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In the Midst of Hustle & Bustle

A solo exhibition by Spencer Luk

MobArt @ EAST

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MobArt proudly presents <In the Midst of Hustle & Bustle> - a solo exhibition by Spencer Luk, showcasing a series of sculptures that reflects our urban life.

In the hustle & bustle of Hong Kong, the pace of everyone in the city seems to echo the beat of a rock band. Rushing back and forth, never stopping for a second. In today's world, especially in Hong Kong, it's getting harder and harder to spend some quality time with friends and family, let alone noticing those strangers that pass by us every day as we commute to work, go out to grab our lunch or on our way home. Even when we walk into a stranger, we would hurriedly apologise, barely looking up at the person whom we just had an "intimate" collision with. Have you ever spent more than two seconds observing the crowd, and not checking your email as you walk from point to point? I bet not.

Spencer lives in the same city as us, but he takes a completely different approach to treating our "intimate" strangers. He likes spending time observing the crowd, looking at each of their expression, their clothing, their action. Spencer is intrigued by how people interact and the different types of people that co-exist in our society – the white collars, the yummy-mummy, the running wild kid, the straight-face dad. He recorded all his "observations" through the creation of a series of sculptures, making detailed record of clothing, expression and action. These individual sculptures, when put together, is like seeing a miniature Hong Kong, but from a different perspective; this time round, you are observing and paying attention to the "crowd".

Through this exhibition, MobArt hopes that even in as hectic a city as Hong Kong, you will be able to find your breathing space and pause for a few seconds to look around you and take notice of the other 7 million people that share the same city as you.



About Spencer Luk

Spencer Luk's 3D works were developed for the project "In Transit" in 2005. After "In Transit" he combined these works with "In the Midst of Hustle & Bustle" and created a group of works of urban life.

His subject matter is the people, the passerby & working classes who busy themselves during their life. He wants to turn the subject matter into an artistic form to communicate back to the public through the language of painting, sculpture and installation.

About EAST

A new lifestyle business hotel by Swire Hotels in Hong Kong, EAST offers 339 rooms and 6 suites with harbour or urban views and state-of-the-art communications technology: 37-inch, high definition LCD TVs with numerous satellite and cable channels, the latest iHome / iPod-touch® technology, simple connectivity for laptops and complimentary broadband / WiFi Internet throughout EAST for savvy business travellers.

EAST also features a 24-hour gym *Beast* (Body by EAST) and an outdoor heated swimming pool.

On the 1st floor, the casual all-day dining restaurant *Feast* (*Food by EAST*) serves international cuisine and authentic specialties of Asia, *Feast's* philosophy is "simple things, done well". Accessed by a distinctive bird's nest-style staircase, it has a takeaway menu including breakfast to go.

On the 32nd floor, rooftop lounge bar *Sugar* (*Bar.Deck.Lounge*) provides an extensive alfresco terrace with views across the harbour. Sugar is a place to unwind, chill out on the outside deck, and offers signature and classic cocktails, tapas and nightly DJs. The venue is also available for private bookings during the day for private functions, meetings, team-building, launch events and parties.

The hotel is conveniently adjacent to Tai Koo MTR station and just a short drive from Central, Hong Kong.

About Swire Hotels

Swire Hotels has been created to manage intriguing urban hotels in Hong Kong, Mainland China and the United Kingdom, providing a characterful experience for travellers who seek individuality, style and personalised service.

The Opposite House, Beijing, opened in 2008 and was followed by The Upper House, above Pacific Place, Hong Kong, in October 2009.

Swire Hotels opened a 345-room lifestyle business hotel called EAST, Hong Kong in Hong Kong's Island East, on 25 January 2010. EAST, Beijing with 369 rooms, located within INDIGO in Jiangtai, will open in 2012.

Swire Hotels has launched a new collection of locally inspired and stylish hotels in the heart of great British towns and cities called Chapter Hotels. The first hotel in the collection, The Montpellier Chapter, opened on the 29th November in Cheltenham. The second Chapter Hotel will open in Exeter in 2012.

About MobArt Gallery

MobArt is an art gallery with a twist. Unlike the traditional art galleries, we don't have a physical space, we are mobile. We "pop up" everywhere in the city and may one day appear just around the corner of where you live or work.

Our Concept is simple – we utilise alternative urban spaces like restaurants, coffee shops, lounges etc. to curate Art shows.

Our Goal is clear – to make Hong Kong a better place for Art. By elevating people's interest in and appreciation of art by making art an integral part of every day life we hope to foster an environment that supports and nurtures young, talented artists.

Join us and become part of the MobArt movement!

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