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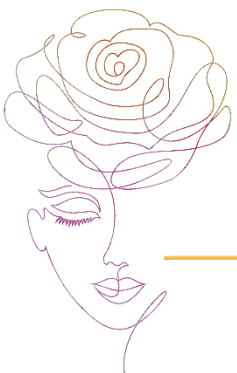


Biennium Report
2024 - 2026

Resilience.
Brilliance.

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About Zonta

THE ZONTA CLUB OF HONG KONG, chartered in 1972, was the first Zonta International club established in Hong Kong. The Zonta Club of Hong Kong works towards improving the legal, political, economic, educational, health, and professional status of women, as well as advancing understanding, goodwill, and peace through fellowship among executives in business and the professions.

Through a system of committees, the Zonta Club of Hong Kong implements service programmes in joint efforts with local community groups and facilitates discussions and the submission of views on public policies. It also manages and contributes to a diverse range of local service projects to help the needy in Hong Kong. Since its inception, it has contributed over HK$20 million to such projects.

To encourage the younger generation to enter public affairs and policy-making fields, the Zonta Club of Hong Kong has established six Z Clubs and two Golden Z Clubs in collaboration with secondary schools and tertiary institutions respectively. Apart from providing services to the community, members of Z Clubs and Golden Z Clubs also take part in joint activities to enhance social awareness and develop their leadership skills.

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL is a global organization of executives and professionals working together to empower women through service and advocacy. Founded in 1919 in Chicago, Illinois, USA, Zonta International now has over 25,600 members in more than 1,070 clubs across 65 countries. It holds consultative status with six agencies of the United Nations and two international organizations.

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Yolanda Yeh
Anna Yeung
Kathleen Yip, JP

Message from Patron



Patron
Zonta Club of Hong Kong
Mrs. Janet Lee
Wife of the Chief
Executive of HKSAR

Congratulations to the Zonta Club of Hong Kong on another fruitful biennium.

Over the past two years, the Club has remained steadfast in its mission to build a better world for women and girls, continuing to play a significant role in enhancing the health, education, political, and economic status of women, and in offering assistance to those in need. Concerted efforts were made to support an array of meaningful service and advocacy projects, including Awareness to Action, Walk The Talk to Gender Equality and Empower the Journey which impart the Club's important values. The Golden Z Clubs have also created a strong impact through engaging in service projects for underprivileged families, serving the community while enhancing social awareness.

My sincere gratitude to the outgoing President and her Board for their tireless endeavours and remarkable achievements. Looking ahead, I wish the incoming Board every success in leading the Club to new heights in its work towards shaping a more inclusive society.



Mrs. Janet Lee
Patron

Message from District Governor



District Governor
District 17
Zonta International
Winnie Wong

Congratulations to the Zonta Club of Hong Kong on the occasion of your installation ceremony for the 2026-2028 biennium.

Thank you, President Shirley and the Board of Directors, for your leadership. Thank you for initiating and implementing many meaningful advocacy and service projects for women and girls, the elderly, children and youth and those with special needs. The 2024-2026 District 17 Area 2's Most Outstanding Club Award is well deserved. Thank you for nurturing our future leaders. The Club has spent precious time and thoughts in mentoring your many Golden Z and Z clubs with enthusiasm.

Congratulations to incoming president Gillian Choa and her board for taking up the realm and continuing the mission to build a better world for women and girls. I have confidence that under her leadership, the Zonta Club of Hong Kong will continue to shine from strength to strength in the biennium to come.

Winnie Wong

Winnie Wong
District 17 Governor
2024-2026

Message from Area Director



Area 2 Director
District 17
Thelma Tong

Congratulations to Zonta Club of Hong Kong for its achievements in this biennium (2024-2026)!

In this biennium, under the leadership of President Shirley, the Club has continued its dedication and commitment to "Build a Better World for Women and Girls" in our local community through its advocacy and service projects. These projects include "Awareness to Action" (promoting family harmony and supporting the Zonta Says No to Violence against Women Campaign), "Walk the Talk to Gender Equality" (advocating for gender equality), "Empower the Journey" (supporting breast cancer patients with their recovery), "Free Coding Class" (empowering underprivileged children), "2030 Climate Act" (raising awareness of climate justice in support of the Zonta Says Now campaign) and more. It has also put much effort into nurturing the youth members of its Golden Z and Z Clubs in leadership and life skills, and in serving our community through meaningful service events. These are amazing achievements that have benefitted many in our community.

In the past two years, it has been my pleasure, in my dual capacity as Area Director as well as a member of the Club, to work with President Shirley, and to witness the dedication of the Club members to furthering the Zonta Mission throughout this biennium. It is also my pleasure, at this Installation Ceremony, to welcome the incoming President Gillian Choa and the new Board. I wish the Club all the best in the coming biennium (2026-2028).



Thelma Tong
District 17, Area 2 Director
2024-2026

Executive Board 2024-2026



President
Shirley Chan



First Vice President
Lui Tong



Second Vice President
Teresa Chan



Treasurer
Yolanda Yeh



Correspondence Secretary
Eva Chan



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Joyce Tam



Director
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Nora Leung



Director
Susan Wai



Director
Julia Wen



Director
June Wong



Parliamentarian
Kathleen Yip, JP



Ex-Officio
Eva Ip



Trust Treasurer
Carmen Kan

President's Report



President
Zonta Club of Hong Kong
Shirley Chan

As many of you know, I am in the diamond manufacturing industry. For decades, I have held rough stones in my palm. And I have learned this truth: a diamond's beauty is not born in comfort. It is born deep within the earth, under unimaginable heat and relentless pressure. Its "resilience" is in the dark. Its "brilliance" is the light it brings forth to the world from that very darkness.

That, my dear Zontians, has been the story of our biennium. Two years ago, when I had the honor of becoming your President, I chose "Resilience & Brilliance" as our theme. Tonight, as I report on our biennium, and pass the torch at this Installation Ceremony, I want to show you how these two qualities – like the diamonds I know best – have shaped everything we have achieved together.

Part I: Resilience – The Unseen Strength

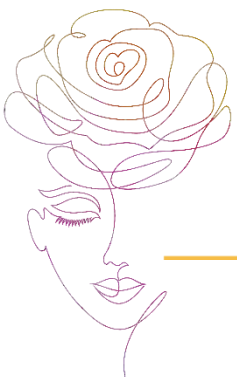
Resilience is not loud. It is the silent, unbreakable strong bond of a diamond's structure. And over the last two years, our Zonta Club of Hong Kong has shown exactly that kind of resilience.

- **Resilience through crisis.** Through the Awareness to Action (A2A) service project with Tung Wah Group of Hospital Cease Crisis Centre, and emergency support following the Tai Po Wan Fuk Court fire.
- **Financial resilience.** We organized a very fun and successful Glitter & Glow Fundraising Gala 2026 held in March at the Ocean Park Fullerton Hotel with over 200 guests in attendance, raising over HK$1.8 million. Those funds do not sit idle. They become shelters, scholarships, medical and legal aid.
- **Resilience of spirit.** Everyone faces setbacks, and we help each other stand up again. Resilience is cutting a new facet each time we rise after falling. We help through Walk the Talk to Gender Equality with H.K.S.K.H. Lady MacLehose Centre.

Part II: Brilliance – The Light We Refuse to Hide

A diamond that never leaves the rough is just a stone. Resilience earns us the right to shine. And brilliance – true brilliance – is what happens when we let our work catch the light and break it into a rainbow of colors of justice in equality.

- **Brilliance in education.** Through our Golden Z Clubs at The University of Hong Kong and Academy of Performing Arts, and through our Z Clubs in six secondary schools in Hong Kong, we are able to offer mentorship programmes, leadership developments, international views, and achievement awards to bring out the best potential of our young people.
- **Brilliance in health.** We partnered with Hong Kong Breast Cancer Foundation on the Empower the Journey Program, Kwai Tsing District Health Centre for Women Wellness Talks, and Ronald McDonald House Charities Hong Kong for a Family Art Workshop and Activity Day.



- **Brilliance in advocacy.** Our 4 advocacy projects: 2030 Climate Act with Hong Kong Red Cross Humanitarian Education Centre, Free Coding Class with Preface School of Technology, Carbon Neutrality 2025 with Lang Qing Charity, Joint Club Advocacy Project with Po Leung Kuk; along with 6 inspiring and informative speakers invited by our Programme Committee; and our social media platforms consisting of our Club's website, Facebook and Instagram, have all been very effective and useful tools in advocacy.
- **Brilliance in bonding.** A single diamond shines, but a bracelet of diamonds sparkles much brighter – that is what our Club has become. Membership has grown to 72, an increase of 7.5% even with our strict admission criteria. Fellowship Committee has organized 3 memorable and joyous events, and quarterly birthday cake cutting seems to add a sweet frosting to our sisterhood. Our Club organized the Opening Gala of the 23rd District 17 Conference in Macau and won 4 honourable District awards. Some members also attended the 3rd Zonta Asian Inter-District Meeting held in Fukuoka in April.

Lastly, I must thank my Board Members, Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs, service partners, speakers, sponsors, volunteers, for their hard work, kind assistance and guidance; and every one of you – from our youngest member to our most seasoned veteran – for adding your own sparkle. Together, we did not just reflect light. We became the light for women who had been left in the dark.

Every time we choose action over apathy, we cut a new facet. Every time we lift a woman up, we let the light hit that facet. And we want that light to shine in Hong Kong.

To Gigi and the Incoming Board, congratulations! This club – this magnificent, resilient, brilliant club – will shine under your leadership and the Board.

Tonight, we both install a new President and Board and celebrate the closure of our biennium. It is a moment of gratitude for what has been achieved and optimism for all that lies ahead.

Thank you.



Shirley Chan
President, Zonta Club of Hong Kong

Installation Committee Report



Chairperson
Teresa Chan

The Installation Ceremony of the 2024-2026 Board took place on 28 May 2024 at The Hong Kong Club. The dinner event was well attended by 47 members and 32 guests.

The Ceremony commenced with a review of the 2022-2024 biennium by Outgoing President Eva Ip. This was then followed by a keynote address on "How Urban Renewal and Developments in New Development Areas Can Help Enhance Quality of Life" by Ms. Bernadette Linn Hon-ho, Secretary for Development. The official installation of officers and directors of the new Board was conducted by Past Zonta International Director and Past District 17 Governor Kathleen Yip. The newly installed President, Shirley Chan, concluded the Ceremony with her inaugural speech, highlighting the pledges for accomplishing the Club mission in the new biennium.

We applauded our Outgoing President Eva and her 2022-2024 Board for their impressive efforts and achievements in the last biennium

My heartfelt appreciation goes to my committee members for their creativity, efficiency and dedication in making this Ceremony vibrant and successful.

Teresa Chan
Installation Committee Chairperson

Members
Eva Chan
Shirley Chan
Eva Ip
Michele Lau
Lisa Lee



Executive Board 2024-2026

Membership and Attendance Committee Report



Chairperson
Kathleen Yip



Vice Chairperson
Julia Wen

Members
Josephine Chang
Doris Chu
Pansy Leung
Susan Wai
June Wong
Yolanda Yeh

At the beginning of the 2024–2026 biennium, we had 69 members, including 7 Honorary Members. Since then, we were delighted to welcome 5 new members, Betty Chung, Agnes Hui, Charlotte Hui, Louise Kwong and Carol Tam, who joined us during this biennium. Unfortunately, Zontians Jovian Cheung and Eva Kwok resigned. Total membership stands at 72 as at 31 March 2026.



Betty Chung



Agnes Hui



Charlotte Hui



Louise Kwong



Carol Tam

In line with Zonta's membership objective to "Recruit, Retain and Rejuvenate", the committee worked hard to recruit our 5 new and young members. Their sponsors took care of the new Zontians and helped them settle into the Zonta family.

The Best Attendance Award is back after an absence of two biennia due to COVID. In computing attendance, we have taken into consideration Zontians' attendance at luncheon meetings, Area Meeting, Service, Advocacy and Fellowship activities for the period from 1 June 2024 to 14 April 2026.

Awards will be presented at the Installation Ceremony and Dinner on 26 May 2026. Topping the list is President Shirley. Other awardees are Teresa Chan, Michele Lau, Fiona Ng, Linda Wang, Yolanda Yeh and Kathleen Yip.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all Committee Members for their strong support and participation. In particular, I would like to thank our Secretary Jessie for handling and keeping our records.

Kathleen Yip
Membership and Attendance Committee Chairperson

Nominating Committee Report



Chairperson
Kathleen Yip

After careful consideration, the Nominating Committee recommended the following members to form the new board. We are pleased to present the following slate of nominees for the Zonta Club of Hong Kong's Executive Board 2026-2028.

Slate of Executive Board 2026-2028

President:	Gillian Choa
1st Vice President:	Joyce Tam
2nd Vice President:	Eva Chan
Recording Secretary:	Fiona Ng
Correspondence Secretary:	Karen Lam
Treasurer:	Yolanda Yeh
Directors:	Diana Lai
	Eva Ip
	Nora Leung
	Thelma Tong
	June Wong
	Christine Wu
Ex-Officio:	Shirley Chan
Trust Treasurer:	Pansy Leung
Parliamentarian:	Kathleen Yip

I would like to thank my committee members, Josephine Chang and Pauline Ng. We have also consulted a number of senior / experienced Zontians and Committee Chairs for their suggestions in coming up with the above slate. We thank them for their valuable advice.

Due consent was obtained from each of the above members for the election. We thank all the nominees for their commitment to serve our Club. We have full confidence that they will be able to make valuable contributions to the Club.

Members
Pauline Ng
Josephine Chang

Kathleen Yip
Nominating Committee Chairperson

Program Committee Report



Co-Chairperson
Pansy Leung



Co-Chairperson
Joyce Tam

Members
Pauline Ng
June Wong

In the 2024–2026 biennium, the Program Committee invited seven guest speakers from diverse professional backgrounds to speak at our general meetings. Their talks covered a wide range of topics and were both enriching and inspiring.

1. "Advance Decision on Life-sustaining Treatment Bill: The Legislative Background and Main Provisions" (24 September 2024)

Mr. Eddie Lee, JP, Deputy Secretary for Health 2, Health Bureau, shared the legislative background and main provisions of the Bill, as well as key issues concerning end-of-life care and associated health policy matters. Mr. Lee's areas of focus include the development and promotion of primary healthcare, Chinese medicine, policy matters relating to mental health, anti-smoking and tobacco control, and end-of-life care, among others.

2. "Update on Housing Policy in Hong Kong" (9 December 2024)

Ms. Winnie Ho, JP, Secretary for Housing, shared her housing strategy for Hong Kong and focused particularly on how this strategy aimed to create a sense of well-being among residents of public housing developments, especially the elderly. Secretary Ho holds multiple professional qualifications, including Fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Architects, Registered Architect, and Fellow of the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers.

3. "Is AI Too Good to be True? What's Next in 2025?" (25 February 2025)

Mr. Tommie Lo, Founder and CEO of Preface, gave an insightful talk on the fast-changing AI landscape, what we can all do to become more informed and equipped, and the role of women in technology. Mr. Lo and his firm, Preface, pioneered an innovative business model that provides up-to-date education in coding and technology to individuals and corporations.



"Advance Decision on Life-sustaining Treatment Bill" with Mr. Eddie Lee



"Is AI Too Good to be True? What's Next in 2025?" with Mr. Tommie Lo





"Update on Housing Policy in Hong Kong" with Secretary Winnie Ho

4. "Appreciation of Fancy-Coloured Diamonds and Treasure Gems" (15 April 2025)

Ms. Vicki Chan, Executive Director of Continental Diamond, shared valuable insights on fancy-coloured diamonds and precious stones, including the segments of the jewellery market that are likely to benefit from growing demand and increasing rarity. She also prepared a display of diamonds and precious stones for members to appreciate during her talk. Ms. Chan has 30 years of experience in the jewellery trade, spanning the wholesale, manufacturing and retail sectors of fine jewellery.



"Appreciation of Fancy-Coloured Diamonds and Treasure Gems" with Ms. Vicki Chan

5. "Paradigm Shifts in Global University Pathways" (21 October 2025)

Ms. Jennifer Ma, Former Group Chief Strategy Officer for CTF Education Group, shared thoughtful insights into the evolving education landscape and the shifting role of education in an AI-shaped world. With extensive and multifaceted experience in education, Ms. Ma has helped build institutions designed for a global future. She believes that education should serve not only as a means of credential-building, but also as a foundation for human development in an AI-shaped world.

6. "Property Outlook for Hong Kong, China and Overseas" (13 January 2026)

Ms. Christina Gaw, Managing Principal of Gaw Capital, gave a fireside chat hosted by our committee member June Wong. The discussion was wide-ranging, covering women's leadership, the journey of Gaw Capital from a single-asset-class real estate specialist to a multi-asset global presence, and the property sector outlook for Hong Kong and China.

7. "全國兩會精神分享會 - 對接'十五五'藍圖獻策香港五年規劃" (14 April 2026)

Ms. Agnes Chan, Senior Advisor, EY Greater China Chairman Office, shared highlights from her recent trip to attend China's annual National Two Sessions and explained how the 15th Five-Year Plan Blueprint guides Hong Kong's development plan for the next five years. Ms. Chan has more than 30 years of experience in providing tax and business advisory services to a broad range of local and multinational organisations. She is also a member of the 14th National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference.

Pansy Leung & Joyce Tam
Program Committee Co-Chairpersons



"Paradigm Shifts in Global University Pathways" with Ms. Jennifer Ma



"Property Outlook for Hong Kong, China and Overseas" with Ms. Christina Gaw



"National Two Sessions & 15th Five-Year Plan" with Ms. Agnes Chan

Service Committee Report



Chairperson
Eva Ip



Vice Chairperson
Bonnie Kwan

Members
Susan Louie Chan
Josephine Chang
Diana Lai
Karen Lam
Michele Lau
Janet Luk
Fiona Ng
Carol Tam
Linda Wang
Julia Wen
Kathleen Yip

During this biennium, the Service Committee launched five impactful service projects in partnership with NGOs to empower women and girls, enhance their health, economic, and educational wellbeing, combat violence against women, and address broader community needs.

Awareness to Action (A2A) 跨癒傳愛計劃

In collaboration with the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals CEASE Crisis Centre (the "Centre"), the A2A project supports survivors of violence who are temporarily residing at, or have recently left, the Centre by providing activities that help them process trauma, rebuild confidence, and prepare for reintegration into the community. The project also raises public awareness and promotes the prevention of intergenerational violence and intimate partner abuse.



Women at Cease Crisis Centre joining Zontians to say NO to violence against women

Launched in November 2024, the project began with a symbolic circle painting created with women residing at the Centre to highlight the importance of communication, cooperation, and creative problem-solving in nurturing healthy family relationships. Displayed at the entrance of TWGHs TungPo, a youth-focused creative and innovation hub in Hong Kong, the artwork helped spread the message "Say No to Violence" to many young people during the 16 Days of Activism campaign.





Circle painting created by Zontians in collaboration with women at the Cease Crisis Centre, displayed at TungPo

Our Club also co-organized a one-minute video competition that attracted more than 80 submissions across four themes: strengthening support networks against family violence, enhancing family communication, preventing intergenerational violence, and preventing intimate partner abuse. Presented during Zonta Rose Day on March 8, 2025, the awards ceremony featured a survivor's sharing on resilience and recovery.

The videos generated over 3,000 views and about 1,000 likes on social media, while press coverage and a feature on the Zonta International website extended the campaign's reach to tens of thousands. Through these channels, the message "Love Yourself" was reinforced, underscoring the importance of women's wellbeing in building happy families.



崇德社反家暴頒獎禮 向女性傳達「愛自己」

香港崇德社於本月8日的國際婦女節和崇德社玫瑰日，支持了2項與女性有密切關係的活動，舉行反家暴影片製作比賽頒獎禮和性別平等主題講座。頒獎禮意在向女性觀眾傳達「愛自己」的訊息，有1名女性家暴親歷者分享了親身經歷，觸動觀眾，而講座亦得到女性參與者的熱情反饋。

香港崇德社早前與東華三院平息危機中心合作，推出1分鐘影片製作比賽，於上周六正式舉行頒獎禮。比賽圍繞着「強化應對家庭暴力的支援能力/網絡」、「強化家庭有效溝通」、「預防/停止戀愛暴力」及「預防/停止跨代暴力」4個主題，旨在提高公眾對培養共同努力建立家庭和睦的意識，制止家庭暴力。期間1位女性過來人分享了遭受家庭暴力後的復原過程與轉變，令觀眾動容。

■崇德社舉行反家暴影片製作比賽頒獎禮和性別平等主題講座。

Local newspaper coverage on our one-minute video competition award presentation

The A2A Closing Ceremony was held in April at TWGHs TungPo. It was heartening to witness the women survivors' growth and recovery over the past two years. Four videos captured their healing journey: Ceasing Pain (紙箱.止傷), Repair and Recovery (修補.療癒), Bitterness Fades, Sweetness Returns (苦盡.回甘), and Journey Together (側寫.同行). Certificates of appreciation were presented to survivor-mentors and male volunteers in recognition of their dedication and to encourage their continued support for other women survivors.

The ceremony concluded with The Circle of Power (轉化之圓), a circular flower garden symbolizing inner transformation and the strength of collective action against intergenerational and intimate partner violence. Our Zontians and participants came together to "plant" a three-dimensional circular artwork with sunflowers and hyacinths, symbolizing power, hope, recovery, and rebirth. An exhibition of artworks and creations by the women survivors also reminded us of the hardships they had endured and their gradual return to peace.

Overall, the A2A project reached more than 100 female survivors and their families. In recognition of its impact, our Club received the Gold Award for Outstanding Service at the District 17 Conference. Healing is a long process, and the A2A closing marks only one chapter. We look forward to continuing to support these women in the next biennium.



A2A Closing – Participants 'planted' a circular artwork featuring sunflowers and hyacinths.



Artworks and creations by women survivors

Walk the Talk to Gender Equality 「以愛起動」婦女社區計劃

We have maintained a long-standing collaboration of over 10 years with the H.K.S.K.H. Lady MacLehose Centre (LMC), Family Activity & Resource Centre. For this biennium, we co-developed and partnered with LMC on our "Walk the Talk to Gender Equality" project. The project aims to help low-income women in Hong Kong's Kwai Tsing district – which ranks among the top five districts with the highest number of family violence victims — to become aware of their right to say "NO" to violence and to equip them to identify stress from family crisis at an early stage. The project also focuses on enhancing their self-confidence and stress management skills.

During the service day held in November 2024 as part of the 16 Days of Activism, 60 women and girls from the district attended the event. The programme included a talk on psychological health by a counselling psychologist, followed by a fashion show performed by the female participants, who showcased the confidence they had built through our program. The event concluded with interactive booths highlighting gender equality, manned by our Golden Z members and volunteers from the district, further reinforcing our commitment to women advocacy. Through these booths, we also had the opportunity to talk to the women beneficiaries and provide them with support and encouragement.



Spreading the message of saying NO to violence against women with women in the Kwai Tsing District

The project delivered 20 workshops and a camp, including a children's resilience workshop, "Listen to My Own Voice" counselling services, and other supportive programmes, reaching and benefiting more than 300 women and their families.

On 2025 International Women's Day, the programme hosted a talk featuring a speaker from the Equal Opportunities Commission for 30 women in the Kwai Tsing district. The discussion focused on introducing the Family Status Discrimination Ordinance and the Sex Discrimination Ordinance, both newly enacted in late 2024. These ordinances prohibit discrimination based on family status and sex, raising awareness of gender equity among the participants.



Community outreach through game booths and exhibitions to promote the message of gender equality and love



Equal Opportunities Talk offered to women in the Kwai Tsing District

Empower the Journey

We partnered with the Hong Kong Breast Cancer Foundation ("HKBCF") on the "Empower the Journey - Pre- and Post-Treatment Adjustments for Breast Cancer Patients from Diagnosis to Treatment" programme in 2025-2026. The programme aims to provide comprehensive support to help breast cancer patients cope with and adapt to their condition from diagnosis through treatment.

In October 2025, we co-hosted an Expressive Art Workshop with the Kowloon Centre of HKBCF. Thirteen HKBCF members who are women recovering from breast cancer, and their carers joined the workshop. Our Service Vice Chair, Bonnie, led a calming breathing exercise and demonstrated Mandala colouring and painting. Our Zontians provided wonderful support throughout. The workshop was uplifting and enjoyable for all participants.

In December 2025, a health talk hosted by Dr. Wendy Yim, Registered Chinese Medicine Practitioner, was successfully held. Dr Yim shared winter wellness principles and recipes for nourishing winter soups with breast cancer patients, survivors and their carers. The content was comprehensive and professional, and the session was well received. In March 2026, during the Lymphedema Awareness Month, a workshop on post-operative lymphoedema treatment and pain relief through aromatherapy was held to raise awareness and enhance understanding of lymphoedema and its treatment. Both programmes were well received, with more than 80 participants attending each session.



Expressive art workshop



"Empower the Journey" programme



Health talk for recovering patients and caregivers

As the concluding event of the project, a mass programme titled Day Camp for a Brighter Life 亮麗人生半日營, was successfully held in May 2026. As part of the program, our Zontians, Dr Diana Lai and Teresa Chan, led two sessions on essential body checks and posture-improving exercises for breast cancer recovery. Through various workshops and talks delivered under the program, a comprehensive support system was established to address breast cancer recovering patients' psychological, educational, and social needs effectively.

With our support, this project made a meaningful difference in the lives of more than 900 breast cancer patients and their families.

Zonta Activity Day and Family Art Workshop

During this biennium, we organized two service events with Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC), an international NGO helping families with seriously sick children stay together while going through lengthy treatments.

In November 2024, we joined hands with 10 members of HKU Golden Z Club to visit the newly built second Ronald McDonald House in Kwun Tong and organized Zonta Activity Day. We connected with the sick children and their parents through interactive group games and social chat during tea break. We also made a small donation to their food bank to support them during difficult times.

In March 2025, we organized a Family Art Workshop focusing on Chinese painting using Chinese calligraphy paper 月宮殿紙 donated to the centre. It was attended by close to 20 children with their parents. Thanks to our talented Vice Chair Bonnie who demonstrated how to make a joint bamboo painting in black and gold, with our fellow Zontians. The sick children and their family thoroughly enjoyed the art workshop, which was heartfelt and blissful.



Zontians and HKU GZ Club members visited and interacted with sick children at RMHC



Children at RMHC enjoyed a painting workshop hosted by our club

Women Wellness Talk

Building on the last biennium, we co-organized a series of quarterly talks on "Women Wellness" with the Kwai Tsing District Health Centre, supported by the Hong Kong Medical Association. Topics included:

1. Maintaining Mental Health, hosted by Dr Chong King Yee, a specialist in psychiatry
2. Laws relating to Family and Marriage, hosted by our Zontian lawyer Ms. Pansy Leung
3. Common Eye Diseases, Precautions and Treatment, hosted by our Zontian, Dr. Christine Wu
4. Common Urological Diseases, Precautions and Treatment hosted by Dr Yeung Hip Wo, Victor, Urologist
5. Diabetes: Prevention and Control, hosted by Dr. Lee Fook Kay Aaron, followed by a diabetes screening session

All the health talks were well received, benefiting around 300 attendees in person, with many more attending online.



Common Eye Diseases: Precautions and Treatment, hosted by our Zontian, Dr. Christine Wu



Talk on Laws Relating to Family and Marriage, by Ms. Pansy Leung

During the biennium, we also made a cash contribution to support those affected by the Tai Po Wang Fuk Court fire. We hope to continue these impactful projects in the next biennium.

In closing, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to President Shirley, my Vice Chair Bonnie, all members of the Service Committee, and all Zontians for their invaluable contributions and support for the Club's service projects.

Eva Ip
Service Committee Chairperson

Advocacy Committee Report



Chairperson
Nora Leung



Vice Chairperson
Christina Lau

Members
Eva Chan
Jennifer Cheung
Yolanda Yeh

In this biennium, the committee focused on three interconnected areas: public policy engagement, education equality through technology, and climate justice through experiential learning.

Public Policy Engagement

The committee actively responded to the Chief Executive's Policy Address (16 October 2024), submitting a detailed response and support to Home Affairs Bureau's plans to launch "She inspires," a mentorship programme establishing a network of leading women from all walks of life, for the benefit of female university students. In the letter to the Chief Executive, we shared our experience and key success factors from our Z2Z mentorship programme for reference, reflecting the Club's commitment to gender equality and education. A formal reply was received from the Chief Executive's Office on 20 December 2024, acknowledging the Club's views and affirming continued dialogue on the issues raised.

Education Equality – Free Coding Classes for Underprivileged Ethnic Minorities

We partnered with Preface School of Technology to offer free coding course for children from underprivileged ethnic minority communities. The programme was held at the Preface Foundation headquarters over three consecutive Saturdays.

Throughout the course, participants explored gender equality barriers and used AI tools to create symbols representing their perspectives. In the third and final class, the theme centred on United Nations Sustainable Development Goal #5: "Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls". Students developed a game incorporating their symbols using "Scratch", a programming tool developed by MIT's research lab.

Participants who successfully completed all three sessions received laptops generously sponsored by Ernst & Young and Deloitte, enabling them to continue their learning journey. We are grateful to Eva Ip, Polly Lee, and Christine Lin for their dedication in making this initiative possible.



Free coding course with Preface School of Technology



Children were awarded laptops, generously donated by Deloitte and EY, upon completion of the course

Climate Justice – "2030 Climate Act – Zonta Edition"

Partnering with the Hong Kong Red Cross (HKRC), the committee launched "2030 Climate Act – Zonta Edition", an experiential theatre programme exploring climate conflicts and their connection to gender equality.

On 1 March 2025, we staged two experiential sessions together with a Launch Ceremony attended by Zonta dignitaries, Zontians, and their families and friends. Through the stimulating and immersive experience, we raised the awareness of climate justice and deepened our understanding of its intersection with gender equality.

Our Club sponsored 10 of the 46 sessions that HKRC produced. In addition to sessions reserved for Club members, other sessions have been booked for participants from HKU Golden Z Club, St. Mary's Canossian College and the SKH Lady MacLehose Centre. According to the survey conducted by HKRC, about 5,000 participants have benefited from this project. On 1 May 2026, a one-day feedback symposium/press event was held at HKRC headquarters.







"2030 Climate Act – Zonta Edition" immersive experiential theatre programme in collaboration with the Humanitarian Education Centre of the Hong Kong Red Cross

Reflections

By combining policy advocacy with targeted educational programmes, the committee has reached underprivileged ethnic minority communities and deepened engagement on climate justice through creative, experiential methods. Partnerships with the Hong Kong Red Cross, Preface Hong Kong, and corporate donors Ernst & Young and Deloitte were instrumental in achieving these outcomes. We sincerely thank all our service partners and sponsors, President Shirley, our committee members, and all Zontians who have supported our activities. Through our concerted effort, we hope to act as a credible and visible voice on gender equity, driving change for gender equality, climate justice, women in decision-making and education equality.

Nora Leung
Advocacy Committee Chairperson

Golden Z Club Committee Report



Chairperson
Linda Wang



Vice Chairperson
Eva Chan

Members
Gillian Choa
Eva Ip
Louise Kwong
Diana Lai
Polly Lee
Nora Leung
Kathy Lin
Carol Tam
Yolanda Yeh

During the 2024–2026 biennium, the Golden Z Committee continued to support the Golden Z Clubs at The University of Hong Kong ("HKU") and the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts ("HKAPA"). Through close collaboration with the student executive committees ("ExCo") of both clubs, we focused on leadership development, community service and advocacy, while creating opportunities for students to participate in the wider work of our Club.

This biennium was defined by three key areas of progress: stronger student leadership, sustained community engagement and closer connection between Golden Z members and our Club. Both Golden Z Clubs took forward projects that addressed community needs, expanded their understanding of social issues and strengthened their capacity to lead through service.

Our Club also introduced a new initiative during the biennium: the Zonta Club of Hong Kong Golden Z Outstanding Achievement Award in August 2025 for students of HKU and HKAPA. The award recognises academic performance, active involvement in intra- and extracurricular activities, and contributions to the community. The winners were Kandace Chan of HKU and Bobo Liu of HKAPA, each receiving HK$10,000. In light of the strong quality of applications, the Club also presented two President's Recognition Awards of HK$5,000 each to Sophie Lee and Zoey Ying of HKU. This initiative provided a meaningful way to recognise students whose achievements reflected both excellence and service.

Mentorship remained an important part of our support for the HKU Golden Z Club. The Z2Z Mentorship Programme continued to connect students with members of our Club from different professional backgrounds. Across the 2024 and 2025 cohorts, the programme benefited 36 students. The mentors, all members of our Club, generously gave their time to share their experience and expertise in fields including business, architecture, medicine, arts, law, healthcare and education. Through these exchanges, students gained exposure to different career paths, guidance on their personal and professional development, and opportunities to build lasting connections with members of our Club.



Zonta Club of Hong Kong Golden Z Outstanding Achievement Award Recipients & Zontians



HKU Z2Z Mentorship Programme 2025 & Zonta Says No Campaign

Community service remained central to the work of both clubs. At HKU, members organised a soap-making workshop for underprivileged children, guiding participants in designing and making handmade soaps while encouraging creativity and interaction. The club also worked with YWCA and Community Care Ltd. to arrange a visit to Ocean Park for 23 underprivileged families, comprising over 80 individuals. The outing created joyful memories for the families and offered a much-needed respite from daily challenges. In another activity, students visited Ronald McDonald House Charities, where they spent time with seriously ill children and learned more about the support provided to families facing medical challenges.



HKU Golden Z soapmaking workshop for underprivileged children



HKU Golden Z Ocean Park visit for underprivileged families with YWCA & Community Care

At HKAPA, members used their training in the performing arts to design service projects with a clear social purpose. They conducted immersive drama workshops for participants from Baptist Oi Kwan Social Service and Tai Hang Youth Centre, using drama-based activities to encourage emotional expression, confidence and communication skills. They also coordinated with HKAPA and community partners to welcome more than 100 audience members — including volunteers from Suicide Prevention Services and primary school students — to attend concert band performances by the Woodwind, Brass and Percussion Department free of charge, helping to promote music appreciation and community inclusion. In addition, the club held an Eating Disorders Awareness Event for HKAPA students to promote understanding of eating disorders and physical wellbeing.



Immersive Drama Workshops by HKAPA Golden Z for Baptist Oi Kwan Social Service and Tai Hang Youth Centre



Free Concerts organized by HKAPA Golden Z for volunteers from Suicide Prevention Services and primary school students

The biennium also included opportunities for advocacy and learning beyond their usual club activities. In August 2025, with sponsorship from our Club, more than 30 members from the HKU and HKAPA Golden Z Clubs attended the Red Cross Humanitarian Centre's immersive theatre production "2030 Climate Act." Through role-play and interactive storytelling, participants explored issues related to climate change, resource scarcity and inequality. The programme helped members consider the links between climate justice and the disproportionate impact of climate change on women.





HKAPA and HKU Golden Z members participating in the Red Cross Humanitarian Centre's immersive theatre workshop, '2030 Climate Act,' sponsored by our Club

Another encouraging development was the continued growth of both Golden Z Clubs. During the biennium, the 18th and 19th Cabinets of the HKU Golden Z Club and the 2nd and 3rd Executive Committees of the HKAPA Golden Z Club were installed. These ceremonies marked leadership transition and continuity, and underscored the growing maturity of both clubs.



HKAPA Golden Z Club ExCo Installation Ceremony



HKU Golden Z Club ExCo Installation Ceremony

The Golden Z Committee is grateful to President Shirley for her leadership, our Club members who served as mentors and supporters, the ExCos and members of our Golden Z Clubs, and the university and academy representatives who supported these efforts. We look forward to building on this work in the next biennium and to continuing to nurture Golden Z as a platform for leadership, service and advocacy, and as a pathway for the next generation to engage with Zonta's mission.

Linda Wang
Golden Z Club Committee Chairperson

Z Club Committee Report



Chairperson
Yolanda Yeh



Vice Chairperson
Doris Chu

Members
Gillian Choa
Jennifer Cheung
Louise Kwong
Michele Lau
Thelma Tong
Linda Wang

Background

Zonta International established the Z Club programme in 1948 with the aim of promoting gender equality through youth development, leadership and mentoring. This is achieved through student-led service and advocacy projects initiated by Z Clubs, as well as through the Committee's guidance, organization of activities that support Zonta International's advocacy campaigns and goals, promotion of educational awards, and arrangement of business visits and career forums.

Zonta Club of Hong Kong sponsors the following Z Clubs: Good Hope School, Hong Kong International School, St. Mary's Canossian College, St. Paul's Convent School, St. Stephen's Girls' College, and True Light Girls' College. In 2024 the combined Z Club membership was 358 members; in 2025 there were 273 members.

Joint Z Club ExCo Meeting

Each academic year begins with a joint Z Club meeting. The Zoom meetings were held on 14 October 2024 and 16 October 2025. The goal of these meetings is for the new executive committee members to become acquainted with one another and to provide an opportunity for them and their teacher advisors to meet Zontians and learn about Zonta International, its structure and the biennium goals.

Joint Installation Ceremony

The hosting of the Joint Installation Ceremony, which formally installs incoming officers and inducts new members, is rotated each year among the Z Clubs.

The Z Club of Good Hope School hosted the Installation Ceremony at their school on 16 November 2024. Over 145 people attended the event including nine Zontians. All officers were installed and 88 new members were inducted.

On 15 November 2025, the Z Club of True Light Girls' College hosted the Installation Ceremony at their school, installing all officers and inducting 92 new members. Fourteen Zontians and approximately 150 people attended the event.



Installation hosted by Good Hope School



Installation hosted by True Light Girls' College

“Zonta Says No to Violence Against Women” Campaign

The Zonta International advocacy campaign takes place worldwide each year from 25 November to 10 December. The Committee invites the Z Clubs to participate in the campaign through initiatives at their own schools as well as through committee-organized activities or competitions.

In 2024, the Committee worked with the Z Club of Good Hope School to kick off the global advocacy campaign with a special ‘aerial’ group photo taken at the Installation Ceremony. Members from all six Z Clubs, along with teacher advisers and Zontians participated. Participants formed an “X” using black cards, while others held orange ZSN-logo fans. The photo was shared on the Club’s social media and the Zonta Says No website.

The Committee also launched a competition called “United We Walk – Zonta Says NO” Peak Challenge inviting the Golden Z Club to join. Participants walked the Peak trail to raise awareness about the campaign tracking their progress on the Trail Challenger app and creating digital posters from photos. The Z Club of St. Paul's Convent School Z Club won HK$1000 for best digital poster and the Z Club of Hong Kong International School won HK$1000 for the most participants on the walk. The winning digital poster was uploaded to the ‘Zonta Says No’ website.



Z Girls Saying “X” to Violence Against Women

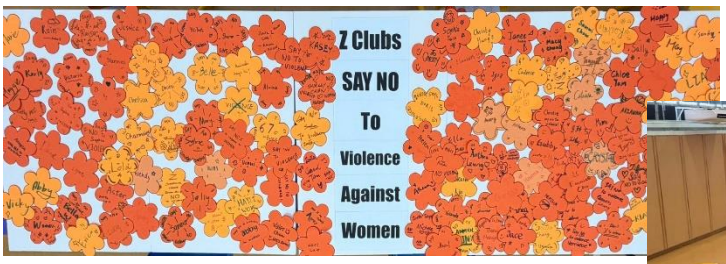


Z Club of St. Paul’s Convent School Digital Poster



Z Club of Hong Kong International School

In 2025, the Committee’s 2025 Z Club advocacy campaign engaged members and guests in creating a meaningful backdrop for a group photo at the Installation Ceremony hosted by True Light Girls’ College. Participants received an orange visor and personalized orange paper flowers with their names and ‘Zonta Says No’ messages. The flowers were displayed on an advocacy board titled “Z Clubs Say No to Violence Against Women’. The completed board served as a powerful visual statement, symbolizing the Z Clubs’ unity and commitment to ending violence against women.



Z Clubs Say No to Violence Against Women



Special Events

Z Clubs were invited to participate in a session of the Club's Advocacy Committee's event, '2030 Climate Act' organized in collaboration with the Hong Kong Red Cross. The Z Club of St. Mary's Canossian School signed up for a session on 26 April 2025.

On 24 September 2025, the Z Clubs were also invited to attend the 23rd District 17 Pre-Conference's Z and Golden Z Club Forum held via Zoom. The forum featured speeches by Zonta dignitaries and female trailblazers in sports, aviation, AI and social services. The Zoom meeting was highly successful attracting 790 participants. Thirty-eight Z Club members and two teacher advisers from five Z Clubs attended.



Z Club of St. Mary's Canossian College participating in "2030 Climate Act" workshop

Club Service Awards

The Committee presents three annual awards in recognition of the Z Clubs' achievements: Best Project, Best Social Service and the Z Club of the Year.

Winners:
2024

- Best Project: Good Hope School & Hong Kong International School
- Best Social Service: True Light Girls' College
- Z Club of the Year Award: Good Hope School

2025

- Best Project: St. Paul's Convent School
- Best Social Service: True Light Girls' College
- Z Club of the Year Award: True Light Girls' College

Zonta Young Women in Leadership Award

Zonta International recognizes young women aged 16-19 who demonstrate leadership skills and a commitment to public service and civic causes and encourages them to continue their participation in public and political life. Madeleine Yeung of St. Mary's Canossian College was the Club's award recipient in 2025. Three nominations were submitted for the award in 2026.

Sincere thanks to President Shirley, Z Club Committee Vice Chairperson Doris Chu and the Z Club Committee members for their support and dedication to inspiring our future generation of leaders.

Yolanda Yeh
Z Club Committee Chairperson

Fellowship Committee Report



Co-Chairperson
Sharon Evans



Co-Chairperson
Sandia Lau

Members
Shirley Chan
Michele Lau
Fiona Ng
Julia Wen

As always, our Fellowship events were fun-filled and delightful with much laughter and jollity. Let the photographs tell the story and allow us all to revive and relive our memories!

Zontian sisters' singing talents were on full display at the Chariot Club buffet dinner as groups participated in a contest with amazing spirit and hilarity, followed by outstanding karaoke performances.















Fellowship dinner at the Chariot Club

A floral event and dinner. Renowned Armani florist Gary Kwok and her assistants were on hand to hold a workshop on floral arrangement and at the end of the session, many beautiful and colourful creations were proudly on display. This was followed by a cozy dinner in a restaurant with a delightful floral theme. There were floral gifts and a little fun game with prizes.






Floral event and dinner at renown Armani florist

We remember Elvis Presley's January birthday with "New Year with the King," a sumptuous buffet dinner at the Hong Kong Club. Throughout dinner, Elvis's many classic and memorable love songs were played. After dinner, we worked off our meal with some energetic and joyous disco dancing. There were guitar-shaped spoons as gifts as well as a gift exchange.






Fellowship dinner at the Hong Kong Club

Sharon Evans & Sandia Lau
Fellowship Committee Co-Chairpersons

Media & Publications Committee Report



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Michele Lau
Fiona Ng
Yolanda Yeh

In 2024–2026, the Media and Publication Committee strengthened the Club's voice by unifying our online presence across our website and social media platforms, including Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn, and YouTube. (Direct access is available via the QR codes provided on the back cover.) Through consistent storytelling and amplified advocacy, we supported initiatives advancing women's empowerment and gender equality. Below are our key achievements during the biennium:

Integrated Digital Platform Upgrade

We launched the updated website and unified messaging across all media channels to build a cohesive, professional brand engaging local and international audiences.

Social Media Growth & Engagement

Our online community expanded significantly, with Instagram followers growing more than fivefold and steady increases in reach, engagement, and interaction. Through regular posts, videos, and recaps documenting Club activities, content was widely shared and recognized by Zonta chapters worldwide, enhancing global visibility and collaboration.

Campaign & Event Coverage

The following flagship campaigns and activities were documented and promoted:

- 16 Days of Activism (Nov–Dec 2024 & 2025)
- Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women
- International Women's Day (2025 & 2026)
- Health and lifestyle preventive talks led by medical specialists
- Professional forums organized by the Program Committee
- Community service projects and member milestone events

Cross-Committee Collaboration

We supported advocacy, service, program, and fellowship initiatives, strengthening internal communication and ensuring timely, high-quality publicity for all events.

The Publication Sub-Committee, headed by Yolanda Yeh, produced two major publications: the *"Glitter & Glow"* Fundraising Gala Dinner Booklet and the *"Resilience. Brilliance."* 2024–2026 Biennium Report, reflecting the Club's achievements and impact.

We will continue to expand media outreach, foster social dialogue, and deepen engagement with partner organizations, institutions, and corporations to drive positive change for women and girls in Hong Kong and around the world.

The Committee extends heartfelt thanks to President Shirley, the Board, all committee chairs, members, and partners for their steadfast support throughout the biennium.

Lui Tong
Media & Publications Committee Chairperson

Legal-Financial Affairs Committee Report



Chairperson
Karen Lam

During this biennium, the Legal-Financial Affairs Committee had the opportunity to participate in local community talks, namely one co-organized between Zonta Club of Hong Kong and Kwai Tsing District Health Centre on 3 March 2025. Our Zontian Pansy Leung shared her views and experience in matrimonial law and common issues found in marriage and family. Overwhelming responses were received from the floor. Special thanks to Zontian Pansy Leung for her efforts in this sharing.

In addition, Zontians Karen Lam and Sharon Evans participated in the annual Golden Z Z2Z Mentorship Programme and have been mentors to some wonderful and lovely law students at the University of Hong Kong, with whom we have kept in contact despite the completion of the programme.

Karen Lam
Legal-Financial Affairs Committee Chairperson





Sharing on Matrimonial law and common issues in marriage and family

Fundraising Committee Report



Co-Chairperson
Helena Koo



Co-Chairperson
Joyce Tam



Co-Chairperson
June Wong

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Gillian Choa
Agnes Hui
Eva Ip
Bonnie Kwan
Diana Lai
Sandia Lau
Phyllis Lee
Pansy Leung
Yolanda Yeh
Kathleen Yip

The Fundraising Committee held a fundraising gala on 2 March 2026 at the Fullerton Ocean Park Hotel. The event was attended by 230 guests including dignitaries such as past Zonta International Directors, Area 2 Director, as well as a list of our honorary members.

The theme of the night was "Glitter and Glow". This year's gala was not just a celebration, but also a testament to the ongoing commitment and unwavering spirit of our community. The room was beautifully decorated with disco balls and elaborate centrepieces to set the mood. The evening featured an action-packed programme where we were entertained by B Jazz – the first and only all-female big band in Hong Kong, as well as Ms. Lora Chow, renowned vocalist with the Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra. President Shirley Chan and Fundraising Co-chair, Helena Koo, graced us with heartwarming messages expressing gratitude towards our committee members, sponsors and supporters. Honouring past tradition, a poem also titled "Glitter and Glow" was commissioned, written by sister Zontian Julia Wen. We paid tribute to the pioneering sister Zontians who founded and joined the Club during its first decade, followed by vibrant singing and dancing performances by two groups of sister Zontians who joined in the years thereafter, bringing the evening to a joyful and spirited close.



President Shirley Chan



Fundraising Committee



Fundraising Co-Chair Helena Koo



Dignitaries, Club Presidents and Zontians



Performance by Ms. Lora Chow and B-Jazz



MCs Eva Chan & Joyce Tam



Tribute to founding members and long serving Zontians



"Glitter and Glow" table décor

We raised a total of HK$1.8 million, with special thanks to our Platinum Sponsors — The Chen Wai Wai Vivien Foundation Limited; Dr. Polly Cheung & Phyllis S.T. Lee; Goldman Sachs (Asia) LLC; and Anna Pao Sohmen Foundation — as well as our Diamond and Gold table sponsors, advertisement sponsors, and cash sponsors. We are also grateful to our venue, table prize, printing, entertainment, table decoration, and production sponsors for making the evening extra special through their generous in-kind support.

Helena Koo, Joyce Tam, June Wong
Fundraising Committee Co-Chairpersons



Dignitaries and Honorary Members



Club Members





Zontians singing & dancing to "Top of the World"





Zontians singing & dancing to "Can't Take My Eyes Off You"

District Conference Report

By President Shirley Chan

District Conference

Hong Kong Zonta Clubs co-hosted the Zonta International 23rd District 17 Conference in the twin cities of Hong Kong and Macau, marking the first time in District 17 history that the conference was organized across two cities. This pioneering effort was highly successful.

Pre-conference events were held in Hong Kong from 24–25 September 2025, followed by the conference proper in Macau at the Galaxy International Convention Center from 26–28 September 2025. The conference theme, "WE CARE," reflected Zonta's care about the world, its communities, and most importantly, the care for each club and the care for each Zontian.

A total of 425 Zontians registered, including 249 overseas delegates and 176 from Hong Kong, of whom 36 were from our Club. Our Club played significant roles in the conference. The Organizing Committee (OC) was chaired by Teresa Lin, with Yolanda Yeh serving as Deputy Chair. Kathleen Yip, Pauline Ng, and President Shirley Chan were members of the Organizing Committee.

In addition to overseeing the conference as Deputy Chair, Yolanda chaired the Venue Logistics and Secretariat; Kathleen Yip served as Adviser and chaired both the Governor's Awards and the Opening Ceremony and Dinner; Pauline Ng chaired the Business Programme Committee and co-chaired the Z & Golden Z Forum. Club members provided excellent support to the above committees.

Pre-Conference events

On 24 September, Super Typhoon Ragasa passed close to Hong Kong, prompting the issuance of Typhoon Signal No. 10 on the first day of pre-conference activities. Demonstrating remarkable flexibility and leadership, the organizers, the District Z and Golden Z Forum Committee (chaired by Margaret Chan, Vice Chair of the District Z & Golden Z), in collaboration with the District Amelia Earhart Committee (chaired by Pauline Ng) - converted the forum from a school-based venue to a Zoom meeting, attracting over 790 participants.

Speeches were delivered by Zonta International President Salla Tuominen, District Governor Winnie Wong, OC Chair Teresa Lin, and two Zonta International award recipients. Expert speakers addressed Climate Justice, Equity in Careers, and Caring for an Aging Community, with Pauline Ng moderating the Q&A session. The forum was attended by 38 Z Club student members and two teacher advisers. The scheduled Harbour Cruise was postponed until after the conference.

On 25 September, overseas Zontians and guests enjoyed a guided tour of the Hong Kong Palace Museum, followed by a Welcome Reception at the museum's restaurant, King Lung Heen.

Conference highlights

The conference officially opened in Macau on 26 September, with registration and the opening of the Secretariat, Marketplace, and Digital Poster Exhibition. In the afternoon, Zontians met the 2026-2028 District 17 Board and Nominating Committee candidates.

That evening, 432 Zontians, including 36 members from our Club, attended the Opening Ceremony and Gala

Dinner organized by our Club. Eva Chan and Joyce Tam served as Masters of Ceremonies for the flag ceremony and dinner. Linda Wang and her team meticulously collected, assembled, coordinated and organized over 109 flags, including 92 club flags from six areas, along with country, district, and area flags. Pansy Leung and Bonnie Kwan ensured a smooth flag procession, supported by Scouts of the Scout Association of Macau and university volunteers. Kathleen Yip officiated the flag ceremony, announcing each flag and flag bearer. The Diocesan Girls' School Choir, via a pre-recorded performance, sang the Zonta Hymn and the National Anthem of Finland.



Meet the Candidate: VAD Nominee – Yolanda




109 Flags on Display


PID Kathleen Yip


MCs Joyce Tam & Eva Chan



Country and Area Flags



President Shirley with our Club Flag


PID Teresa Lin, Yolanda Yeh and ZI President Salla Tuominen

The Opening Gala Dinner, led by Kathleen Yip and President Shirley Chan, was equally impressive. June Wong, as Floor Manager, ensured smooth event execution. All Club Zontians wore traditional Qing dynasty costumes in a variety of colours. Entertainment included a lion dance by the Macau Government Tourism Office, a Face-Changing performance, and a powerful opera recital by Louise Kwong. The evening concluded on a lively note with dancing and singing led by Sharon Evans.


Face-Changing Performance


Lion Dance




Zonta Dignitaries & Club Presidents






Club Zontians dressed in traditional Qing dynasty costumes


Club photo at Opening Gala Dinner


Opera Recital by Louise Kwong

On Day Two, the first Business Plenary Session featured opening addresses by ZI President Salla Tuominen, DG Winnie Wong, and OC Chair Teresa Lin, followed by a keynote speech entitled "When Caring Really Matters" by our Honorary Member, Dr. Rosanna Wong, DBE, JP. Twenty-nine Club members were recognized for long-serving membership, ranging from 25 to 60 years. Two of our members, Tin Chun Wong (49 years) and Kathleen Yip (51 years), received their certificates on stage.

The themed luncheon, "Making the World a Happy Place for Women and Girls," featured remarks by ZI President Salla Tuominen and Ms. Pia Saarikivi, Deputy Consul General of Finland in Hong Kong and Macau, and was moderated by Gillian Choa and Thelma Tong.

In the afternoon, Pauline Ng and her Vice Chair, Eva Ip, oversaw four well-attended concurrent workshops:

1. Zonta as a Credible and Visible Voice
2. Education Equality
3. Climate Justice
4. Women in Decision-Making



Dr. Rosanna Wong



PID Kathleen Yip



AD Thelma Tong



Pauline Ng



Long-serving members Kathleen Yip & Tin Chun Wong



"Making the World a Happy Place for Women and Girls" luncheon moderated by Gillian Choa & Thelma Tong



Eva Ip hosting workshop "Zonta as a Credible and Visible Voice"

On the final day, elections were held in the morning, followed by the second Business Plenary Session, during which election results were announced and District Governor Awards were presented. Our Club received four awards:

- Gold Award – Most Outstanding Club
- Gold Award – Best Service Project
- Bronze Award – Zonta Says Now Project
- Merit Award – Top Club in Support of the Zonta Foundation for Women

The conference concluded with a Grand Finale Dinner, celebrating the success of the event. Zontians and guests enjoyed a Portuguese-themed dinner, traditional Portuguese dance, and Area performances. The evening ended joyfully with group singing and dancing.



Gold Award – Most Outstanding Club



Gold Award – Best Service Project



Bronze Award – Zonta Says Now Project



Merit Award – Top Club in Support of the Zonta Foundation for Women

Other Events and Meetings

By President Shirley Chan

Zonta International "Zonta Says No to Violence Against Women" Advocacy Campaign - 16 Days of Activism

Launched in 2012, this advocacy campaign takes place between 25 November to 10 December every year. Our Club weaves this campaign into various events, including the Club's Business Meeting, the Service Committee's Service Day, and activities conducted by the Golden Z Club and Z Clubs.

Zonta Rose Day & International Women's Day

Each year, on 8 March, Zonta Clubs worldwide celebrate Zonta Rose Day at the same time as International Women's Day to reflect on past achievements and honour the current efforts of Zonta members and their work toward gender equity. The Club celebrated by wearing yellow rose corsages at the Business Meetings and various events around that time.

President Shirley represented our Club at the Hong Kong Federation of Women's International Women's Day dinner on 25 February 2025.







Zonta International "Zonta Says No to Violence Against Women" Advocacy Campaign - 16 Days of Activism



Zonta Rose Day





HK Federation of Women
International Women's Day Dinner

The 3rd Zonta Asian Inter-District Meeting (AIDM) in Fukuoka

From 4–6 April 2025, Kathy Yip, Susan Wai, Gillian Choa, Thelma Tong, and Shirley Chan attended the above-mentioned meeting in Fukuoka, Japan.

Area 2 Meetings

Area 2 Director Thelma Tong held the Area Meeting on 26 April 2025 at the Craigengower Cricket Club. The 2026 meeting was held on 25 April 2026 at Club Lusitano.




3rd Zonta AIDM in Fukuoka




Area 2 Meeting

Joint Club Advocacy Project with Po Leung Kuk

Joint Club Project with Po Leung Kuk kicked off on 8 December 2025. Kathleen Yip, Thelma Tong, Eva Chan and Michele Lau represented our Club for the opening ceremony. Linda Wang and Eva Chan also visited the art exhibition and Michele Lau volunteered for one session at the exhibition. This project also matches the theme and timeline of 16 Days of Activism.




Joint Club Advocacy Project with Po Leung Kuk



Birthday Celebrations

In this biennium, we introduced birthday celebrations at our Business Meetings, fostering greater fellowship among members.





Zonta Club of Hong Kong

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Mrs Selina Tsang (Past Patron)
Mrs Regina Leung (Past Patron)
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HONORARY MEMBERS
The Hon. Laura Cha, GBM, GBS, JP
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CHARTER MEMBERS
The Hon. Selina Chow, GBS, OBE, JP
Vera Waters
Judy Young

PAST CLUB PRESIDENTS
Karen Loh 1972-74
The Hon. Selina Chow, GBS, OBE, JP 1974-75
Mary Yan 1975-77
Dolly Ng 1977-79
Kit Hayward 1979-81
Carlye Tsui, MBE, JP 1981-82
Agnes Au Yeung 1982-83
May Fung 1983-84
Dr. Henrietta Ip, OBE, JP 1984-86
Elizabeth Wong, CBE, ISO, JP 1986-87
Kathleen Yip, JP 1987-88
Dr. Vivian Taam Wong, JP 1988-89
Brenda Chow 1989-90
Dr. Tin Chun Wong 1990-91
Betty Cheng 1991-92
The Hon. Laura Cha, GBM, GBS, JP 1992-93
Linda Chung 1993-94
Mabel Lui, JP 1994-95
Josephine Chang 1995-96
Sophia Kao, GBS, SBS, JP 1996-97
Linda Wang 1997-98
Victoria Au 1998-99
Dr. Polly Cheung 1999-2000
Dr. Susan Louie Chan, JP 2000-01
Stella Lau, JP 2001-02
Helena Koo 2002-04
Agnes Chan 2004-06
Pansy Leung 2006-08
Pauline Ng 2008-10
Bonnie Kwan 2010-12
Joan Leung 2012-14
Thelma Tong 2014-16
Doris Chu 2016-18
Yolanda Yeh 2018-20
Nora Leung 2020-22
Eva Ip 2022-24
Shirley Chan 2024-26

CLUB ZONTIANS IN PAST INTERNATIONAL, DISTRICT & AREA POSITIONS

International Directors
Kathleen Yip, JP 2002-04
Carlye Tsui, MBE, JP 1994-96
Dolly Ng 1986-88

International Z & Golden Z Clubs Committee
Kathleen Yip, JP Chair 2004-06

International JMK Committee
Kathleen Yip, JP Chair 2006-08

International PR and Communication Committee
Kathleen Yip, JP, Member 2016-18

International Nominating Committee
Kathleen Yip, JP, Member 2004-06, 2012-14

International Bylaws and Resolutions Committee
Pauline Ng, SBS, Member, 2018-20, 2016-18

International Legislative Awareness & Advocacy Committee
Pauline Ng, SBS, Member 2012-14

Past Region Representative
Karen Loh 1976-78

District 17 Governors
Kathleen Yip, JP 2000-02
Carlye Tsui, MBE, JP 1992-94
Dolly Ng 1984-86

District 17 Lieutenant Governors
Kathleen Yip, JP 1998-2000
Carlye Tsui, MBE, JP 1990-92
Dolly Ng 1982-84

District 17 Parliamentarian
Kathleen Yip, JP 2024-26, 2018-20, 2014-16, 2010-12, 2008-10

District 17 Nominating Committee
Pauline Ng, SBS Chair 2014-16

District / Region Treasurers
Agnes Au Yeung, Region 2, 1978-80

District 17 Secretaries
Dr Tin Chun Wong 2000-02

District 17 Area 2 Directors
Thelma Tong 2024-26
Linda Wang 2012-14
Dr Tin Chun Wong 1998-2000
Kathleen Yip, JP 1990-92
Dr Henrietta Ip, OBE, JP 1987-88
Carlye Tsui, MBE, JP 1982-84
Peggy Lam, OBE, JP 1980-82
Annie Wu, JP 1978-80
Vera Waters 1976-78
Mary Yan 1975-76
The Hon. Selina Chow, GBS, OBE, JP 1974-75

District 17 Area 2 Vice Directors
Thelma Tong 2022-24
Dr Tin Chun Wong 1996-98
Agnes Au Yeung 1984-86

District 17 By Laws & Resolutions Committee
Pauline Ng, SBS, Vice-Chair 2022-24

District 17 Amelia Earhart Fellowship Committee
Pauline Ng, SBS, Chair 2024-26, 2022-24

District 17 Awards Committee
Kathleen Yip, JP, Chair 2024-26, 2022-24, 2020-22, 2014-16, 2012-14

District 17 YWPA Committee
Yolanda Yeh Area 2 Vice Chair 2020-22

District 17 Z & Golden Z Clubs Committee
Yolanda Yeh Area 2 Vice Chair 2022-24

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