

South China Morning Post

MEET THE 100 MOST INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE IN HONG KONG

The South China Morning Post and Debrett's have joined hands to launch Debrett's Hong Kong 100, a recognition and celebration of Hong Kong's most achieving, inspiring and influential personalities. Debrett's is a British luxury lifestyle brand with almost 250 years of heritage as the trusted authority on achievement, etiquette and style. The Debrett's Hong Kong 100, the first Debrett's Global Series beyond Britain, celebrates

the following outstanding personalities whose achievements keep Hong Kong's vibrancy and vigor going strong.





Andv Lau, MH, IF

Debrett's, the exclusive network of the leading people of today – inspiring and empowering the people of tomorrow.

LONDON **SINCE 1769**

Art, Architecture and Design

Johnson Chang

Gallerist and curator Johnson Chang founded Hanart TZ Gallery in Hong Kong, introducing contemporary Chinese art to international exhibitions and bringing emerging artists into the limelight. In 2010 his project 'West Heavens' featured collaborations between Chinese and Indian artists and he was named in Art Review's Power 100.

Adrian Cheng

Scion of the world's largest jewellery retailer and one of Asia's leading property developers, art incubator and collector Adrian Cheng founded the KII Art Foundation in 2010 to provide emerging artists with a local and international platform and to promote public art education.

Pearl Lam

'Asia's Art Empress', gallery owner Pearl Lam has been championing artists and designers who challenge perceptions of Asian culture for over 20 years. Lam started organising pop-up exhibitions in Hong Kong in 1993 and now has galleries in Hong Kong, Singapore and Shanghai.

Internationally-acclaimed Lee Kit is best known for the hand-painted cloths he has been producing for more than a decade. In 2012 he had his first US solo museum exhibition and his installation 'You (you)' received critical acclaim at the 55th Venice Biennale in 2013.

Business and Industry,

Engineering and Entrepreneurs

At 90, billionaire Cheng Yu-tung controls

estate interests in Hong Kong and Macau.

jewellery conglomerate from which his

wealth originated, began before World

Victor Fung, GBM, GBS and William

Brothers Victor and William Fung have led

grandfather founded in 1906, to a group of

Victor is Honorary Chairman and William

Executive chairman of Global Sources Ltd

1970. Small companies selling gadgets and

clothing in Asia learned to advertise in his

sourcing magazines and accept orders

Merle Hinrich founded his company in

the publicly listed New World Group

which has extensive business and real

His Chow Tai Fook Enterprises, the

War II with a single store in Macau.

the world's largest export trading

company Li & Fung through a series of

transformations, from the traditional

innovative public companies of which

Chinese family conglomerate their

Cheng Yu-tung, GBM

Fung BSE, OBE, JP

Merle Hinrich

Warren Leung Chi-wo

Multi-disciplinary artist and Para Site Art Space co-founder Leung Chi-wo works with photography, video and text through performance and installation. He has exhibited at the Venice Biennale and his 'No Soul For Sale' exhibition appeared at London's Tate Modern in 2010. His collaborations include ongoing creative work with partner Sara Wong.

Lars Nittve

As executive director of art museum M+, Lars Nittve has overseen the growth of its collection to over 4,000 works during his five-year tenure, and it will be the first major international museum to focus on local art. Swedish Nittve was previously a founding director of London's Tate Modern.

Henry Steiner

Founder of brand consultancy firm Steiner & Co, Austrian-born Henry Steiner pioneered the expression of identity through branding. He is responsible for brands including IBM, Hyatt Regency, Hilton Hotels, HSBC, Standard Chartered and Unilever, and was even commissioned by the Hong Kong government to design the city's bank notes.

Stanley Wong Ping-pui

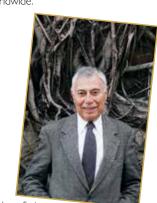
Ad-man, designer, artist and photographer Stanley Wong, also known as anothermountainman, gained attention with his 'redwhiteblue' series when he represented Hong Kong at the Venice Biennale in 2005. His 'Lanwei' ('broken tail') series shows aborted construction projects following the economic downturn, and was acquired by M+ museum in 2013.

Rocco S.K. Yim, BBS, JP

Award-winning architect Rocco S.K.Yim co-founded Rocco Design Partners in 1982 and is responsible for many iconic buildings in Hong Kong including iSquare, Victoria Towers and the Guangdong Museum. In 2007 the firm was awarded the hotly-contested tender to design the new Government Headquarters and Legislative Council Complex.

Douglas Young

Designer and trendsetter Douglas Young has broken taboos and crossed boundaries since launching his store G.O.D. (Goods of Desire) with business partner and fellow trained architect Benjamin Lau in 1996. The label's popularity was only boosted by a police raid in 2007, and its designs are sold



The Arts - Film, Literature and Music

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Jackie Chan, SBS, MBE

World-famous Jackie Chan first brought humour to martial arts movies and has appeared in over 150 films, continuing to make blockbusters as a producer and director. Known for his comic timing and innovative stunts, Chan was born into poverty and honed his craft at a harsh Peking opera school.

Raman Hui, BBS

Hong Kong-born animator and film director Raman Hui is the man behind Monster Hunt, the cross-genre animation and live action movie that became a blockbuster hit and the highest grossing Chinese film ever. Until then he was best known for co-directing Shrek the Third and several short films.

Poet Agnes Lam is one of the most authentic Hong Kong voices writing in English and has published three collections of her own as well as studies on Asian poetry in English. A native of Hong Kong, she studied in Singapore and the US.

Andy Lau, MH, JP

Cantopop singer-songwriter, actor, presenter and film producer Andy Lau has been one of Hong Kong's most commercially successful actors since the mid-1980s, performing in more than 160 films while maintaining a successful singing career. He also supports and mentors lesser-known actors and directors

Trey Lee Chui-yee

Trey Lee was born into a musical family but majored in economics and almost gave up music to be a management consultant. The Hong Kong cellist went on to win major prizes in competitions throughout the world and, as co-founder of the Musicus Society, is an active champion for Chinese music and culture.

Louis Cha Leung-yung, GBM, OBE (Jin Yong)

Better known by his pen name Jin Yong, Louis Cha Leung-yung is the bestselling Chinese-language novelist alive. His wuxia (martial arts and chivalry) works have a following amongst Chinese language readers worldwide and have sold over 100 million copies and been adapted into films, television series, comics and video games.

Nury Vittachi

Fleeing his native Sri Lanka as a small child when his journalist father was targeted during the Civil War, Nury Vittachi is Hong Kong's best-selling English language author, having written more than 25 books, and his comedy-crime series The Feng Shui Detective has won him fans both young and

Wong Kar-wai, BBS

Hong Kong's Second Wave film director Wong Kar-wai is known for stylised and emotionally resonant films including Days of Being Wild, Chungking Express, Fallen Angel and The Grandmaster. He was the first Chinese director to win the Best Director Award at Cannes Film Festival for Happy

Novelist Xu Xi established the first low-residency Master of Fine Arts in Asian Writing in English at the City University of Hong Kong, the closure of which drew criticism from the writing community. Her novel Habit of a Foreign Sky was shortlisted for the inaugural Man Asian Literary Prize.

Trev Lee Chui-vee

Yip Wing-sie, BBS, JP

Hong Kong icon of classical music Yip Wing-Sie is the music director of the Hong Kong Sinfonietta and its principal conductor. She has taken the orchestra on numerous overseas tours and is the first Hong Kong conductor to be appointed Chevalier de l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres by France.



A MESSAGE FROM JOANNE MILNER CHIEF EXECUTIVE, DEBRETT'S



of the *Peerage*, it was *the* original social network — a handbook the aristocracy referred to for who to do business with, who to invite to parties, and who should marry their daughter! Being 'in Debrett's' became a sought-after accolade.

early 1980s, invitations into Debrett's have been extended to recognise achievements, influence and inspiration, regardless of bloodline. Our world is ever increasingly globalised, which is why, for the first time in its

The Debrett's Hong Kong 100, published in association with the South China Morning Post, recognises Hong Kong's most influential people. It acknowledges hard work, brilliance, persistence, courage and, occasionally,

250-year heritage, Debrett's is launching a Global Debrett's Network. With its

The list has been compiled by Debrett's in consultation with experts in each category, including South China Morning Post journalists. All those listed were scrutinised for their influence, which could mean 'hard' power – controlling budgets and policies – or the 'soft' power of the sporting heroes, communicators, artists, entrepreneurs, inventors and visionaries who have had just as much

A place on the list isn't determined by wealth; it recognises those shaping Hong

In years gone by, Debrett's has been seen as synonymous with the British peerage and privilege. The future lies in global influence, built upon hard work,

Sir Michael Kadoorie, GBS Sir Michael, the third generation son of an

from around the world as Asia's economies

grew and the global marketplace was born.

Iraqi family, oversees groups with assets as varied as Peninsula Hotels, CLP (China Light and Power) Holdings, and the Peak Tramway. He also controls Metrojet Ltd and Heliservices Ltd, and his CLP Research Institute explores developments in renewable energy.

Robert Kuok Malaysian-born billionaire Robert Kuok

started out as an office boy and now holds interests in sugar refineries, sugar cane plantations, oil, mining, finance, property, freight, and publishing across Asia. He opened the Shangri-La hotel group in the 1970s and owns a large stake in Hong Kong's South China Morning Post.

Lee Shau-kee, GBM

Lee Shau-kee is chairman of Henderson Land Development, the HK\$189 billion real estate empire he founded nearly 40 years ago. The 87-year-old is the majority owner of a conglomerate with interests in properties, hotels, restaurants and internet services and one of Hong Kong's richest

Sir Ka-shing Li, GBM, KBE, JP 87-year-old Sir Ka-shing is Asia's most

influential entrepreneur with a net worth of over US\$25 billion. As chairman of Hutchison Whampoa Limited (HWL) and Cheung Kong Holdings, his companies include the world's largest operator of container terminals and the world's largest health and beauty retail chains.

China's richest man in 2014, Jack Ma and his wife Zhang Ying were teachers in China before quitting to become entrepreneurs. They failed at several ventures before raising enough money to create online business-to-business sourcing platform Alibaba. 15 years later, Alibaba's \$25 billion IPO became the largest in US history.

Wang Wei

44-year-old billionaire Wang Wei founded delivery company S.F. Express in 1993 with a US\$13,000 loan from his father. From six deliverymen and a van, S.F. Express grew its cross-border services and now, as 'the

Fedex of China', it boasts 290,000 employees.

Peter Woo Kwong-ching, GBM, GBS, JP Peter Woo married the philanthropist

daughter of shipping tycoon Y K Pao and joined her family's business in 1975. At first charged with maintaining the family's wealth, he later oversaw Wheelock's greatest growth period. He left for a decade of public service before returning as chairman in 2002.



ALLAN LALAN Vivienne Tam

Fashion

Barney Cheng

Award-winning couturier Barney Cheng is best known for his luxury wedding gowns, cocktail dresses and eveningwear, and now also sources and designs gem and diamond sets to complement his clients' bespoke wardrobes. In 2010 he was named in Forbes China's Top 25 Most Influential Chinese in Global Fashion.

Stephen Hung

Style icon and Versace fan Stephen Hung is the billionaire behind ultra-luxurious casino resort Louis XIII in Macau. He is a regular on the fashion and social scenes in his eye-catching haute couture suits, and he and his Mexican wife Deborah, of model agency Dreamodels, host glamorous costume balls.

Andrew Keith

As president of the Lane Crawford Joyce Group, Andrew Keith is responsible for taking the over-160-year-old luxury retailer into the 21st century. In his first week of office, Scottish-born Keith announced three additional stores to be opened in mainland China in addition to its existing Beijing store.

Lo Kai-yin, SBS

Lo Kai-yin is a designer, event organiser, curator, cultural historian and editor of five books. Melding the cultural heritages of East and West, she presents art and design in a historical context and in 2007 was named the World's Leading Chinese Designer by the Hong Kong Design Centre.

Fiona Kotur-Marin

Handbag designer Fiona Kotur-Marin brought back the minaudière – a small, decorative clutch – at a time when the market was saturated with oversized bags, garnering international attention for her eponymous brand. Her playful, witty and sophisticated designs have won a loyal client base.

Yana Peel

to Hong Kong and Asia.

Joyce Ma

Yana Peel, CEO of the Intelligence Squared Group, is recognised in Hong Kong as an elegant fashion icon and imported her passion for art and fashion to Hong Kong five years ago when she brought live debates and performance art to Art Basel in Hong Kong.

After a stint in the family retail business,

Joyce Ma founded the Joyce Boutique in 1970, becoming an ambassador for Hong

introducing western designers, including

major brands like Gucci, Armani and Prada,

Kong fashion. She is credited with

Kim Robinson Having coiffed the hair of Princess Diana,

Kate Moss and Zhang Ziyi, celebrity hairstylist Kim Robinson is a celebrity himself. Expert at styling clients' hair to suit their face shape, his US\$1600 haircuts combine state-of-the-art technology with an artist's eye and touch.

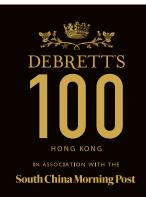
Sarah Rutson Spotter of both trends and new design

talent, Sarah Rutson is the fashion director responsible for the rebranding of highly influential Hong Kong-based luxury department store Lane Crawford. She is now the vice-president of global buying for online couture discounter Net-a-Porter.

Vivienne Tam

Vivienne Tam's designs are inspired by Chinese culture and East-West fusion. After designing her first label, East Wind Code, she launched her eponymous line in New York in 1994. Her controversial Mao collection is now housed in the Andy Warhol Museum in Pittsburgh and the Metropolitan Museum in New York.





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Food and Drink

Jeannie Cho Lee

Korean-born Jeannie Cho Lee is the first Asian Master of Wine whose first book Asian Palate explores wine and Asian food pairings, winning a Gourmand Award in 2010. Lee holds a Certificat de Cuisine from Cordon Bleu and trained as a Sake Sommelier at Japan's Sake Service Institute.

Bonnae Gokson

Hong Kong's cake queen and owner of Ms B's Cakery and the C'est La B café bars, Bonnae Gokson previously worked in fashion and hospitality before founding celebrity hotspot Sevva in Central. Style icon Gokson became an award-winning author in 2014 with her book Butterflies and All Things Sweet.

Mak Kwai-pui

Dumpling master Mak Kwai-pui runs the world's cheapest Michelin-starred restaurant Tim Ho Wan, a hole-in-the-wall in Mongkok serving dim sum. Formerly at the Four Seasons' three Michelin star restaurant Lung King Heen, he has opened five more outlets from Central to Sham Shui Po and has expanded overseas.

Susan Jung

Cookbook author and SCMP's senior food and wine editor for the last 18 years, Susan Jung was born in California. Her 2012 book A Celebration of Food contains 80 Western, Chinese and other Asian recipes, including many from her own column and others by top Hong Kong chefs.

Alvin Leung

Tony Cruz

With blue-tinted hair and tattoos, MasterChef Canada's 'Demon Chef' Alvin Leung is a three Michelin star chef who taught himself to cook and isn't afraid to experiment: his most famous dish is 'Sex on the Beach' featuring an 'edible condom' made out of mushrooms and filled with honey and ham.

Born and raised in Hong Kong, and of

Portuguese descent, Tony Cruz is a legend

of Hong Kong horse racing, winning more

races than any other jockey. As a trainer, he

Silent Witness to win 17 consecutive races.

famously trained Hong Kong champion

Winfried Engelbrecht-Bresges, JP

As CEO of the Hong Kong Jockey Club since February 2007, German-born

Winfried Engelbrecht-Bresges has driven

the development of racing in Hong Kong

Federation of Horseracing Authorities, the

Timothy Fok is the champion of sports in

Hong Kong, representing athletes and

sports associations in Legco (the Hong

Kong legistlative council). He is the most

At 17, Siobhan Haughey is Hong Kong's

first swimmer to qualify for the Olympics

by clocking two minutes, 13.07 seconds in

the 200m individual medley at the World

Championships in Kazan, Russia. Ranked in

the top 15 in the world, she earned direct

entry to next year's Rio Olympics.

As chairman of the Hong Kong Jockey

Club's Board of Stewards, former law firm

important player when it comes to sports

legislation, funding and putting Hong Kong

and expanded its appeal to a younger

crowd. His other roles include

world's highest racing authority.

on the Olympic map.

Siobhan Haughey

Simon Ip Sik-on

vice-chairman of the International

Timothy Fok Tsun-ting, GBS, JP



Alan Lo and Yenn Wong

Hong Kong's unstoppable restaurant duo continue to garner awards and accolades for their chic eateries, which include Hong Kong hotspot Duddell's, which serves Cantonese food by chef Siu Hin Chi, and the Aberdeen Street Social, Yenn Wong's collaboration with UK-based Jason

Sandeep Sekhri

Sandeep Sekhri, founder and head of Dining Concepts, has helped shape the Hong Kong dining scene. His 26 restaurants include Bombay Dreams, Braza, BLT Burger, Nahm and Al Molo and he will soon be opening Hong Kong branches of Le Pain Quotidien and Gordon Ramsay's London

Simon Tam

Christie's head of wine for China and founder of the Independent Wine Centre in Hong Kong and Shanghai, Simon Tam is a

senior partner Simon Ip Sik-on has seen

of HK\$1 billion per year for the last ten

Hong Kong's most eminent international

athlete, sprint cyclist Sarah Lee won Hong

Kong's first-ever Olympic medal in cycling

with a bronze at the London Olympics in

2012. She went on to win a gold medal in

Former world champion and Olympic gold

medal-winning windsurfer Lee Lai-Shan has inspired many young athletes. She was one

of the first sports stars to put Hong Kong

on the global map as the only athlete to

win an Olympic medal for Hong Kong

before the Handover, in Atlanta in 1996.

Belarus in 2013 and is a medal hope for

years to charitable causes, including

sporting recipients.

Rio next year.

Sarah Lee Wai-sze, MH

Lee Lai-shan, MBE, BBS

Shen Jinkang, BBS, MH

the club's Charities Trust donate an average

pioneering wine consultant and educator with over 20 years' experience nurturing the Chinese wine market. He regularly writes for international media and speaks at wine conferences worldwide

Yeung Koon-yat, BBS, MH

If a mollusc can determine a man's destiny, Yeung Koon-yat found his in the precious abalone (edible sea snail), cooking his way to Michelin stardom at his over 40 Forum restaurants. The 'King of Abalone' grew up in poverty in Guangdong where two of his sisters died of starvation.

Allan Zeman, GBM, GBS, JP

Wong Kam-po, SBS, BBS, MH

generation of athletes who have won

Shanghai, Shen joined the national cycling

team, but a terrible cycling accident cost

him his lower leg. He retrained to become

a coach, his unique style winning him many

Thomas Brian Stevenson, SBS, JP

As president of the Hong Kong Rugby

Union since 2001, Scotsman Thomas Brian

Stevenson has played a huge role in sports

in Hong Kong over 20 years and continues to wield influence as vice-president of the

Sports Federation and Olympic Commit-

The catalyst for Hong Kong's recent cycling

brought cycling to public consciousness as

the first cyclist to win a world title with the

athletes as a coach in the Hong Kong team.

success, gold medallist Wong Kam-po

15km scratch at the 2007 UCI World

Championship. He now nurtures young

Wong Kam-po, SBS, BBS, MH

numerous titles and medals. Born in

prestigious awards.

tee of Hong Kong.

Entrepreneur Allan Zeman, the 'Father of Lan Kwai Fong', built Hong Kong's premier entertainment rendezvous and advised on the facelift of Ocean Park. Born in Germany and raised in Montreal, he started working aged ten and by 19 had earned his first million by importing clothes from Hong Kong.

Lee Lai-shan, MBE, BBS



Lynne Anne Davis

Regional president and Asia Pacific CEO of Fleishman Hillard Lynne Anne Davis oversees its network of 18 offices and three brands in ten countries. She arrived from the US in 1997 and has helped Fleishman Hillard grow through economic ups and downs, leading the establishment of its China practice.

Serge Dumont

French entrepreneur Serge Dumont founded Interasia, China's first independent corporate communications consultancy, and is now vice-chairman of Omnicom Group and chairman of Omnicom Asia Pacific, dividing his time between Hong Kong and Beijing. As a pioneer in strategic communications he has advised leading multinationals, organisations and govern-

Marcel Fenez

Marcel Fenez is global media and entertainment leader at PwC where he heads a practice that he founded in 1995. From Hollywood red carpets to the sets of Hong Kong's local productions, he provides thought leadership and insights into industry developments to clients including Disney, the BBC and NBCUniversal.

Zubin Gandevia

Zubin Gandevia is a rising star in Hong Kong's TV business. The president of Asia Pacific and Middle East at Fox International Channels oversees 18 offices in 14 markets with more than 30 channel brands. Under his leadership, Fox Sports remains the most significant sports broadcast network in Asia.

Richard Li Tzar-kai

Younger son of Asia's richest man Li Ka-Shing, Richard Li has himself been an influential and independent power broker, standing at the forefront of merging telecommunications and media with his pioneering launch, more than ten years ago, of NOW TV, the world's first commercially viable IPTV platform.

Greg Paull

Greg Paull co-founded R3, a global consulting firm focused on improving the efficiency of marketers through media auditing, research and training. Rapid growth enabled R3 to secure business from sponsors of the Beijing Olympics in 2008 and today it works with brands including Unilever, Coca-Cola, Mastercard, Nestlé and Mercedes Benz.

Clara Shek

Innovator and pioneer Clara Shek is managing director of Ogilvy Public Relations in Hong Kong. Shek joined Ogilvy in 1999 and helped build the agency's leadership position through acquisitions and by founding its new Travel and Tourism

Su-Mei Thompson

Malaysian-born Su-Mei Thompson became CEO of the Women's Foundation in 2009, bringing her training as a lawyer and many years in media and marketing to lead the foundation in its aims to challenge gender stereotypes, empower women in poverty and to increase the number of women in leadership positions.

Richard Tsang

Richard Tsang is the founder and chairman of Strategic Public Relations Group (SPRG), Hong Kong's largest PR consultancy and market leader for financial communications and investor relations. Under his leadership, SPRG has become a fully integrated PR group with offices throughout Asia and a workforce of 300.

Spencer Wong

Professor Yuen Kwok-yung, SBS, JP

Putting Hong Kong on the map as a global advertising contender, McCann CEO and creative chairman Spencer Wong is the winner of more than 500 creative advertising awards, including creative person of the year in Asia by MEDIA in 2009. Under his leadership McCann has maintained a number one ranking and was renamed as McCann & Spencer in 2015.

Science and Medicine

Dr Margaret Chan, OBE, JP

Hong Kong-born Dr Chan joined the Department of Health in 1978 and has been director-general of the World Health Organisation since 2006. Having dealt with the threat of avian influenza and SARS, she is one of the world's most visionary and experienced public health crisis managers.

Ronnie Chan and Gerald Chan

Brothers Ronnie and Gerald Chan donated \$350 million to the Harvard School of Public Health, its largest single donation, with the aim of improving health throughout the world. They co-founded the Morningside Fund, which invests in biotech companies and sponsors scholarships and research at universities in China and abroad.

Dr Nancy Ip Yuk-yu, JP Award-winning Dr Ip is dean of science,

Morningside Professor of Life Science and director of the State Key Laboratory of Molecular Neuroscience at Hong Kong University of Science and Technology. Working in the fields of biotechnology, protein biology and brain development, she has published numerous papers and holds 23 patents.

Professor Gabriel Matthew Leung,

Dean of the Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine at the University of Hong Kong, Leung directed the university's Infectious Disease Epidemiology Group during the 2003 SARS epidemic and led actions to combat the H1N1 outbreak. Hong Kong's first under-secretary for food and health, he has received many prestigious awards.

Stephen Chow

Dr PY Leung

Chief executive of the Hospital Authority, Dr Leung is responsible for 90% of hospital beds, 42 hospitals and healthcare institutions, 67,000+ staff, and an annual budget of over \$50 billion. He was formerly deputy director of food and environmental hygiene and deputy director

Dr Walton Li

Dr Li is chairman of the board and medical superintendent of Hong Kong Sanatorium and Hospital (HKSH). He joined HKSH in 1980 and established its Department of Ophthalmology. In 2005 he was appointed to his current post and became chairman of the Li Shu Fan Medical Foundation.

Alexander Ng

Ng is deputy director of the China Health Programme for the Gates Foundation. For nine years he was co-leader of McKinsey & Company's Greater China Healthcare and Corporate Finance practices in Hong Kong and is an adviser to the Hong Kong Council on Smoking Cessation.

Dr Seto Wing-hong, SBS Dr Seto has played a key role in infection

control since 1985 when he started a training course for infection control practitioners. He currently works at Queen Mary Hospital and the Hong Kong Hospital Authority's West Cluster, and is founding president of the Asia Pacific Society of nfection Control.

Professor Dekai Wu

Professor Wu teaches computers how to translate from Chinese to English by examining clusters of words and matching their relationships, and his pioneering research has informed the development of products including Google Translate and Apple's Siri. He is currently a professor at Hong Kong University of Science and Technology.

Professor Yuen Kwok-yung, SBS, JP

Heading the Department of Microbiology at Hong Kong University, Yuen is a microbiologist, surgeon and physician specialising in emerging infectious diseases. He played a key role in the discovery of the agent causing SARS and has led his team in the discovery of many other disease agents and bacteria.

Technology & Digital

Alan Chan

Alan Chan is helping to make Hong Kong a leading city for start-ups as co-founder and managing partner of Vectr Ventures, a global early stage fund and studio based in Hong Kong which partners with globally-minded entrepreneurs who have a passion for creating innovative products.

Edwin Keh

Edwin Keh is the go-to guy for futuristic textile technologies in his role as CEO of the Hong Kong Research Institute of Textiles and Apparel, which helps leading garment producers use innovative technologies to improve the quality, protectiveness and comfort of their clothes.

Steven Lam

Steven Lam's GoGo Van app is the first and most popular logistical booking mobile app in Hong Kong, now handling more than 20,000 orders a day. CEO Lam and his co-founders, friends since their school days. are expanding their start-up to Singapore, with designs on other major Asian cities.

Delman Lee

CTO and president of TAL Apparel, the world's oldest and largest textile company, Delman Lee has rewritten the rule book on how shirts are made by incorporating new technologies, making better shirts and making them faster. His company now makes one in seven shirts sold in the US.

Theodore Ma MaBelle managing directorTheodore Ma

helped take his family's retail and wholesale jewellery business into the 21st century before co-founding Born to Fly, from which Cocoon was hatched. With over 900 members and alumni, Cocoon is now one of Hong Kong's largest co-working spaces and supports and nurtures start-ups.

Frank Wang-tao

While growing up in Hangzhou, drone billionaire Frank Wang Tao dreamed of His company DJI (Daijing Innovation

the consumer drone market, selling over 400,000 units last year to farmers, relief workers and enthusiasts worldwide.

Rosana Wong Wai-man With technology and innovation as her

watchwords, Rosana Wong heads up her family's Yau Lee Holdings Limited. She is passionate about sustainable ecosystems, which can be seen from the Holiday Inn Express Hong Kong Soho, the first hotel in the world to achieve quadruple-platinum 'green' certification.

Ricky Wong Wai-kay

HKTV founder and chairman Ricky Wong was making technology publicly available before the public understood they couldn't live without it. He introduced low-rate international direct dialing in the '90s when it was still an expensive luxury, and he is also credited with bringing broadband to Hong Kong.

Nicholas Yang Wei-hsiung Veteran engineer, executive and educator

Nicholas Yang has been appointed innovation and technology adviser to city chief Leung Chun-Ying, paving the way for the city's much-delayed Innovation and Technology Bureau (ITB), which aims to make Hong Kong more competitive and improve its residents' quality of life through technology and innovation.

Wilson Yuen

Wilson Yuen, founder and CEO of TFI Digital Media Ltd, is responsible for the HERMES OTT platform, which delivers TV content via the internet or an over-the-top (OTT) device. The platform has opened up new opportunities for broadcasters, content developers and advertisers and now reaches over three million devices.



making a helicopter that could follow him. Technology Co) now accounts for 70% of

and production designer Nansun Shi, and is regarded as one of the masters of

Stage and Screen

Chan Shuk-leung, GBS (also known as Pak Suet-sin)

Daughter of Cantonese opera legend Pak Kui Wing Chan Shuk-leung insisted on formal training and took on small roles at first. In 1956 she formed Sin Fung Ming Opera Troupe with Yam Kim Fai and is recognised for helping to transform Cantonese opera from populist entertainment to an aesthetic form.

Donald Chow Yun-fat, SBS Prolific and versatile, actor Chow Yun-fat is

best known in Asia for his collaborations with filmmaker John Woo in heroic bloodshed films A Better Tomorrow, The Killer and Hard Boiled, and in the West for his roles in Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon and Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End.

Stephen Chow Chow produced, directed, wrote and acted

in Shaolin Soccer, the highest grossing film in the history of Hong Kong cinema, and was producer, director, screenwriter, actor and composer of Kung Fu Hustle. For his role in Final Justice he won the Best Supporting Actor award at the Taiwanese Film Awards.

Tsui Hark

Vietnamese-born Tsui Hark is an influential and acclaimed New Wave director, producer and screenwriter, who moved to Hong Kong at 14. He co-founded his production house Film Workshop with his former-wife, producer Asian cinematography.

Cycling coach Shen Jinkang has mentored a

Bill Kong Chi-keung Kong runs Edko Films and Broadway

Circuit, the largest cinema chain in Hong Kong. The producer of Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon, Kong is an Academy Award nominee and a BAFTA and Independent Spirit Awards winner. He produced Lust, Caution, and Monster Hunt, and other acclaimed films, including Zhang Zhimou's Hero.

Helen Lai

Helen Lai is one of East Asia's foremost dance-makers as resident choreographer for the City Contemporary Dance Company (CCDC), of which she was a founding member and artistic director. Her work for Cloud Gate Dance Theatre, Guangdong Modern Dance Company and Singapore Dance Theatre has earned numerous awards.

Albert Lee

CEO of Emperor Motion Pictures Albert Lee oversees great box-office success. He spent two years in Taiwan developing the online business for music company Rock Records and represents Emperor in Hong Kong's Chamber of Films and the Hong Kong Motion Picture Industry Association.

Mao is celebrated for merging traditional

He has served as artistic director of the

Chinese opera with contemporary theatre.

Napa Valley Theatre Company in California,

head of acting at the Hong Kong Academy

Fredric Mao Chun-fai, BBS

for Performing Arts, and artistic director of the Hong Kong Repertory Theatre which appointed him Director Laureate.

Tang Shu-wing

'Alchemist of minimalist theatre' Tang Shu-wing is one of Hong Kong's foremost stage directors, named Best Director three times at the Hong Kong Drama Awards. He is currently artistic director of Tang Shu-wing Theatre Studio and head of the first physical theatre training programme in Hong Kong.

John Woo, SBS

Woo is a Hong Kong film director, writer and producer whose Hard Target made him the first Asian director to make a mainstream Hollywood film. Woo has directed notable Hong Kong films A Better Tomorrow and Red Cliff. His Hollywood films include Broken Arrow, Face/Off and Mission: Impossible II.



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