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# Summer Internship 2015

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Thanks to the opportunity given by Department of Anthropology CUHK, I was able to have my summer internship program in the Dr. Sun Yat-sen Museum. Dr. Sun Yat-sen Museum is located in Kom Tong Hall at 7 Castle Road, Mid Levels, Central, which was the earliest residential buildings constructed with reinforced concrete structure and fitted with concealed electrical wiring in Hong Kong. This one-month internship inspired me that how revitalization of declared monument is applied in the museum design and exhibitions. My duty was mainly divided into 3 parts:

### 1) Assisting in organizing Education and Public activities

My first duty was to provide help in organizing Education and Public activities. The activities aim to provide more in-depth knowledge about the exhibition. I had helped design the lectures including its topics, lecturers and the brief contents. Besides, with an aim of promoting the museum to public, I had also helped design various kinds of hand-on activities to promote alternate museum experience for general public. In addition, I was asked to build a list of communities and public organizations to seek co-operation in promoting upcoming museum fun fair.

### 2) Data filing of the past exhibitions

My second duty was to file the records of the past exhibitions into printed form. I had to collect related information such as publications, exhibits catalogue and exhibition records and rearrange them into order. It served as a precious opportunity that I could get in touch with those records like floor plan, financial budgets. In addition, I was asked to draft a proposal paper on the future exhibition. Hence, I was more familiar with the preparation stage of every exhibition.

### 3) Assisting in post-exhibition work

My final task in my internship was to help in post-exhibition work. I took part in removing objects for special exhibition and clean up the venue for the permanent exhibition. I was able to see the process that staffs checked every single item before sending them back to other museums. Besides, I was told how museum prepare and set the venue for the exhibition. As Kim Tong Hall is

an declared monument, exhibition design becomes so important in order to balance the heritage conservation and museum experience for guests. Lift, armrest, exhibition cabinets and so forth are well designed so that Dr. Sun- Yat-sen Museum can make use of Kim Tong Hall for its museum site.

All in all, my internship experience was really meaningful that it enhanced my knowledge about museum and museum exhibitions. I would like to express my thankfulness to the colleagues at the Dr. Sun Yat-sen Museum for giving me such fruitful internship this summer.