

The Little Prince meets the Pilot on the Dance Stage

CCDC Assistant Artistic Director Dominic Wong Directs and Choreographs *The Little Prince*
Take the Whole Family on a Planet-hopping Journey of Pure Delight This Summer!

[City Contemporary Dance Company] brings another exciting production for all ages this year, following the hugely popular contemporary dance theatre for the entire family *Journey to the West*. *The Little Prince*, based on the 1942 French children's literature classic *Le Petit Prince* is a brand new production directed and choreographed by CCDC Assistant Artistic Director Dominic Wong, in first collaboration with sand painting artist Hoi Chiu, who will perform live to depict key scenes of the story. The production also features more than 20 children dancers from CCDC Dance Centre. Together with CCDC company dancers, they will lead the audience onto a journey of pure delight through celestial worlds. ***The Little Prince* will be staged at the Auditorium, Sha Tin Town Hall from 11th to 13th August, 2017. Tickets are now available at URB TIX.**

The French original has been translated into more than 100 languages and the story has attracted a loyal following over the years with its sincere and moving story, delicate and heart-warming scenes, as well as its insightful and thought-provoking dialogues. The many memorable scenes in the book have made lasting impressions on the mind of its fans – one of them the **director and choreographer** of this production, **Dominic Wong**: “I grew up with this book. I found it moving in different ways as I re-read it at different stages of life. *The Little Prince* is not just a story for children, as it is just as delightful to read over and over again as an adult. The many scenes such as the meeting of the little prince with the pilot, the dialogue in the rose garden, as well as the taming of the fox have always lived vividly in my imagination. Through this production, I have the opportunity to make them come to life through dance as well as different media including sand art, videos and music.”

In order to highlight the connection between the dance theatre piece and the original novella and to enhance the theatrical atmosphere, CCDC has invited **sand painting artist Hoi Chiu** to take part in the creative process as well as the actual performance. He will also play the role of the pilot, while giving a live performance of his sand art to create the many key scenes of the story. “What fascinates me the most is the face of the little prince. How do I represent this widely popular role with sand art? Perhaps we each have our own idea about what the little prince should look like. I want to offer a wider space for the audience's imagination to roam and for them to experience this insightful, prophetic story all over again,” he said.

CCDC has also enlisted an exciting group of creative professionals to bring on stage an imaginative collection of set, costume, music and props, capturing the charmingly childlike and refreshingly artistic spirit of the book. **Outstanding young fashion designer Yeung Chin** will create a set of

modern and stylised costumes for the dancers, while **composer Patrick Ng** will combine light jazz and French influences in the music score, which he will perform live on stage. Local paper art group Stickyline will create a set of original paper masks for the dancers, all serving to bring to the audience an extraordinary *Le Petit Prince* experience.

The music for this production is commissioned by City Contemporary Dance Company in 2017 with sponsorship from CASH Music Fund

Contemporary Dance Theatre For Families *The Little Prince*

Performance: CCDC

Original Story	Antoine de SAINT-EXUPÉRY
Direction and Choreography	Dominic Wong
Rehearsal Master for Children Dancers	Ronly Kong
Sand Art & Live Performance	Hoi Chiu
Original Music & Live Performance	Patrick Ng
Set Designer	Yuen Hon-wai
Costume Designer	Yeung Chin
Lighting Designer	Lawmanray
Sound Designer	Ha Yan-pui
Paper Mask Creation	Stickyline

11-12.8.2017 (Fri-Sat) 7:30pm

12-13.8.2017 (Sat-Sun) 3pm

Auditorium, Sha Tin Town Hall

\$250, \$180, \$140

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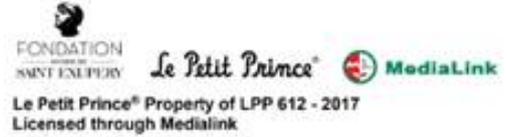
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<p>Open Rehearsal (Registration is required) 8.7.2017 (Sat) 11am ArtisTree Details to be announced on CCDC website</p>	<p>Exhibition 11-17.7.2017 Foyer Exhibition Area E1 Hong Kong Cultural Centre</p>
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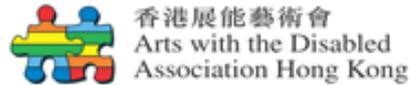
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