport / Utility Buildings. We introduced Mixed-use(s) Buildings in HKIA Annual Awards 2016/17 in response to the solution to high space demand in compact and dense city.

The President's Prize is awarded to smaller projects with lower construction costs. The limit is lifted from \$20 million to \$50 million in 2012.

Established in 2001, the Special Architectural Award aims to acknowledge members who have carried out Hong Kong works or research of outstanding contribution to a particular architectural issue such as Heritage & Adaptive Re-use, sustainable Design, Architectural Research, Architectural Interior Accessibility, Urban Design and Technological Innovation. As Alteration and Addition Works have been considerably active in recent years, in 2008, we introduce the Alteration and Addition Works under the Special Architectural Award category. In 2009, the committee encouraged overseas projects to be submitted for the Special Architectural Award in an effort to lift the regional restrictions for this category. In order to meet up with the global trend of architecture, the Institute has re-organised the categories of the Special Architectural Award. In 2016-17, Architectural Interior and Urban Design are renamed to Interior and Urban Design and Master Planning respectively. Inclusive Design, and Architectural Sustainability are re-introduced.

Open call for nominations for HKIA Annual Awards 2021 will be started in Nov 2021.

Please stay tuned at HKIA Official Website:
<http://www.hkia.net>.

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Call for nominations
to start in Nov 2021

In view of the impact of COVID-19 pandemic to the architectural profession and construction industry, the nomination process for the next HKIA Annual Awards, for the year 2021, shall start in late November 2021.

This will allow additional 7 months for our fellow members on the preparations and submissions of projects competing for the honours.

Call for nominations will be announced at www.hkia.net.
Please stay tuned!



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2022 Bi-city Biennale of Urbanism/Architecture (UABBHK2022)



The 2022 Bi-City Biennale of Urbanism\Architecture (Hong Kong) (UABBHK2022), organised by The Hong Kong Institute of Architects Biennale Foundation (HKIABF), in conjunction with The Hong Kong Institute of Architects (HKIA), Hong Kong Institute of Planners (HKIP) and Hong Kong Designers Association (HKDA), and sponsored by Create Hong Kong (CreateHK) of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, is under preparation.

More details of UABBHK2022 will be released soon, stay tuned with us!

Event Information

Website: <http://uabbhk.org/en/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/uabbhk>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/uabbhk/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/uabbhk2019>

HKIA Architecture Exhibitions in Beijing, Hangzhou and New York

With the celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR), HKIA is planning to organise three architecture exhibitions in Beijing (China), Hangzhou (China) and New York (US) in Q2-4 2022. More details to be released in due course.