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HON. SECRETARY'S ANNUAL REPORT 2024-2025

1. Overview

Twelve monthly meetings were held by the Executive Committee ("ExCo") from 15 October 2024 to 9 September 2025. Under the able leadership of President Ms. Catherine Y. L. CHEUNG and her team, including Vice-Presidents Mr. Vincent W. S. WONG and Mr. Jeffrey C. F. SHAM, Hon. Treasurer Mr. Paul W. C. HO, Hon. Secretary Ms. Agnes P. T. CHEUNG, together with other ExCo and Sub-Committee Members, the Association continued to witness steady growth and development.

As a leading alumni body with over 46,000 members, the Association remained committed to offering a diverse range of experiences to members across different age groups and backgrounds during the year. Our Clubhouse in Central continued to serve as a popular meeting place for HKU alumni and friends. 2024-2025 was again an active year for the Association with some 50 events organised, ranging from lunch and dinner talks, guided tours, workshops to choir performances. All ExCo meetings were held in hybrid mode. Convenors of all Sub-Committees submitted written and/or verbal reports at every ExCo meeting. Details and photos of the activities held are available on the HKUAA Facebook Page and in our weekly e-newsletter. Thanks go to all ExCo and Sub-Committee Members who contributed to making the past year a great success.

Operations Officers Ms. Vicky ZHENG (resigned in December 2024) and Ms. Chloe CHUNG worked alongside administrative staff members Ms. CHENG Yee-fong (retired in October 2024) and Ms. Minda LAU to ensure smooth day-to-day operation of the Association.

2. House and Bar Sub-Committee (Convenor: Mr. Vincent W. S. WONG)

- The HKUAA Clubhouse continued to provide a comfortable and convenient venue for members to congregate, enjoy good food and organise various activities including culture talks, choir practices, wine dinners, lunch talks and many other social events. Minor improvements were made throughout the year to enhance the Clubhouse's facilities.
- ii. In partnership with Drawing Room Concepts, the Sub-Committee worked to attract more patrons by launching festive products (e.g., moon cakes, poon choi, Chinese New Year puddings), offering seasonal menus for various occasions, and hosting dining events such as wine tastings, lunch talks and wine pairing dinners. The Clubhouse hosted numerous birthday, reunion, and anniversary celebrations during the year, fostering alumni bonding, with more and more younger members frequenting the restaurant.



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iii. Mr. Joseph CHONG, our representative on the Incorporated Owners of Yip Fung Building, continued to maintain close liaison with the IO to ensure Government regulations were met and improvements were made to the facilities of the building.

3. Social and Events Sub-Committee (Convenor: Mr. Alex C. H. LAI)

- i. "HKUAA Hiking Discovery Bay to Mui Wo", led by Mr. KWAN Sek-yiu, was successfully held on 3 November 2024 with 77 participants, who greatly enjoyed the journey.
- ii. "HKUAA Alumni Nite 2025" was successfully held on 5 July 2025 at Chater Room, Hong Kong Jockey Club Happy Valley Clubhouse with 163 participants. An organising committee headed by Ms. Stella LAW was formed to plan and oversee the project. Professor LAU Chak-sing, Dean of Medicine, was invited as the keynote speaker. The event received positive reviews.
- iii. "HKUAA Buffet Dinner at Hong Kong Club" was successfully held at Garden Lounge, The Hong Kong Club on 6 September 2025 with a full-house of 103 participants. Thanks go to Mr. Kenneth SIT for hosting the dinner on behalf of the Association. Participants found the food and atmosphere highly enjoyable.

4. HKUAA Choir Sub-Committee (Convenor: Ms. Lucy T. P. CHEUNG)

- i. During the 2024 Fall Season, the Choir hosted a full-house concert on 16 November 2024 at the Methodist International Church with over 90 performers on stage.
- ii. The 2025 Spring Season commenced on 4 January 2025 following successful recruitment efforts. Invited by the SAR Philharmonic Orchestra, the Choir performed in two concerts on 20 April and 21 April 2025 at the Hong Kong Cultural Centre. The Choir also performed three pieces at the Alumni Nite.
- iii. Shortly after the Spring Season concluded, a vocal workshop led by Ms. Louise KWONG and Mr. CHEN Chen was held from May to July 2025, designed to help Choir members enhance their vocal techniques. The workshop was highly popular.

5. University Liaison Sub-Committee (Convenor: Mr. TSE Sik-yan)

i. Close ties with the University were maintained through the presence of Ms. Janet CHUNG and Ms. Monica WONG of the Development & Alumni Affairs Office ("DAAO"), who briefed us on the latest developments of the University at the ExCo meetings, including admission, policies, visiting scholars, special events and so on.



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6. Membership Sub-Committee (Convenor: Dr. William W. T. YIP)

- i. The Association enjoyed further growth in membership number. As at early September 2025, membership registered a 7.38% increase (an addition of 3,163 members) compared with that a year ago, reaching a total of 46,008 members, with quite a number joining as Life Members, apart from being Ordinary Members.
- ii. A continuous membership drive was underway to strengthen the bonding among members.

7. PR and Communications Sub-Committee (Convenor: Ms. Kitty K. L. TSE)

- i. During the year, the Sub-Committee worked closely with other Sub-Committees and the Executive Committee to provide advice to enhance the image of the Association as the leading alumni body of HKU.
- ii. Three talks and a cultural event were organised in the past year. A dinner talk titled "Beyond the Buzz: Unveiling the Realities and Misconceptions of AI" by Dr. XING Xing was successfully held on 22 October 2024 with 25 participants. Another dinner talk titled "字遊香港飲食文化歷史" by Ms. Kitty TOM on her new book about Hong Kong's culinary culture and history was held on 16 July 2025 with 23 participants. A lunch talk titled "與岑偉宗暢談《大狀王》" by lyricist Mr. Chris SHUM was held on 16 August 2025 with 31 participants. A Cultural Workshop by Teo Chew Cultural Association was held on 13 September 2025 with 20 participants. These events were all well received by participants.

8. Technology and Operations Sub-Committee (Convenor: Mr. David Y. K. YIP)

i. Continuous efforts were made to maintain and upgrade the digital and hardware infrastructure of the Association to enhance the experience of members at different online touch points as well as in the Clubhouse.

9. Golf Interest Group Sub-Committee (Convenor: Dr. Dicky LAM)

In the past year, the Sub-Committee organised the following events:

i. 11-12/10/2024 Intervarsity Tournament at Phoenix Hill Golf Club
ii. 15/12/2024 Internal Golf Match in Zhongshan

iii. 09/03/2025 "大 Sen + 師弟妹" Tournament at Kau Sai Chau Public Golf Course

iv. 26/04/2025 Challenge Cup at Phoenix Hill Golf Club
 v. 05-06/07/2025 President Cup at Chung Shan Golf Club
 vi. 22/08/2025 Indoor Golf Event at Golfzon Hong Kong



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10. Green and Culture Sub-Committee (Convenor: Mr. Brian HUI)

In the past year, the Sub-Committee organised the following events:

- i. 27/09/2024 "活現十年·尚未完場"放映會
- ii. 29/09/2024 Guided Tour to The Colours of Africa at ACT House
- iii. 26/10/2024 African Food Tasting and Guided Tour to The Colours of Africa Exhibition
- iv. 26/10/2024 Guided Tour to "Memento Solo Exhibition of Matteo Pugliese" at Tai Kwun
- v. 16/11/2024 Lost and Found in Hong Kong: The Unsung Chinese Heroes of D-Day
- vi. 07/12/2024 Guided Tour to the I. M. Pei: Life is Architecture Exhibition led by Mrs. Rosa HO
- vii. 14/12/2024 Lunch Talk by Prof. SINN Yuk-yee "金山尋金熱與香港有何關係?"
- viii. 15/03/2025 Guided Tour "港大舍堂的保育與傳承:參觀香港大學利瑪竇宿舍" led by Mr. Nixon LEUNG
- ix. 22/03/2025 HKUGA X HKUAA Wan Chai Heritage Guided Tour led by Mr. Ringo LEE
- x. 17/05/2025 Guided Tour to CLPulse

11. Education and Community Services Sub-Committee (Convenor: Mr. Ronnie T. P. YEUNG)

In the past year, the Sub-Committee organised the following events:

- i. 16/10/2024 Guided tour of the Hong Kong Electronics Fair 2024 at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre
- ii. 08/01/2025 Guided tour of the Hong Kong International Stationery and School Supplies Fair at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre
- iii. 14/03/2025 Campus tour in Shenzhen
- iv. 16/04/2025 Guided tour of the Hong Kong Electronics Fair 2025 at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre

12. Professional Alumni Get-Together Sub-Committee (Convenor: Mr. Joseph H. C. CHONG)

In the past year, the Sub-Committee organised the following events to provide members with learning opportunities and networking opportunities:

- i. 27/11/2024 Karaoke Party and Alumni Get-together
- ii. 19/01/2025 Fai Chun Writing Workshop 瑞蛇富貴喜迎春
- iii. 09/03/2025 水務署「滴滴遊蹤深度行」九龍水務文物徑導賞團
- iv. 07/05/2025 Karaoke Party and Alumni Get-together
- v. 28/06/2025 HKUAA Visit to Tseung Kwan O Desalination Plant
- vi. 17/09/2025 Karaoke Party and Alumni Get-together



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13. Young Alumni and Students Group Sub-Committee (Convenor: Mr. Kenny K. F. NG)

During the year, the Sub-Committee continued to connect HKU young alumni and students, broadening their horizons and helping them to better equip themselves for future career development. The activities held this year were warmly received by participants.

Highlights of the year included:

- i. Halloween Party (25 October 2024): A festive evening where participants networked and celebrated amid spooky yet fun Halloween decorations at DB Lounge.
- ii. HKU Alumni Day 2025 (16 March 2025): Students and young alumni from YASG played an active role by assisting at the HKUAA booth, where they engaged with visitors, promoted the Association and enjoyed a lively day of connection.
- iii. New Graduates Welcome Party & Hong Kong University Alumni Prize Presentation 2025 (12 July 2025): We were honoured by the presence of the Hon. Jack SO, who delivered an inspiring talk to participants titled "From Immigrant to CEO". The afternoon also featured the presentation of the Hong Kong University Alumni Prizes to student prize winners nominated by their respective faculties, followed by a vibrant networking session.

14. Lunch Talks

In the past year, the following talks covering a wide span of topics were conducted by Vice-President Mr. Vincent WONG at the Clubhouse. The talks were very popular as they did not only cover travel information, but also provided an in-depth analysis of the history, culture, religion, as well as geology of different regions. After each talk, the speaker and participants enjoyed lunch together and engaged in lively discussions.

- i. 05/10/2024 A Quick Guide on World Religion for Travellers
- ii. 16/11/2024 A Quick Guide on World Religion for Travellers (Part 2)
- iii. 21/12/2024 Countries in Pictures A Visit to Normandy
- iv. 11/01/2025 Popular Science Talk Diamonds in Pictures
- v. 01/03/2025 Countries in Pictures North Caucasus
- vi. 26/04/2025 Countries in Pictures Nostalgic Tunisia
- vii. 24/05/2025 Popular Science Talk Earthquake
- viii. 07/06/2025 Countries in Pictures Algeria
- ix. 05/07/2025 Popular Science Talk Earthquake (Repeat)
- x. 09/08/2025 Popular Science Talk Geology for Travellers
- xi. 06/09/2025 Countries in Pictures Vladivostok & Kamchatka



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15. Other Activities

- i. Ms. Stella LAW hosted a wine tasting event in collaboration with HK Liquor Store and Sommthing on 28 April 2025 at the Clubhouse, featuring a gin tasting happy hour session followed by a blind wine tasting pairing dinner. The event attracted 41 participants, highlighting the strong demand for wine-related events among members.
- ii. Under the Pilot Body Check Plan, an initiative launched by DAAO together with the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital, members and their families could enjoy discounts for health packages at the hospital upon registration. Over 300 people registered for participation through the Association.

The Association again enjoyed a fruitful and successful year, thanks to a very hard-working ExCo and its Sub-Committees.

Ms. Agnes P. T. CHEUNG

Hon. Secretary