

Congratulatory Message to the Friends of the Harp on the 5th Hong Kong HarpFest

Ever since our Association was established in 1963, we make our best endeavor to assist persons who are physically and mentally challenged due to their neurological impairment. Our English name, SAHK, signifies our determination to "Succeed and Advance". Our Chinese name "香港耀能協會" carries the connotation of the service users bringing, both inborn and learnt abilities, into full play. Our funding support comes from the Government and other charity funds including The Community Chest and The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust. Contributions, big and small, make it possible for our work to continue.

The Friends of the Harp, through their outreach activities, have brought the special music of the harp to our service users. The harp has a unique charm that touches people and makes them feel treasured and important. The visits from the Friends of the Harp not only share with us a joyful musical moment, but also bring friendship and heart-felt warmth, connecting our service users with society.

In the 1960's, our Association set up the first teaching class for nine cerebral palsied children by borrowing a room in the Headquarter of the Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong. Today, there are a total of 60 service units in operation serving over 7,000 families. I understand the Friends of the Harp started with one student in their Harp Education Scholarship in 2008 and we share their drive to serve the community.

Congratulations to the Friends of the Harp and we wish the success of the Hong Kong HarpFest can inspire people to serve others in big ways and small, in public and in private.









