

## HKCC awards scholarships to outstanding students

The Hong Kong Community College (HKCC), a leader in Associate Degree education, recently gave out over \$620,000 scholarships to nearly 250 outstanding students, supporting them to participate in a wide range of summer activities. They include summer schools, internship and job placements, study tours and community services in different countries. The awardees, selected from 1,500 applicants, would have the opportunities to gain valuable study or work experiences in Australia, Canada, the US and the mainland.

HKCC Director Dr Simon Leung remarked, "The College puts in a lot of resources in the whole-person development of students. The aim of introducing these scholarships schemes is to help strengthen students' communication and language skills, and expand their global outlook." ❖



## A display of budding designers' creative works



HKCC staged its annual Design Graduation Show in early June to showcase the works of its 40 graduating associate degree students in various design disciplines, including graphic, product and interior design. The students expressed their hopes and dreams in building a better world through their works designed under the theme "Arise". ❖

## Strong support for English Festival 2006



The kick-off ceremony of English Festival 2006.



Participating student teams get ready for the competition. (Front row, from left) HKCC Director Dr Simon Leung; SCOLAR Member Mr Stephen Chan; and English Festival 2006 Ambassadors Miss Eman Lam and Miss Ellen Loo.

In support of the English Festival 2006 organized by the Standing Committee on Language Education and Research (SCOLAR) to promote the use of English, HKCC initiated the "English Survivor Competition", which was successfully held from March to April. The Competition was supported by 180 teams of secondary school students. They had to race against time in completing various tasks — such as tongue twisters, guessing song lyrics, telling stories — all in English.

HKCC was also appointed the language consultant of the "One-minute English" programme, the Festival's TV series to teach thematic English. ❖

## SPEED helps broaden students' horizon

The School of Professional Education and Executive Development (SPEED) recently awarded its Summer School Scholarships to nine students who possess both outstanding academic accomplishments and achievements in extra-curricular activities. Each of them was granted HK\$25,000 to finance his/her summer school study in the US or Canada for a period of six to eight weeks.

This annual scholarship scheme enables students to learn different cultures and expand their global mindset. ❖



Dr Dennis Chan, Director of SPEED, (front row, third from right); Mr Thomas Wong (left) and Mr Rupert Leung (second from left), Deputy Directors of SPEED, congratulate the scholarship awardees.



At the award presentation ceremony, Dr Chan encourages students to develop global perspectives.

## Intergenerational Dialogues stimulate students' thinking

SPEED recently organized a series of talks by experts in the political, educational, cultural and economic aspects. They served as a platform for cross-generation discussion in the challenges and dilemmas faced by Hong Kong's youngsters after the return of sovereignty to China.

The speakers and topics covered were:

- Mr Ronny Tong Ka-wah, *Legislative Councilor*: A political reform? When and how?
- Mr Samuel Yung, *Chairman, School Advisory Committee, SPEED, and Senior District Director, AIA Co. (Bermuda) Ltd.*: What students need to acquire to face the rapid changing market?
- Ms Leonie Ki, *Managing Director of New World China Enterprises Projects Limited*: How does the China-Hong Kong economy affect us?
- Mr Carl Chang, *CEO of See Corporation Limited*: Is the mass media losing interest in conserving "Hong Kong cultural characteristics" in the face of the China market? ❖

