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Appendix: List of 40 Under 40 2017 winners

PERSPECTIVE'S 40 UNDER 40 AWARDS 2017

“Ask not what design can do for you, ask what you can do for design.”

Eleventh edition celebrates future leaders of Asia's design

[Hong Kong, 24 May 2017] *Perspective*, Asia's leading architecture and design magazine, proudly presented the 11th edition of its annual **40 Under 40 Awards**, with a presentation ceremony on 23 May at The Annex, Nan Fung Place 2F-6, 173 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong.



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Recognising young design talents from across Asia, there were a record number of nominations for the 2017 edition in four design fields — art, architecture, interior design and product design. The final 40 were chosen based on professional achievements, contributions to the industry, and potential for future development and growth. Consideration was also given to any awards won, participation in industry events as a speaker, panelist, or judge level (where applicable) and contributions to society.

A thought leadership forum and Q&A themed “2020 vision: Creating a better urban environment - How architects and designers can rise to the unique challenges facing Hong Kong?” was hosted prior to the celebrations. Are we doing enough? This was especially topical in light of recent statistics: the average apartment size in Hong Kong is now 470 square feet, the smallest amongst the world's major developed cities; the Hong Kong Government sets aside only 7% of land for residential use; demographic shifts with Hong Kong's women and men now enjoying the longest life expectancy in the world at 87.3 and 81.2 years respectively, according to data released by Japan's health and welfare ministry and generational low

birth rates of 1.23 births per woman, making it one of the lowest in the world. How could better land planning, smart living and enabling technologies ameliorate these trends? Moderated by Perspective CEO, Peter Jeffery, guest panelists included:



- Alexander Wong is an award-winning architect & architectural writer. A post-graduate from Princeton, he established Alexander Wong Architects in 2001. In 2013 & 2015, Wong was selected by AD (Architectural Digest) China as one of the "100 Top Architecture & Design Talents in China" and voted Best Young Interior Designer of the Decade (HK) in 2015. In 2016, the firm won "World's Best Interior Design" Award at the International Property Awards in London.
- Barrie Ho, founder of Barrie Ho Architecture Interiors Ltd (BHA) is a proud winner of the Asia Pacific Property Awards (Architectural Category) 2013-2017, Golden Pin Design Award 2014, HKIA Cross-Strait Architectural Awards 2013 & 2015, Dubai Cityscape Architectural Awards 2008, and accumulating over 130 international prestigious awards worldwide from Japan, Korea, Shanghai, Beijing, Taiwan, Dubai, United Kingdom and USA. Barrie was awarded "40 Under 40" by Perspective in 2007.
- Bryant is currently Vice Chairman of Ronald Lu & Partners (RLP); an architectural practice housing over 600 staff across Hong Kong, Beijing, Guangzhou, Shanghai and Shenzhen. A graduate from Cornell University, he possesses over fifteen years of experience in architectural design, management and business development. Bryant was awarded "40 Under 40" by Perspective in 2012. Under his leadership, RLP has been ranked as a Top 51 architectural firm by UK's "bd" magazine in 2017 and received over 180 international design awards.
- Johan Persson is a Swedish national with a 20-year record of brand and design management. C'monde Studios, his brand and industrial design consultancy in Hong Kong, is strategy and research-driven, operating at the intersection of business, brand and design. He came to Hong Kong in 2004 with the backing of two pioneering Scandinavian agencies – No Picnic and Veryday. Based in Hong Kong, Johan's studio is poised to improve concept feasibility and gain access to early idea validation to maintain design integrity throughout the Chinese manufacturing process.

- Nelson Chow, founder of NC Design & Architecture Ltd. (NCDA) is a Hong Kong-based architectural design firm specializing in restaurants and hospitality projects. It covers the full design remit encompassing interiors, bespoke furniture and innovative products, through to graphic design and the development of exclusive brand narratives. For NCDA, storytelling is the art of inspiration. Its projects exist at the intersection of art and architecture and help start creative collaborations, and deliver projects with their own visual identity that tell a unique story.



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“In its eleventh year, the 40 Under 40 Awards continues to grow from strength to strength. We take great pride paving a path to nurture some of tomorrow’s design leaders.” said Peter Jeffery, CEO, Perspective Limited. “We hope their success lights a beacon to inspire an emerging generation of new young design talent. Some have gone on to earn worldwide acclaim such as Andre Fu, Ma Yansong, Bjarke Ingels and Sou Fujimoto. To have selected over 400 winners is an astonishing achievement and we thank all our sponsors who have supported us on this wonderful journey.”

Joining the 40 Under 40 awards 11th anniversary celebration were many of the past winners, as well as award presenters Ms. Winnie Lui (Vice President, Marketing, HKT Premier), Ms. Maggie Yeung (Assistant Manager, Business & Project, circle dynamic), Mr. Barrie Ho (BARRIE HO Architecture & Interiors Ltd), Ms. Denise Lau (CEO B.S.C. Group).

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Full details of the winners and projects can be found at www.perspectiveglobal.com/awards/40-under-40/

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ABOUT 40 UNDER 40

Perspective's 40 Under 40 2017 awards honour talented young individuals under the age of 40 who will lead Asia's design industry in the next two decades. Four areas are covered: art, architecture, interior design and product design.

ABOUT PERSPECTIVE



Perspective is an English monthly magazine focusing on contemporary design from architecture and interiors, to graphics and product design. A vital source of information for architects and design professionals, every issue provides a penetrating look at trends, recent projects, and the latest innovative designs from around the globe. With coverage of cutting-edge design concepts and interviews with influential, leading designers, readers gain insight into today's architecture and design, and the latest information that is relevant and vital to the industry.

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What our readers say about Perspective:

Keith Griffiths, Chairman, Aedas:

"*Perspective* magazine is a popular architecture and design magazine that is dedicated and responsive to the latest creative designs around the globe. As Design Architect, Aedas places creativity and creative thinking above everything. *Perspective* provides an excellent platform to spread our creative design solutions that are tailored to the needs of communities around the world, just like how we always look to push our limits and remain as an industry-leading practice with a track record of delivering world-class, locally sensitive design."

John Campbell, Chairman of the Hong Kong chapter of RIBA (Royal Institute of British Architects):

"*Perspective* has consistently provided the architectural and design industry with insightful articles and publications that are always superbly produced with a very high standard of graphics and photo imagery. The regular publications, yearbooks and awards keep *Perspective* at the forefront of local knowledge transfer and professional development."

Ken Hau, 2016 President of Hong Kong chapter of AIA (American Institute of Architects):

"AIA Hong Kong and *Perspective* began The Brain Trust series in 2009 and continue on to become the Chapter's events media partner in 2016. The magazine impresses me of its breadth and depth of its coverage of issues that are relevant to the design and the development of our built environment. My congratulations to the magazine's continue successes and achievements. Bravo *Perspective*!"

Barrie Ho, Founder & Director, BARRIE HO ARCHITECTURE INTERIORS:

"*Perspective* magazine provides the oxygen necessary for sustaining the life breath of architects and designers, as well as for the recharging and refreshing of energy for creativity and originality through its informative coverage of global architecture, design, style and trends. Activities such as its 40 Under 40 programme nourishes a new synergy for younger generations to foster design excellences and to design for an even better future."

Bryant Lu, Vice-Chairman, Ronald Lu & Partners:

"*Perspective* magazine provides me with the latest information on our industry and market trends."

APPENDIX: 40 UNDER 40 2017 WINNERS

ARCHITECTURE (12 WINNERS)

1. Akshay Heranjal
Principal Architect
The Purple Ink Studio | India
www.thepurpleinkstudio.com
2. Anubhav Gupta
Chief Design Officer, Business Head - Vikhroli, Head of CSR & Sustainability
Godrej Properties | India
www.godrejproperties.com
3. Camiel Weijenberg
Founder & Director
Weijenberg | Singapore
www.weijenberg.co
4. Charles Chu, Director
Jonathan Kong, Design Director
James Law Cybertecture | Hong Kong
www.jameslawcybertecture.com
5. Dora Chi
Principal & Director
spatial practice | Hong Kong
www.spatialpractice.com
6. Han Wenqiang
Founder & Principal Architect
Arch Studio | China
www.archstudio.cn
7. Ian Hau
Founder & Director
XLMS | Hong Kong
www.xlms.co
8. Jane Luk
Project Leader
Sou Fujimoto Architects | Japan
www.sou-fujimoto.net
9. Kenrick Wong
Founder
Orient Occident Atelier | Hong Kong
www.ooa.design
10. Stanley Pun
Associate Partner
Foster + Partners | Hong Kong
www.fosterandpartners.com
11. Vicky Chan
Director
Avoid Obvious Architects | Hong Kong
www.aoarchitect.us
12. Woon Chung Yen
Associate Director
DP Architects | Singapore
www.dpa.com.sg

ART (8 WINNERS)

13. Catherine Grossrieder
Artist/Graphic Designer
Cath Love | Hong Kong
www.cathlove.com
14. Koanne Ko
Illustrator | Hong Kong
www.koanneko.com
15. Pete Ross
Artist | Hong Kong
www.peteross.hk
16. Queenie Law
Founder
Production Q | Hong Kong
www.productionq.co
17. Sarah Choo Jing
Multidisciplinary Fine Artist | Singapore
www.sarahchoojing.com
18. Tugo Cheng
Professional Architect & Fine Art Photographer | Hong Kong
www.tugocheng.com
19. Vivian Ho
Artist | Hong Kong
www.vivian-ho.com
20. Xie Rong
Artist | UK

INTERIOR DESIGN (12 WINNERS)

21. Alex Mok & Briar Hickling
Co-founders
Linehouse | China
www.linehousedesign.com
22. Ben McCarthy
Founder & Director
Charlie & Rose | Hong Kong
www.charlieandrose.com.hk
23. Emma Maclean
Senior Designer
Studio HBA | Hong Kong
www.studiohba.com
24. Geila Daughtrey
Founder & Creative Director
Rockett Studio | Singapore
www.rockett.com.sg
25. Jaco Pan
Founder & Design Director
Minggu Design | China
www.minggu-design.net

26. James JJ Acuna
Founder & Creative Director
JJA / Bespoke Architecture | Hong Kong & Manila
www.jjabespoke.com
27. Katherine Wong
Principal
Katherine Wong Design Studio | Hong Kong
www.katherine-wong.com
28. Kenny Kinugasa-Tsui & Lorène Faure
Founding Directors
Bean Buro | Hong Kong
www.beanburo.com
29. Maxime Dautresme
Co-Founder & Creative Director
Substance | Hong Kong
www.substance.hk
30. Rowena Gonzales
Principal, Founder
Liquid Interiors | Hong Kong
www.liquid-interiors.com
31. Shichao Zhao
Project Designer
HBA | Hong Kong
www.hba.com
32. Vincent Lim, Co-founder & Creative Director
Elaine Lu, Co-founder & Managing Director
Lim + Lu | Hong Kong
limandlu.com

PRODUCT DESIGN (8 WINNERS)

33. Aakriti Kumar
Founder
Differniture Spaces | India
differniture.wordpress.com
34. Daisuke Kitagawa
Founder
Design for Industry | Japan
www.designforindustry.jp
35. Hon Hew Fung, Gary
Founder
WOWOW Studio | Hong Kong
www.wowow-studio.com
36. Joe Wong
Co-founder & Creative Director
Takon Product Development | Hong Kong
www.takon.hk
37. Minnie Jan
Co-founder
MisoSoupDesign | Taiwan
www.misosoupdesign.com

38. Ryan Yeung
Product Designer
Tektos | Hong Kong
www.tektosworld.com

39. Yang Yide
Design Director
Mr. Sheep Design | Taiwan
www.mrsheep.co

40. Yota Kakuda
Founder & President
Yota Kakuda Design
www.yotakakuda.com