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### Asian Cultural Council Hong Kong Names Daphne King Yao New Chair

Asian Cultural Council Hong Kong (ACC) is delighted to announce that arts philanthropist and Director of Alisan Fine Arts, Daphne King Yao, has been named Chair of the Asian Cultural Council (HK) Foundation Limited, following a unanimous decision made at the Board meeting on April 12, 2023. Daphne succeeds Hans Michael Jebsen, prominent businessman and long-time arts patron who has led the ACC in Hong Kong for twenty years. In 2015, under the leadership of Hans Michael, and with the help of a dedicated group of patrons and friends, ACC Hong Kong was formally corporatized as a non-profit organization with charitable status in Hong Kong dedicated to educational programs of cultural exchange and the arts.

According to Daphne, "I am honored and humbled to be taking up the role as ACC HK Chair. As someone who recognizes the power of art and its ability to open dialogues and foster mutual understanding, I am excited to be part of an organization that has the same vision. When Hans Michael first approached me, I was a bit hesitant as after his 20 amazing years as Chair, it will definitely be a hard act to follow but I am looking forward to taking up this challenge."

Former Chairman Hans Michael said "It gives me a great sense of satisfaction the role the ACC has played in building cultural bridges connecting the arts communities of Asia with the United States and the rest of the world. The mission of ACC in promoting international dialogue and mutual understanding, and nurturing artistic talent is more relevant than ever. I was overwhelmed with joy when Daphne agreed to my invitation to take up the role as the new Chair leading the next chapter of ACC in Hong Kong."

Daphne joined the ACC Hong Kong Patrons' Circle in 2015 and in 2018 and 2022, she co-chaired ACC Hong Kong Galas. A patron of the arts, Daphne were key supporters to prominent cultural institutions including the Friends of Hong Kong Museum of Art, the Ink Society, Hong Kong Ballet, Association Culturelle France Hong Kong Ltd., and the University of Pennsylvania Scholarship Fund in Hong Kong. In 2018, Daphne received the 2018 Women of Hope award in the category of Art and Culture, and in 2019, she was selected by the World Women Leadership Congress for the Hong Kong Women Leadership Award.

## About Asian Cultural Council Hong Kong

Since 1986, ACC Hong Kong has supported more than 620 artists in 26 disciplines principally from Hong Kong, as well as the rest of China and Asia for programs of advanced study and research in the US and across Asia. Many of whom have become grandmasters or trailblazers in the field, including Cai Guo Qiang (ACC 1995), Wucius Wong (ACC 1971), and Chen Kaige (ACC 1986). ACC HK is a partner foundation of the Asian Cultural Council, established in 1963 by John D Rockefeller 3rd, and has enabled more than 6,000 international exchange of artists, scholars and arts professionals in Asia and the US. ACC is headquartered in New York, with affiliated foundations in Hong Kong, Manila, Taipei and Tokyo.



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## 亞洲文化協會(香港分會)公布姚金昌玲為新任主席

亞洲文化協會香港分會(ACC)欣然宣布活躍於慈善界,藝倡畫廊總監姚金昌玲於 2023 年 4 月 12 日董事會上,獲董事會全體成員通過成為新一任主席,接替出任已達二十年的商界領袖、熱心藝術愛好者捷成漢。在捷成漢及眾多贊助及友好的支持下,亞洲文化協會(香港分會)於 2015 年正式成立為本港非牟利慈善團體,推動具教育意義的藝術文化交流。

姚金昌玲表示:「本人很榮幸並以謙卑態度接任主席一職。本人深信藝術所帶來的力量,能開展對話及促進 彼此尊重,我對於能夠加入具相同信念的機構,尤感鼓舞。當捷成漢邀請我時,我曾有一刻猶豫,因繼承他 二十年出色的貢獻實在不易,但我衷心期待這項挑戰。」

前主席捷成漢表示:「ACC 一直以來致力建立文化橋樑,聯繫亞洲、美國以至全球的藝文人才,這工作賦予 我很大的滿足感。ACC 就推動國際交流對話及相互了解,培育藝文人才的工作,當下實具迫切性。當姚金昌玲 接受邀請成為新一任主席時,我感到莫名的高興。我相信在她的領導下,ACC 將展開嶄新篇章。」

姚金昌玲自 2015 年加入 ACC 香港分會的贊助人友會,及分別於 2018 及 2022 年擔任籌款晚宴的聯合主席。姚 女士熱心支持藝術,曾出任不同重要藝文機構公職,包括香港藝術館之友、水墨會、香港芭蕾舞團協會、 Association Culturelle France Hong Kong Ltd.,及賓夕法尼亞大學香港獎學金基金會。姚女士於 2018 年獲頒授「2018 Women of Hope」藝術及文化獎及 2019 年世界女性領袖代表「香港女性領袖獎」。

#### 關於亞洲文化協會

亞洲文化協會香港分會自 1986 年,共支持逾 620 位從事 26 個不同界別的藝術文化工作者前往美國及亞洲其他地區的研究考察,他們主要來自香港,以及中國其他地區和亞洲。當中包括不少藝壇泰斗和先驅,如蔡國強(ACC 1995)、王無邪(ACC 1971)和陳凱歌(ACC 1986)。亞洲文化協會由約翰·洛克菲勒三世於 1963 年創立,歷年共已頒發近 6,000 項獎助金予藝術家、藝文機構和相關專才。協會總部設於紐約,於香港、台北、馬尼拉及東京均設有聯盟基金會。

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