

Polling Results of the 2010 Nomination of Representatives of
 Arts Interests for the Hong Kong Arts Development Council

The 2010 nomination exercise to return representatives of arts interests for the Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC) ended yesterday (September 19). Of the 7,071 registered voters, 1,909 turned out to vote for their representatives in the eight contested arts interests. The voter turnout rate was 27%.

Upon completion of polling at 9pm yesterday, ballots were immediately counted. The following candidates received the highest number of votes in the eight contested arts interests:

Arts Interests	Candidates	Votes Received
Arts Administration	Mr Wu Shou-nan (NG Kang Fai)	650
Arts Education	Ms Choi Tsz-kwan	260
Dance	Mr Ho Ho-chuen	814
Film Arts	Mr To Kei-fung	781
Literary Arts	Mr Choi Yick-wai	467
Music	Ms Fei Barbara	801
Visual Arts	Mr Lee Kam-yin	649
Chinese Opera (Xiqu)	Mr Yuen Siu-fai	1141

As Mr Ko Tin-lung is the only candidate in the Drama Arts Interest, he is returned uncontested. The Arts Criticism Arts Interest has no candidate. As such, no polling was conducted for these two arts interests.

The list of nominated representatives of the nine arts interests will be submitted to the Chief Executive for consideration of appointment to the HKADC for the next term. Their term will begin on January 1, 2011. HKADC members will assist the Council in planning, promoting and supporting the broad development of the arts in Hong Kong.

A spokesman for the Home Affairs Bureau said, "The Government is pleased that the nomination exercise has concluded satisfactorily. Since the launch of the nomination exercise in March this year, publicity of the exercise has been stepped up and funding for the purpose has been increased. The total expenditure has increased progressively to about \$1.7 million this year, which is three folds as compared with \$560,000 in 2001. The increased funding has been mainly allocated to publicity and promotion."

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