



The Weekly Newsletter of The Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong

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## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2009

## MUSTREAD

### ECONOMY | Borrowing Money in Canada Has Never Been Cheaper! RBC, BMO, & TD Weigh In!

> The Bank of Canada cut half a percentage point off the benchmark interest rate, taking the cash rate to a record low 0.5%. The move had been widely expected by the market. With limited room left for further rate cuts, the BoC opened the door to the possibility of quantitative easing, a means of monetary policy whereby the central bank prints money to ease tight money supply pressures on the banks.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Canadian Chamber Events

- 5** Thursday, March  
**SEMINAR | Energy Investing in Canada**  
 6.30pm – 8.00pm  
 The Canadian Chamber Boardroom, Suite 1301, Kinwick Centre, 32 Hollywood Road, Central

> *Speaker: Arthur H. Kwan, Managing Director, Private Equity, RedRock Capital Partners*

Arthur H. Kwan and Peter Cheung will be speaking about investing in the Canadian oil and gas sector. Why consider investing in the oil and gas sector in Canada?.....<<more

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Friday, March

### **SOCIAL | Spring Happy Hour**

6.00pm – 9.00pm

California, G/F, California Tower 30-32 D'Aguilar Street, Central, HK

> Forget about the humidity and gloomy weather! Join us at California for our March Happy Hour. Enjoy happy hour-priced drinks and free flow canapés prepared by French trained Chef Raymond while you mix and mingle with new and old friends.....<<more

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Tuesday, March

### **SEMINAR | Are Tenants Better-Off in the Falling Residential rental?**

6:30PM – 8:00PM

The Canadian Chamber Boardroom, Suite 1301, Kinwick Centre, 32 Hollywood Road, Central

> *Speaker: Mr. Simon Lo, Head of Research & Advisory, Ms. Maggie Lee, Head of Residential Leasing Of Colliers International*

An insight into the current residential leasing market, with tips on lease negotiation

Amid the financial crisis, residential rental across all districts in the territory has seen an average drop of 15%. While houses or apartments of larger sizes suffer from a deeper plunge, there is no exception for smaller units.

The falling prices have however not affected the leasing activities in the market. Field agents recorded more enquiries from individuals as well as companies who continue to hire staff with a housing package. Vacancy rate is slightly higher but that means there are now more options for tenants to choose....<<more

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Wednesday, March

### **SEMINAR | Emergency Briefing on Changes to Canadian Citizenship**

6:30PM – 8:00PM

The Canadian Chamber Boardroom, Suite 1301, Kinwick Centre, 32 Hollywood Road, Central

> *Speaker: Ms. Véronique Raymond, Manager, Global Employer Services, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu*

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Global Employer Services immigration specialist and Quebec lawyer Véronique Raymond will provide clarification surrounding recent changes to the Citizenship Act. If you have children born outside Canada, are planning to have children outside of Canada, and care about your Canadian status, you need to attend this seminar. Ms. Raymond will also answer questions relating to real and theoretical cases and explain with case studies. She will also address questions relating to the potential for statelessness – the possibility of stateless children....<<more

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Thursday, March

**CULTURAL | Name that building Tram Party**

7:15PM – 9:30PM

Meet at Whitty Street Tram Depot

> The Property Committee has organized a tram party to discuss the current real estate climate in Hong Kong while taking in the sites and buildings of our favourite city while cruising aboard a Hong Kong Tramways party tram. Attendees can test their knowledge of buildings that pass by while taking part in a Name That Building Game with prizes to be won.....<<more

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Thursday, March

**CULTURAL | Canadian Music Trivia Challenge**

8:00PM – 11:00PM

86, Rua Direita Carlos Eugenio (near Rua do Cunha) Old Taipa, Macau

> The Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Macao is doing its bit to remind this corner of China of the rich heritage of Canadian music.

The trivia challenge will be hosted by Canada's own Nick Fundytus, madcap musical emcee of the popular Name-That-Tune Nights at the Irish Bar. Create your own team (or join one when you arrive) and get ready for a riotous, rocking night of Canadian music.....<<more

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Tuesday, March

**SOCIAL | St. Patrick's Day Cocktail**

7.00pm – 9.00pm

McSorley's Ale House, 55 Elgin Street, Soho, Central

> Forget about the humidity and gloomy weather! Join us at California for our March Happy Hour. Enjoy happy hour-priced drinks and free flow canapés prepared by French trained Chef Raymond while you mix and mingle with new and old friends.....<<more

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Wednesday, March

**SEMINAR | Sustainable Buildings Master Class Session 2: Energy-Efficient Lighting**

8:30am – 10:00am

Consulate General of Canada in Hong Kong, Exchange Square, Tower 1, 14th floor, Central

> *Speaker: Len Horvath, M.Sc. President, Quantum Lighting Inc, Toby Lau*

Thinking about reducing your operating costs in the current economic downturn? Did you know that lighting typically accounts for 15-25% of energy consumption in commercial buildings?...<<more

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Wednesday, March

**SEMINAR | Living in Hong Kong, Should you Rent or Buy?**

6:30PM – 8:00PM

The Canadian Chamber Boardroom, Suite 1301, Kinwick Centre, 32 Hollywood Road, Central

> *Speaker: Mr. Ian Maxey, Senior Vice President, ipac and Ms. Pamela Bradley, Vice President, Property Specialist, ipac*

The current financial crisis has seen Hong Kong rental and property sale prices plummet, with predictions for both to fall significantly by next year. As an expat, what should you do?...<<more

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Thursday, March

### **FUNDRAISING | 2009 The Great Canadian Rugby 7s Lunch**

12:00pm-3:00pm

The China Club, 13/F, The Old Bank of China Building, Bank Street, Central

> Show your support for the Canadian team by taking this chance to get to know the players over lunch and bid on some great silent auction items to raise money for The Rugby Canada Foundation.....<<more

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#### **Co-Hosted Events**

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Wednesday, March

### **SOCIAL | "Hong Kong Connection" Annual Spring Dinner 2008**

6:30PM – 10:00PM

Hyatt Regency Hotel, Vancouver

> "Hong Kong Connection" Annual Spring Dinner 2008 Celebrating HKCBA's 25th Anniversary! It is the time of the year to celebrate the Year of the "Lucky" Earth Ox with the HKCBA Family! This annual dinner attracts over 700 guests including high-level government officials, senior business executives, and prominent leaders. To register or enquire about sponsorship, please contact [vancouver@hkcb.com](mailto:vancouver@hkcb.com). Click [here](#) for the registration form:....<<more

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Our Hong Kong Family



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Monday, March

### **LUNCHEON | Honourable John Tsang, Financial Secretary of the HKSARG**

12:30PM – 2:00PM

Convention Hall, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre

> The Financial Secretary, the Honourable John Tsang, will deliver the 2009-2010 Budget speech at the Legislative Council on Wednesday, 25 February 2009.

It would be an excellent opportunity to further understand how principles like "Big Market Small Government" and "from welfare to self-up", etc. could be adhered and sustained through the 2009-10 Budget Policy.!....<<more

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Wednesday, March

**SEMINAR | Joint Chamber Luncheon with Jake van der Kamp**

12:00PM – 2:00PM

The Hong Kong Bankers Club, Dragon Room 1 & 2, 43-44/F

> *Speaker: Jake van der Kamp*

Jake van der Kamp - one of Asia's best-known financial and political columnists

"Stormy Weather Sailing - Hong Kong's Forte"

Will Hong Kong go through the present troubles just fine.....?...<<more

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Monday, March

**WORKSHOP | Business Communication Writing Workshop Info Design: Info Structure**

6:30PM – 9:30PM

Council Chamber, 4th Floor, Duke of Windsor Building, 15 Hennessy Road, Wan Chai

> The Workshop is conducted by an experienced Applied Linguist, who is a native speaker of English. The Workshop will take place over a six week period with one session of three hours per week. Successful candidates will be issued with a Certificate of Achievement (Also based on attendance).....<<more

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## NEW MEMBERS

**CORPORATE | Golder Associates**, Paul Kall - Managing Director

> Golder Associates offers multi-disciplinary engineering services in environmental health and safety assessment, energy assessment, landfill design, geotechnical engineering, site remediation, solid waste management, waste and wastewater management, soil and rock slope engineering, tunneling, land reclamation, earth retaining structure, and risk assessment. Since 1960, Golder Associates has developed into an international group of consulting engineering companies comprising over 6,500 staff in over 150 offices in Africa, Asia, Australia, Canada, Europe, Latin America and the United States. The Hong Kong office forms part of the Asia-Pacific Region, comprising over twenty offices in China, Singapore, India, Indonesia, Philippines, Australia, New Zealand and New Caledonia. Golder Associates' mission is to apply the collective intellect of its professionals to find innovative, valued added and cost effective solutions to the client's needs.

**INDIVIDUAL | Karina Kwong**, Assistant Vice President - Bank of America

**YOUNG PROFESSIONAL | Shayan Lotfi**, Economist/Urban Planner - Edaw

**YOUNG PROFESSIONAL | Karlos Kwok**, Assistant Manager - KPMG

**INDIVIDUAL | Victor Man**, Branch Manager/Service Delivery Manager - SystemsGo (HK) Limited

## **ENTREPRENEUR | The 8th Estate Winery, Lysanne Tusas – Director, CMO**

> Introducing Hong Kong's first urban winery, located in Ap Lei Chau. This fully functional wine production facility imports grapes personally selected from some of the best growing regions of the world. Labeled as a product of Hong Kong, each bottle will specify in what region the grapes were grown. The 8th Estate is proud to present consistent, high quality red, white and dessert wines that have the unique attributes and tastes that a boutique local winery can offer. It is a known fact that wine does not travel well. We are able to introduce our wine at its peak and provide the experience of on-site tasting and observing the making of masterpieces. With a very limited run of approximately 8,300 cases per year, our wines will only be offered to the Hong Kong market through private individual and on-trade channels in a case or barrel quantity.

## **ENTREPRENEUR | Butterfield Bank Group, Nick Barclay – Manager**

### > Our Mission

Butterfield will provide consistent and superior returns to our shareholders, offer security and opportunities to our employees, and be recognized as making a valuable contribution to the communities in which we operate by a customer focused, efficient and ethical delivery of banking and other selected financial services.

### Profile

The Butterfield group is a full service community bank and a provider of specialized international financial services.

Our headquarters and largest operations are in Bermuda, where we were established in 1858 as the Island's first bank, and continue to play an important role in the local economy

The Butterfield group offers a full range of community banking services in Bermuda, Barbados and the Cayman Islands, encompassing retail and corporate banking and treasury activities. In the wealth management area, the group provides private banking, asset management and personal trust services from its headquarters in Bermuda and subsidiary offices in The Bahamas, the Cayman Islands, Guernsey, Hong Kong, Malta, Switzerland and the United Kingdom. Butterfield also provides services to corporate and institutional clients from offices in Bermuda, The Bahamas, the Cayman Islands and Guernsey, which include asset management and corporate trust services. Butterfield is a publicly traded corporation with shares listed on the Bermuda and Cayman Islands stock exchanges. The Bank's share price is also available on Bloomberg Financial Markets (symbol: NTB BH).

Our success has been built on a set of fundamental strengths: sound corporate values, a stable customer base, strong capital and liquidity positions and solid core businesses.

Butterfield has earned a reputation for its reliability, integrity, security and confidentiality. The group is regulated by the Bermuda Monetary Authority (BMA), which operates in accordance with Basel principles and maintains close contact with regulators in its other jurisdictions of operation.

## **ENTREPRENEUR | Maya Consultants Limited, Mireya Garcia Zuniga – Managing Director**

> We are a premier organizer of customized events such as launch parties, festivals, charity balls, fundraising events and corporate entertainment, offers solutions and a "Boutique Style" detailed, personalized approach and tailored to your budget, no matter how big or small is.

Some examples of the events where we have participated are:

- The Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong's "A Night at the Ice Palace"
- American Chamber of Commerce in Macao
- FCC's Annual Charity Ball
- The Mexican September Festival
- Principle One
- The Australian Association Ball

-Patron Spirits Annual Events

-Smile Train Charity Ball

My team and I would love to be considered for future events, and thought you would be interested in having our details for future reference.

Meanwhile, our website [www.mayahk.com](http://www.mayahk.com) has a selection of some of events we have organized.

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## CANADIAN&MEMBERNEWS

### **BUSINESS | Colliers International Appoints Richard Kirke as New Managing Director, Hong Kong**

> Colliers International announced that Mr. Richard Kirke has been appointed as the Managing Director of Colliers International in Hong Kong. Richard will lead the 13 local business lines that serve the challenging real estate market in Hong Kong and Macau. Richard is a dynamic and competitive real estate professional from New Zealand. During his time with CBRE, he rose from being an industrial broker to the Managing Director of the office in North Auckland in two years. While head of the office, it more than tripled its revenue and they established two new valuation business lines, Commercial and Hotel & Leisure. In January 2008, he took up the role of National Director of the Private Client Group to provide agency service as well as complete commercial property service through the Asset Services and Valuation teams. He was involved in various landmark deals in New Zealand.

“The real estate industry is facing a lot of changes amid the global financial crisis. However, there’s where the opportunities lie” said Mr. Kirke. “With great internal collaboration, we will continue to grow our business by offering competitive and specialized solutions to our clients. We share the same vision to become the top real estate services firm, locally and globally.”

### **INSURANCE | Manulife May Make Cash, Stock Offers for AIG Unit**

> Manulife Financial Corp. may offer cash and shares for American International Group Inc.'s largest Asian insurance unit when bids are due today, three people familiar with the matter said.

The insurer may also consider joining with sovereign funds to buy American International Assurance Co., the people said, asking not to be identified before a buyer is chosen. The unit has an embedded value of about \$20 billion, one of the people said. Embedded value estimates a company's net worth excluding new business.

[Entire article](#)

### **INSURANCE | Manulife raising funds as it eyes AIG assets**

> Manulife Financial Corp. has moved again to raise fresh funds through an equity offering as it eyes buying troubled insurer American International Group Inc.'s assets in the Philippines. Toronto-based Manulife said late on Tuesday it was issuing an additional eight million preferred shares priced at \$25 apiece for gross proceeds of \$200-million. The sum could raise another \$75-million should the underwriters, RBC Capital Markets and CIBC World Markets, purchase an additional three million shares.

[Entire article](#)

### **BUSINESS | Ho dares to dream**

> Chamber Governor Lawrence Ho is unstoppable - on ice and off it. The City of Dreams forges ahead and CEO Greg Hawkins is hiring.

[Entire article](#)

## **TELECOM | Hutchison Telecom in move to list HK, Macau units**

> Hutchison Telecommunications International (2332), the emerging-markets phone carrier controlled by billionaire Li Ka-Shing, said it may spin off and list its Hong Kong and Macau units. Hutchison Telecom, controlled by Chamber member Hutchison Whampoa (0013), has units in seven markets in Asia and the Middle East, including a stake in Israel's Partner Communications. The company last year paid shareholders a special dividend of HK\$33.2 billion from proceeds of the sale of its controlling interest in India's Vodafone Essar in 2007.

[Entire article](#)

## **CANADA | Conrad Black's Vision for an Asia Pacific with Canadian Moral Suasion at Its Core**

> Conrad certainly has some interesting views. From the National Post, in Conrad's own words.

[Entire article](#)

## **TECHNOLOGY | Canadian Technology! Snipmaster: 250,000 vasectomies (and counting)**

> In the realm of personal achievements, Dr. Ron Weiss, who says he likes to do things with his hands, can lay a claim that few, if any, others can: He has rendered more men infertile than perhaps anyone else.

[Entire article](#)

## **PROJECTS | New cable tunnel doubles power for two regions**

> China Light and Power will double its energy capacity for Tuen Mun and north Lantau island by the end of the year with the completion of the 4.5-kilometer Castle Peak Cable tunnel.

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## **SPORTS | Hockey**

> Barenaked Hockey Theme

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# **MEMBERPROMOTIONS**

## **FUNDRAISING | Shave A Mountie! To fight cancer**

> Hong Kong stationed RCMP Officer Robert Ring is shaving his head as part of a charity fundraiser for cancer. More correctly, Consul General Doreen Steidle and senior consular staff will shave his head. If you would like to donate on behalf of a loved one who has or is fighting cancer, please click here to support Officer Robert Ring and find out more about why he is taking this stand for the second year in a row.  
[http://www.stbaldricks.org/participants/shavee\\_info.php?ParticipantKey=2009-331462#](http://www.stbaldricks.org/participants/shavee_info.php?ParticipantKey=2009-331462#)

## **ART | Exhibit of limited edition prints of Hong Kong**

> Wittgenstein Editions Gallery is currently showcasing a limited edition range of prints from star photographer Chris Lusher. These Hong Kong captured shots are striking in their detail. The colours vibrate and verge on the surreal and make you question if you really see what you think you see in Hong Kong. Mr. Lusher's limited edition prints will be showcased at the Wittgenstein Editions Gallery at 41 Gage Street in Central. Please call Cl  metine de Forton for viewings at 2542 2628. The exhibit will be in place until the end of April.

## **SEMINAR | Mercer M&A Ready™ 2009 Hong Kong workshop, 19-20 March**

> The first in a series of eight Mercer M&A™ workshops in Asia has kicked off in Hong Kong. Designed specifically to help HR and other professionals get ready for the challenge of M&A work, these workshops deliver valuable business insights, transaction know-how and HR knowledge to empower HR professionals at the deal table. The Mercer M&A™ workshops provide an intense, practical learning environment to equip participants with the confidence and ability for deal work. Our two-day workshop in Hong Kong will be held on 19-20 March. For fees and to register, contact Kitty Cheung ([kitty.cheung@mercer.com](mailto:kitty.cheung@mercer.com)) or go to [www.mercer.com/maready](http://www.mercer.com/maready)

## **FOOD | Island Shangri-La - Pool Deck " Red Hot Salsa Barbecues " & Guest Chefs at Summer Palace**

> Special offer to Canadian Chamber of Commerce Members:

Red Hot Salsa Barbecues

Weekend barbecues at the Pool Deck restaurant begin on 6 March, every Friday and Saturday from 6.30 to 9.30 p.m. The price of the main course includes an appetiser, dessert, unlimited house red and white wine, sparkling Green Point wine by Chandon, Australia as well as tea or coffee. There's a Seafood Platter for two persons, Prime Beef Fillet, Wagyu Sirloin, King Prawns, Norwegian Salmon Steak and more. Complimentary welcome cocktails will be offered to The Canadian Chamber of Commerce members. Call 2820 8580 or e-mail [pooldeck.isl@shangri-la.com](mailto:pooldeck.isl@shangri-la.com)

Monthly special promotion:

Guest Chefs Introduce Huai Yang Specialities

The Michelin two-star Summer Palace welcomes master chefs, together with their Huai Yang specialities from Shangri-La Hotel, Qingdao from 1 to 10 March. The authentic delicacies including Jin Ling salted duck, Steamed minced pork bun, Hand-made noodles in superior fish broth, Boiled glutinous rice dumpling and amongst other dishes. For enquiries, call 2820 8552 or e-mail [summerpalace.isl@shangri-la.com](mailto:summerpalace.isl@shangri-la.com)

## **EDUCATION | The Bishop Strachan School (BSS) will be in Hong Kong and China from March 15-24**

> Deryn Lavell, incoming head of The Bishop Strachan School (BSS), Canada's premier day and boarding school for girls, will be in Hong Kong and China from March 15-24. A select number of spaces are still available for the 2009/10 school year. Ms. Lavell will be available to meet with students and their parents who are seriously considering a Canadian boarding experience and would like more information about BSS.

About The Bishop Strachan School

Located in Toronto, Canada, BSS is renowned for its expertise in the particular learning needs of girls and offers a single-gender environment that helps girls achieve their best both academically and in their life's pursuits. Canada's oldest day and boarding school for girls, BSS continually reaches forward, renewing itself and keeping time with the fast-paced changes and increasing demands of the complicated world its graduates will face. BSS believes girls can do anything and strives to give them the tools to achieve whatever dreams they conceive.

For more information or to set up an appointment please email [gdeguzman@bss.on.ca](mailto:gdeguzman@bss.on.ca).

## **EDUCATION | Upcoming CEC events**

> High School Seminar: Branksome Hall

The Canadian Education Centre (CEC) is pleased to present a High School Seminar by Branksome Hall, a premier all girls' independent boarding school located in downtown Toronto, Ontario. The free information

session will be held on Saturday, March 14 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the Canadian Education Centre, Rm 1216, China Merchants Tower, Shun Tak Centre, 168 Connaught Road Central. (Sheung Wan MTR, Exit D). Mrs. Ruth Ann Penny, Director of Admissions, will give a presentation on Branksome Hall and meet one-on-one with prospective students and parents. Seating is limited; reservations are highly encouraged but not required. For information and enquiries, please call 2524-9668 or visit website at: [www.studyincanada.ca/hongkong](http://www.studyincanada.ca/hongkong).

#### Canadian Education Forum 2009

The Canadian Education Centre (CEC) is proud to announce the Canadian Education Forum 2009. This event will be held on Saturday, March 21 from 12:00noon- 4:00p.m. at the Excelsior Hotel, 281 Gloucester Road, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong. Free admission. Come meet public and private high schools, colleges and universities from across Canada and receive information on short-term, summer and English (ESL) programs. For information and enquiries, please call 2524-9668 or visit our website at: [www.studyincanada.ca/hongkong](http://www.studyincanada.ca/hongkong).

### **SEMINAR | FREE “Study in Canada” Seminars – March 2009**

> March 19, 2009 (Thursday)

18:30-20:00 Comox Valley International Student Program

Suitable for F.1-F.5 students

<http://sd71.bc.ca/international/>

March 23, 2009 (Monday)

18:30-20:00 Burnaby School District

Suitable for F.1-F.5 students

<http://sd41.bc.ca/international/index.htm>

March 24, 2009 (Tuesday)

18:30-20:00 Victoria International High School Programs

Suitable for F.1-F.5 students

<http://www.studyinvictoria.com>

March 25, 2009 (Wednesday)

18:30-20:30 Schools from Nanaimo

Qualicum School District + Vancouver Island University (VIU) + Malaspina High School at VIU

Suitable for F.1-F.7 and post-secondary students (Diploma or Associate Degree holders)

<http://www.schoolincanada.ca> and <http://www.mala.ca/international/index.asp>

For more information, please contact Foreign Student Services (HK) at 2577-9901 or [www.fsshongkong.com](http://www.fsshongkong.com)

### **SEMINAR | Devastated Environment: Not Just Science Fiction**

> Thursday, 12 March, 7pm at Leo Lee Arts Centre, CDNIS

Margaret Atwood's writings often paint a dark picture of our relationship to the environment, exploring the consequences of everything from climate change to genetic engineering. Works like *Oryx and Crake* and *Chicken Little Goes Too Far*, a short story from her most recent mini-fiction collection *The Tent*, depict a world in which our actions have wreaked irreversible havoc on the environment. In this event, Ms. Atwood talks about sustainable development and the need to take action. In conversation with Charles Foran. A wine and jazz reception and book signing will follow the event. This event is with the assistance of the Canadian Consul-General, the Canadian International School, CISPA and Kedington Wines.

For more information or details about tickets: [www.festival.org.hk](http://www.festival.org.hk)

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## **CHAMBER** OPPORTUNITIES

## Membership Information

> For more information on how to join the Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong – the largest and most active Canadian business organization in the world outside Canada, please email your membership manager at [luigi\\_latona@cancham.org](mailto:luigi_latona@cancham.org) or call 2110-8700.

> Changing jobs? Addresses? Emails? Let us know! Contact [luigi\\_latona@cancham.org](mailto:luigi_latona@cancham.org) or call 2110-8700 and we'll keep your information up-to-date.

## Publications

> The Chamber produces the weekly Exchange Express (e-news), Exchange (quarterly magazine), electronic direct mail services and the annual directory. For advertising inquiries, please contact [fanny\\_chan@cancham.org](mailto:fanny_chan@cancham.org) or 2110 8711.

Please note that members should not abuse the privilege of having other CanCham members' contact information.

## Boardroom Rentals

> The Chamber's boardroom is available seven days a week for hourly rental. Our 612 square foot, multi-purpose boardroom can accommodate up to 50 people for meetings, lectures, seminars, luncheons, presentations, and more. For bookings or inquiries, please contact Dipal Sandhu at 2110 8700, or [dipal\\_sandhu@cancham.org](mailto:dipal_sandhu@cancham.org).

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# COMMITTEEMEETINGS

> These meetings are open to all Chamber members in good standing. Committee involvement allows you to enjoy quality networking opportunities as well as assist the Chamber in addressing opportunities and challenges within your industry. Please click [here](#) for further details on each committee.

- 9** Monday, March  
**MEETING | China Business Committee**  
6.30pm-8.00pm  
The Canadian Chamber of Commerce Boardroom, 1301, Kinwick Centre, 32 Hollywood Road, Central
- 12** Thursday, March  
**MEETING | Property Committee**  
Please see "Tram Party" under Events section
- 13** Friday, March  
**MEETING | Sustainable Development Committee**  
8.00am-9.00am  
The Canadian Chamber of Commerce Boardroom, 1301, Kinwick Centre, 32 Hollywood Road, Central
- 16** Monday, March  
**MEETING | Social Committee**  
6.30pm-8.00pm  
The Canadian Chamber of Commerce Boardroom, 1301, Kinwick Centre, 32 Hollywood Road, Central
- 17** Tuesday, March  
**MEETING | Entrepreneur & Small Business Committee**

8.00am-9.00am  
The Canadian Chamber of Commerce Boardroom, 1301, Kinwick Centre, 32 Hollywood Road, Central

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Thursday, March

**MEETING | Young Professionals Committee**

6.30pm-8.00pm  
The Canadian Chamber of Commerce Boardroom, 1301, Kinwick Centre, 32 Hollywood Road, Central

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**MEETING | Education Committee**

6.30pm-8.00pm  
The Canadian Chamber of Commerce Boardroom, 1301, Kinwick Centre, 32 Hollywood Road, Central

Please RSVP to Dipal Sandhu, indicating committee name in the subject line, at [dipal\\_sandhu@cancham.org](mailto:dipal_sandhu@cancham.org) in case of date change.

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## EXTENDED NETWORK

### OVERSEAS | Singapore - Canadian Chamber/Canadian Alumni Golf Day 2009

> Date: Thursday, 2nd April

Registration: Seletar Country Club from 11:00 am onwards  
(includes simple Golfer's lunch buffet)

Shot-gun Start: From 1:00pm onwards

Dinner: Seletar Room, Seletar Country Club from 7:00pm on-wards

Tournament Info: 18 Hole Shot-gun Star -- Stableford format

Price Includes: Green Fee, buggy, tournament shirt, towel, buffet lunch & dinner and exclusive golfer's goodie bag

For Booking Form: [Click Here](#)

### VOLUNTEER | Employee Volunteer Week

> Let's put our hands together for the community

Join the many companies taking part in Hong Kong's first

Employee Volunteer Week 10 -16 May 2009

<http://www.communitybusiness.org.hk/EVWeek2009/>

Employee volunteering (EV) is an inexpensive way to enhance employees' skills and can enable companies to demonstrate their commitment to the community during tough economic times. EV is an essential part of CSR; particularly during a period of economic recession. During EV Week, companies may allow its employees to take time off during the week to volunteer on their own, or it may organise a specific activity or programme of activities for its employees to participate in.

Many companies in Hong Kong may already have successful and active employee volunteering programmes. By identifying a single week in which companies are encouraged to take action in the community, the impact and awareness of such activities can increase dramatically.

Join the many companies taking part and demonstrate your company's commitment by signing up today. For more information, please see: <http://www.communitybusiness.org.hk/EVWeek2009> or contact Ada Wong at [ada@communitybusiness.org.hk](mailto:ada@communitybusiness.org.hk).

**THEATRE | Twice as Good Productions and Sometimes Y Theatre presents: "Shakespeare's Will"**

> "Shakespeare's Will" by Vern Thiessen

"...perceptive and beautifully written..." - The Globe and Mail

"Strongly poetic...meticulously crafted, exquisitely nuanced...." - Edmonton Sun

Directed by: Robert Tsonos

Starring: Suzy Sampson

A play that gives voice to one of the most silent characters in history: Anne Hathaway, the wife of William Shakespeare. By looking through the eyes and heart of the woman who spent a lifetime with-and without-the great writer, this work is the celebration of a life unbowed by tragedy and unapologetic in the face of public scorn.

DATES: March 11th to 15th, 2009  
Wednesday to Sunday at 8:00pm

PLACE: McAulay Studio Theatre, Hong Kong Arts Centre  
2 Harbour Rd., Wanchai

TICKETS: \$220, \$180 (students)  
Available at all URB TIX outlets from February 16th  
[www.urbtix.hk](http://www.urbtix.hk)  
2111-5999

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## **CHAMBERSTAFF**

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