

Dear TWF friends



How Will You Spend Your Summer?

"As important as it is to have a plan for doing work, it is perhaps more important to have a plan for rest, relaxation, self-care, and sleep." - Akiroq Brost, author

Summer is here and we hope you get some well-deserved down time. At TWF, our work to progress gender equality is our mission and passion, but it is also challenging work. To sustain our drive and innovation, we know that it is sometimes necessary to press pause. While many of us won't be travelling over the next few months, we are still aiming to carve out some time for self-care and rest. And what better way to recharge than diving into a great book, an interesting podcast, a movie or attending a festival?

Here is a roundup of some of TWF's recommendations:

Visit

Film Festivals & Exhibitions

- "We Are Not Princesses" screened as part of the UNHCR Refugee Film Festival about four Syrian women living as refugees in Beirut (through July 7)
- EU-Asia Rainbow Docs Film Festival will screen a series of movies and talks with the aim of providing audiences with insights into the global LGBTI+ community (through July 11)
- Survivors of Sexual Violence tell their stories through an exhibition with Rainlily (through July 18)
- Women Direct. Korean Indies! – Korean Women Independent Film Series This movie series by the Hong Kong Art Centre highlights independent Korean films about women (through July 31)

Read

Non-Fiction

- 這是愛女, 也是厭女 by 王曉丹, 余貞誼, 方念萱, 姜貞吟, 韓宜臻, 胡錦媛, 黃囍莉, 楊婉瑩, 孫嘉穗, 陳惠馨, 康庭瑜
- 大武山下 by 龍應台
- 以我之名 by 張曼娟
- Fierce Self-Compassion : How Women Can Harness Kindness to Speak Up, Claim Their Power, and Thrive by Dr Kristin Neff
- Strong Female Lead by Arwa Mahdawi
- See What You Made Me Do: Power, Control and Domestic Abuse by Jess Hill

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UPCOMING EVENT



Webinar on TWF's New Masculinities Research - Join Us!

Join our webinar exploring the highlights and real-world implications of our new research on young men's masculinities in Hong Kong. Commissioned researchers, Dr Anita Chan | The Education University of Hong Kong and Dr Adam Cheung | Hong

Kong Baptist University will share key research findings. They will then be joined by Tony Law | University Student and Peter Hwang | TWF Male Ally to discuss these findings in a broader societal context.

Thursday, July 8
12.30-1.30pm
via Zoom

[Register here](#)

PROGRAMME UPDATE



Mentoring Programme Info Sessions

This July, TWF will launch the 13th year of our highly acclaimed Mentoring Programme for Women Leaders. Every year, this best in class programme matches 50 high potential, aspiring female leaders with 50 successful, senior executive women. All interested applicants **MUST** attend an Information Session to find out more about the Programme curriculum, the commitment required, and the selection and pairing process.

Attendance at one session is a compulsory component of the application process. Please register for **ONE** session only.

[Click here for the list of sessions](#)

IN THE SPOTLIGHT



TWF & 30% Club Featured in SCMP Board Diversity Article

TWF CEO Fiona Nott and Tim Payne, Chair of the 30% Club Hong Kong Steering Committee, were interviewed about board gender diversity and the recent HKEX proposal to increase board gender diversity. Fiona noted that the proposed reforms are insufficient and that more drastic action is needed to make change. Tim addressed some of the specific challenges family-owned businesses may have in embracing greater gender diversity on boards.

[Read the article here](#)

OPENINGS AT TWF

Programme and Communications Officers

TWF is seeking several full-time Officers to join its rapidly growing and dynamic team. Openings are available in [community programmes](#), [pipeline initiatives](#) and [communications](#). Applications should be received by **July 22, 2021**.

Pipeline Initiatives Manager

TWF is seeking a full-time Pipeline Initiatives Manager to join its dynamic team to develop, manage and execute a range of TWF's pipeline related programmes, partnerships and initiatives as well as cultivate new partners and stakeholders. Applications should be received by **July 20, 2021**.

[Apply Now!](#)

Volunteer Needed

We have a vacancy for a volunteer within our Development Team to support our upcoming Gala Dinner in November 2021. If you'd like to join us, please send a copy of your CV to Lisa.Withey@twfhk.org.

WHAT WE'RE READING

Gender Equality

- [Why IVF, IUI and egg freezing are but a dream for many women in Hong Kong, where](#)

- [outdated laws deny them a chance at motherhood](#) (SCMP)
- [Artwork Ranking Women by Their Looks Sets Off a Furor in a Changing China](#) (NYT)
- [The Chinese women desperate to keep working but forced to retire](#) (FT)
- [Japan's Supreme Court rules married couples must adopt one surname](#) (SCMP)
- [Generation Equality Forum: Feminist inspiration](#) (UNWOMEN)
- [How to create a gender-inclusive environment for our kids](#) (CNN)
- [Chinese three-child policy ad campaign blasted for featuring only men and for lecturing women on how to have babies](#) (SCMP)
- [Gender neutral clothes are the next big thing in fashion](#) (CNN)
- [Mystery of the wheelie suitcase: how gender stereotypes held back the history of invention](#) (Guardian)
- [How Do You Help Girls Thrive In School? There's A Surprising Answer](#) (NPR)
- [Spanish film festival shifts to gender neutral awards](#) (AP)
- [NSW government to introduce paid miscarriage and stillbirth leave in public sector](#) (Women's Agenda)

Sexual Violence & Harassment

- [Sexual violence: exhibition gives voice to Hong Kong victims who felt isolated, blamed and did not report attacks](#) (SCMP)
- [An Accusation Blew Up a Campaign. The Media Didn't Know What to Do.](#) (NYT)
- [Hong Kong helpers allege sexual, physical abuse by employers during Covid-19 pandemic](#) (SCMP)

Board Diversity

- [It's time to make board diversity an expectation, not just a priority](#) (Fortune)

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