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Invitation to a Presentation

Hong Kong and Society: Demystifying the "Umbrella Revolution"



Frank Ling

Author and Past National Chairman and Governor of the Hong Kong-Canada Business Association

7:30 pm, Thursday April 23, 2015

St. Anthony's Banquet Hall 523 St. Anthony St Ottawa
(at Preston north of Queensway)
Parking available at the Hall and across the street in City of Ottawa lot

Refreshments and conversation following the presentation **Everyone is welcome.***

In 2014, Hong Kong students took the streets to protest against the election process of the Special Administrative Region. The student movement, dubbed the "Umbrella Revolution", resonated widely across the ocean, but found much chiller support at home. Hong Kong-born and observer Mr. Frank Ling will offer his views on the roots of the student movement and, more broadly, of the unique characteristics that are the foundations of today's Hong Kong society: its modern history, culture and relations between the people of Hong Kong and of the People's Republic of China.

Frank Ling is Chair Emeritus of the Canadian Museum of Nature and recently published a biography, *Pray Standing: a global life inspired by family and a fortune teller*, which helps to set the tone of how social values for students and older generation have changed over time in Hong Kong. Mr. Ling is notably a recipient of the Order of Canada, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II Diamond and Golden Jubilee Medals, and the Canada 125th Anniversary Medal.

As well, some of his past and current community services include being Member of the Board of Governors of Carleton University, National Chairman and Governor of the Hong Kong-Canada Business Association, Chairman of the Hong Kong Festival '92 Ottawa Organizing Committee, Founding Chairman of the National Capital Dragon Boat Race Festival, National Vice President of the Chinese-Canadian National Council, Member of the Ontario Advisory Council on Multiculturalism and Citizenship, Member of the Advisory Council of the Ottawa Economic Development Corporation, and Chairman of the Ottawa Police Services Board.

Following his graduation as an architect at the Architectural Association School of Architecture and the Royal Academy of Arts in England in the early 1960's, he travelled extensively to acquire international business experience. He received his Master of City Planning in Urban Design degree at Harvard University in 1972

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