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Hang Lung Young Architects Program Adapts to Online Learning Virtual Overseas Tours and Workshops for 330 Students During Class Suspension

(Hong Kong, April 8, 2020) The Hang Lung Young Architects Program 2019-20 is providing virtual workshops and digital tours of Hong Kong and other cities, to protect students' health during the current COVID-19 outbreak. Keen to help students continue their learning from home at this time, the Program has developed new ways of teaching important skills, from sketching to 3D modeling, using digital tools that mean everyone can interact while staying safe. All participating students appreciated this diversified online learning opportunity during the suspension of regular classes.

Over 330 students and their mentors joined a virtual tour in February around Western and Central District, and another in March focused on Innovation Architecture. Interactive tasks have been arranged for participants via online platforms to help students understand and appreciate Hong Kong's varied architectural characteristics and styles, as well as see local sustainable architecture, and green and innovative buildings overseas.

Tutors have been able to demonstrate sketching skills, and students have practiced and shared their sketches online; some are already sketching to a professional standard. In addition, they have learned the skills required to do online 3D building modeling which can be applied to the preparation of their final project.

Team of Stewards Ma Kam Ming Charitable Foundation Ma Ko Pan Memorial College commented, "We can visit architecture in Hong Kong and overseas from home through these online tours. It is an unforgettable experience to be learning architectural knowledge online at this challenging time."

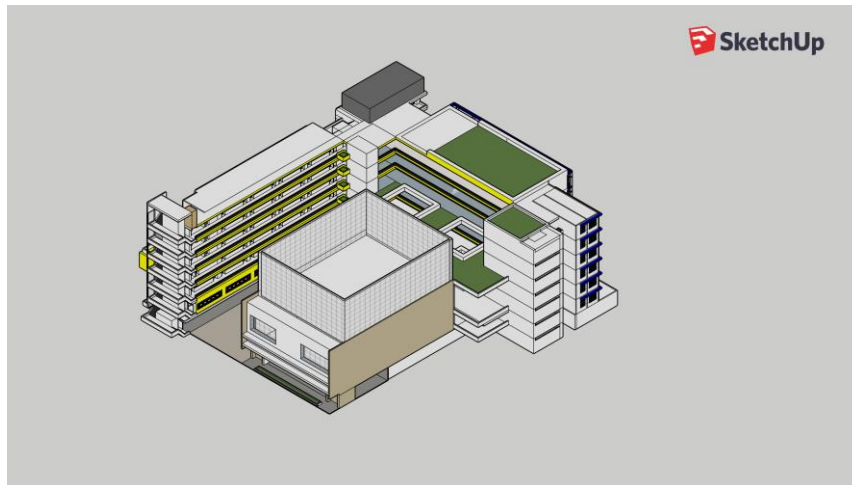
Toto Chan Hok To, a student at Sing Ying Secondary School, said, “Lots of activities have been suspended, but I’m delighted that the Hang Lung Young Architects Program is using creative ways to help us continue learning. The virtual tours and online courses are a brand new way of learning, and I’ve found it very satisfying to be able to learn 3D digital modeling from home.”

Each participating team is guided by one mentor, and works closely on year-round activities in preparation for the final competition. “The virtual tours enable me and my team members to appreciate architecture in Hong Kong from the safety of home. Just as importantly, I have been able to witness my team’s growth, and have watched them apply the knowledge they are acquiring,” said Tigris Chan Cheuk Yin, a mentor who is studying for a Bachelor of Arts in Landscape Studies at University of Hong Kong.

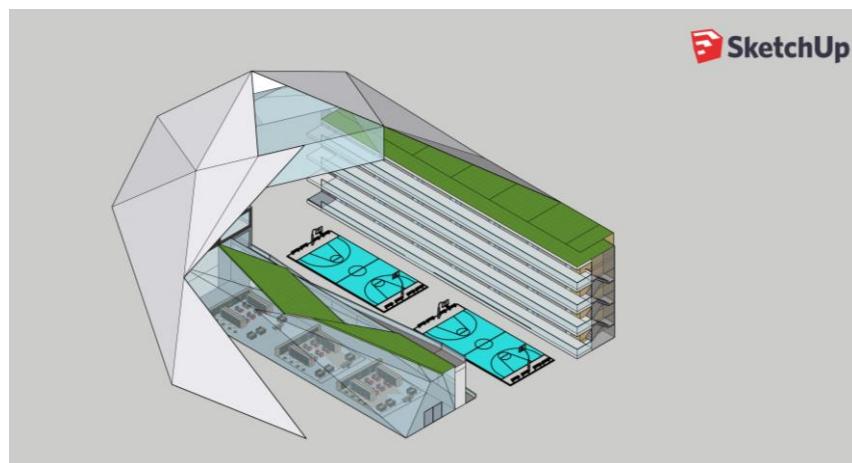
In mid-April, participants will learn about 3D model making online, and teams are preparing for a creative competition called “Sketch Your Sky” using the knowledge they have gained so far. Their online report and video presentation submission deadline is May 3, and the Champion, 1st runner up and 2nd runner up will be announced in early July.

The Hang Lung Young Architects Program 2019-20 commenced in September last year. The aim was to use interactive seminars, workshops, walking tours and creative competition to help students explore Hong Kong’s unique architectural, cultural and historical developments, while gaining a better understanding of the connections between architecture and the community.

Photo Description



Students use a 3D modeling program to design their dream school



Students add innovative design elements to enhance the school's modern style



During the virtual tour, students demonstrate their sketching skills. Some of their work is a comparable standard to sketches drawn by professional architects

Rapid Sketching Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A7rptTphGOE>

3D modeling teaching, and students' models video: <https://youtu.be/khqXvJgVMPs>

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