

Nomination of Representatives of Arts Interests for the Hong Kong Arts Development Council Guidelines for Voter Registration

I. Eligibility to Vote:

- (1) A voter shall be aged 18 years or above; and
- (2) (a) be a member of an arts organisation which has registered as a member of the nominating body (organisational member) of this nomination exercise ^{Note 1}, and has joined the organisation for not less than one year ^{Note 2} prior to the start date of this nomination exercise, i.e. 30 March 2010; or
 - (b) be an employee of an arts organisation which has registered as a member of the nominating body (organisational member) of this nomination exercise ^{Note 1}, and has been directly involved in arts creation, direction or performance in the organisation for not less than one year ^{Note 3} prior to the start date of this nomination exercise, i.e. 30 March 2010; or be a full-time employee of the arts organisation and has been responsible for co-ordination or promotion of arts events or stage management ^{Note 4} in the organisation for not less than one year ^{Note 3} prior to the start date of this nomination exercise, i.e. 30 March 2010; or
 - (c) be an individual arts worker who has registered as a member of a nominating body of this nomination exercise ^{Note 1}.

II. Application Procedure:

- (1) For those who are members/employees of arts organisations which have been registered as organisational members of the nominating bodies ^{Note 1}, they can apply to be registered as voters through the organisations. For those organisations registered as members of the nominating bodies in 2007 or in the years before, they must submit voter registration forms afresh on behalf of their members this year. The organisations concerned must send the completed registration forms to the Nomination Agent ^{Note 5} by fax, by e-mail, by mail or by hand before the deadline, and ensure the legibility of all the information provided on the form(s). For postal applications, the deadline is determined by the postmark. Late submissions will not be accepted.
- (2) For those individual arts workers who have registered as members of the nominating bodies ^{Note 1}, they will automatically become voters and do not need to register.

^{Note 1} That is, members of the nominating bodies as specified in the Gazette G.N.3329 published on 11 June 2010.

^{Note 2} If a member joined an arts organisation, which has registered as a member of the nominating body (organisational member) of this nomination exercise, for less than one year but has, prior to joining this organisation, been a member of one or more arts organisation(s) which is(are) also member(s) of the nominating body of the same specified arts interest as this organisation, and his/her membership with all these organisations counted together is not less than one year, then the organisation may produce for consideration by the Nomination Agent documentary proof of his/her membership record with these other arts organisation(s).

^{Note 3} If an employee joined an arts organisation, which has registered as a member of a nominating body (organisational member) of this nomination exercise, for less than one year, but has, prior to joining this organisation, taken similar positions in other arts organisation(s) which is(are) also member(s) of the nominating body, and his/her service with all these organisations counted together is not less than one year; then the organisation may produce for consideration by the Nomination Agent documentary proof of his/her employment record(s) with these other arts organisation(s).

^{Note 4} This does not include employees involved in general administration, finance, human resources and other technical support duties in the organisation.

^{Note 5} That is, PR Concepts Asia Limited.

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Closing Date : **19 July 2010 (Monday) at 5:00 p.m.**
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III. Points to Note:

- (1) Organisational members of the nominating bodies (the organisations concerned) must ascertain that applicants in the voter registration form agree to be registered as voters through them. Each applicant should be registered through only one organisation.
- (2) The applicants should be registered under the same arts interest^{Note 6} of the organisation concerned. In cases of multi-discipline organisations where the organisations concerned have been specified as members of the nominating bodies of more than one arts interest, each of the applicants can be registered under one of the arts interests only.
- (3) If an applicant applies to be registered through more than one arts organisation, the Nomination Agent may contact the organisations concerned to clarify which arts organisation the applicant shall register with. The organisations concerned should inform the Nomination Agent of the applicant's decision within the specified period, or the applicant concerned will not be accepted as a voter.
- (4) Individual arts workers who have registered as individual members of the nominating bodies^{Note 1} will automatically become voters and do not need to register.
- (5) For organisational/corporate members of the organisations concerned (e.g. affiliated groups), only one representative of each organisational/corporate member is eligible to be registered as voter.
- (6) The organisations concerned should ensure that all information given for the registration is complete and correct, or the applicants may be disqualified for all purposes relating to this nomination exercise.
- (7) Information provided on the registration form (including the name(s), ID card number(s), correspondence address(es) and contact telephone number(s)) must be complete. Failing this, the registration process cannot be completed, and the applicants concerned cannot be registered as voters.

^{Note 6} That is, the arts interest under which the organisations concerned are specified in the Government Gazette G.N.3329 published on 11 June 2010.