

**KWIH Sponsors the Performance of
“*The Tales of Hoffmann*”
Co-presented by
Opera Hong Kong and Le French May**

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(Hong Kong, 24 May 2013) – As an Honorary Patron of Opera Hong Kong, **K. Wah International Holdings Limited** (“KWIH” or “the Group”) (stock code: 173) sponsors the opera fantastique *The Tales of Hoffmann*. Co-presented by Opera Hong Kong (“OHK”) and Le French May, the opera was staged in Hong Kong today. Dr Lui Che-woo, Chairman of KWIH, Paddy Lui, Executive Director of KWIH, Edward Ho, Chairman of Opera Hong Kong and Warren Mok, Artistic Director of Opera Hong Kong, attended the performance.

Dr Lui Che-woo, Chairman of KWIH, said, “We are highly honoured to sponsor this famous opera fantastique, co-presented by OHK and the Consulate General of France in Hong Kong & Macau as part of the Le French May Arts Festival. Over the decades, the Group has maintained a commitment to business development and at the same time to growing with society. Thus, we are pleased to become the Honorary Patron of OHK this year. The collaboration between KWIH and OHK includes a range of education and community outreach programmes to inspire young people’s appreciation of opera in the hope of cultivating talent as well as the art. We also hope to bring more world-class opera productions to the public to enhance enjoyment of opera and other performing arts. Our goal is to help make Asia’s World City, Hong Kong, more culturally rich and cosmopolitan.”

KWIH pledged a donation of HK\$10 million to OHK in February to commence a four-year programme as an Honorary Patron. Through a wide spectrum of productions and education and outreach programmes, the sponsorship aims to promote local art education and cultivate art management talents, as well as increase the popularity and diversification of local art scene so as to enhance Hong Kong’s image as a culturally rich cosmopolitan city.

Photo Captions:



Photo caption 1

Dr Lui Che-woo, Chairman of KWIH, gives welcome remarks at the cocktail reception.



Photo caption 2

Dr Lui Che-woo (Right 5th), Chairman of KWIH, Paddy Lui (Right 3rd), Executive Director of KWIH, Dr Moses Cheng (Left 3rd), Non-Executive Director of KWIH, Dr William Yip (Left 4th), Independent Non-Executive Director of KWIH, Edward Ho (Right 4th), Chairman of Opera Hong Kong and Warren Mok (Left 5th), Artistic Director of Opera Hong Kong, and other management of KWIH officiate at the toasting ceremony.

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About K. Wah International Holdings Limited (stock code: 173)

K. Wah International Holdings Limited, listed in Hong Kong in 1987, is the property flagship of K. Wah Group. An integrated property developer and investor with a foothold in The Pearl River Delta and Yangtze River Delta regions, KWIH encompasses a portfolio of premium residential developments, Grade-A office towers, retail spaces, hotels and serviced apartments. Driven by a keen market sense and a versatile strategy, and backed by strong financial capability, KWIH has built up a sizeable and prime land reserve in major cities of China, and thus a strong foothold for future growth. KWIH has received several international accolades for its outstanding quality and service. Awarded Business Superbrands in the property development sector in 2006, KWIH was selected as the High-Flyer Outstanding Enterprises in two consecutive years, and was awarded the Top 10 Developers Award by BCI Asia in 2011.

Website: <http://www.kwih.com>

About Opera Hong Kong

Established in July 2003 as a non-profit-making organization, Opera Hong Kong is committed to the mission of enhancing the appreciation of the art of opera in Hong Kong and promoting local music talents. In addition to staging operas and concerts, educational programmes are also held regularly to reach the young population. Opera Hong Kong Chorus and Opera Hong Kong Children Chorus were established in 2004 and 2008 respectively and are becoming recognized forces in the local choral scene.

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