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Ocean Network Express Family Fun Days Free Admission and Family Activities on 7-8 August 2021 at the Hong Kong Maritime Museum



Hong Kong, 23 July 2021 – Sponsored by Ocean Network Express (East Asia) Ltd., the Hong Kong Maritime Museum (HKMM) offers free admission and a series of family activities on 7 and 8 August 2021, in time for the last weekend of the Museum's special exhibition Maritime Crossroads: Millennia of Global Trade in Hong Kong. On the Ocean Network Express (ONE) Family Fun Days, visitors can enjoy a myriad of activities from storytelling, portrait drawing, balloon twisting, to quiz game to learn more about maritime history and knowledge.

Ocean Network Express (ONE) is the sixth largest container shipping company in the world, offering an extensive service network that covers over 120 countries and beyond. Commenced its operation on 1 April 2018, ONE has established its global headquarter in Singapore and regional headquarters in Brazil, China (Hong Kong), Singapore, the United Kingdom and the United States. With the generous support of Ocean Network Express (East Asia) Ltd., the museum is able to offer free admission to children and their families to enjoy the special exhibition and explore maritime stories in Hong Kong and worldwide through educational and fun activities provided by ONE and the museum.

On 7 August 2021, children and their families can join storyteller Miss Snow from Embrace Theatre HK on a guided tour of the special exhibition *Maritime Crossroads: Millennia of Global Trade in Hong Kong* to connect the dots between maritime history and our daily lives. On 8 August 2021, visitors can get their portraits drawn with special maritime elements by comic artist Aman. These activities are open to the public with registration.

Besides, visitors can play maritime quiz game and win souvenirs at ONE game booth while learning fun facts and knowledge about container vessel and maritime industry, and collect sea animal balloons from balloon twisting competition champion Jacky Leung.

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"As corporate partner of HKMM for three consecutive years, we are delighted to launch different educational projects with HKMM to arouse public awareness, especially children and youngsters, on container shipping industry. On ONE Family Fun Days, we hope the public can learn more about maritime history and knowledge in an interesting way, and enjoy themselves through a variety of fun activities," says Mr. Takafumi Kido, Regional Head of East Asia of Ocean Network Express (ONE).

"We would like to express our sincere thanks to Ocean Network Express (East Asia) Ltd. for their generous support in making the free Family Fun Days possible. The Hong Kong Maritime Museum is delighted to be the meeting place for the community to relax and enjoy quality time, and at the same time learn about the fascinating stories and knowledge about maritime history and the industry," says Prof. Joost Schokkenbroek, Museum Director of Hong Kong Maritime Museum.

The special exhibition *Maritime Crossroads: Millennia of Global Trade in Hong Kong* is also open on the two Family Fun Days before it closes on 12 August 2021. Organised and curated by the Hong Kong Maritime Museum, this exhibition displays two parallel yet highly connected narratives. The first examines the maritime stories of Hong Kong, whilst the second examines maritime interactions between Hong Kong, South China, East Asia, and the rest of the world.

The exhibition is generously supported by the Maritime and Aviation Training Fund, Transport and Housing Bureau HKSAR. The general loans came from Antiquities and Monuments Office, HKSAR; Art Museum, The Chinese University of Hong Kong; University Museum and Art Gallery, The University of Hong Kong; Zhuhai Museum; as well as prominent local collectors and the Museum collection. Digital exhibits from Museu do Oriente in Lisbon are also featured.

For images, please download here: https://bit.ly/ONEFamilyFunDays

ONE Family Fun Days

Date: 7 and 8 August 2021 Programme time: 10:00-16:30

Venue: Hong Kong Maritime Museum, Central Pier No. 8

Details: (Programme URL)

Registration:

Storytelling: https://forms.gle/4FKwK57fwsJdeZ7XA
Portrait Drawing: https://forms.gle/wTUFNpSBGeiLfFyQA

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Programme Rundown

7 August 2021 (Saturday)

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11:00-11:20	Storytelling by Miss Snow*
11:30-12:30	Balloon Twisting
12:00-12:20	Storytelling by Miss Snow*
13:30-14:30	Balloon Twisting
14:00-14:20	Storytelling by Miss Snow*
15:00-15:20	Storytelling by Miss Snow*
15:30-16:30	Balloon Twisting

^{*}Activities require registration in advance.

8 August 2021 (Sunday)

11:00-13:00	Portrait Drawing*
11:30-12:30	Balloon Twisting
13:30-14:30	Balloon Twisting
14:00-16:00	Portrait Drawing*
15:30-16:30	Balloon Twisting

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About Hong Kong Maritime Museum

The Hong Kong Maritime Museum (HKMM) is founded by members of the Hong Kong Shipowners Association to help Hong Kong residents and visitors to the city explore its unique maritime heritage. HKMM is an independent, non-profit registered charity supported by the shipping industry, the business community, individuals and the Hong Kong SAR Government. The HKMM is a cultural institution that tells the stories of Hong Kong's relationship with the sea, including the trades between Hong Kong and the Pearl River Delta and the World, and the vital roles played by so many ships in those stories.

The Museum opened its door to the public at Murray House in Stanley in 2005 and relocated to Central Pier No. 8 in the heart of the Central Harbour Waterfront in 2013. Today the Museum displays over 1,200 objects in 15 galleries, attracting about 130,000 visitors annually. The HKMM also houses various event spaces, a resource centre, its rooftop (social enterprise) Café 8 which enjoys wonderful harbour views, and a museum shop. The HKMM engages with the community of Hong Kong by providing education and public programming to schools, adults, community groups and families.

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^{**}ONE Game Booth will be located at the Museum's Harbour Viewing Gallery.

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