

Ms Ada Wong, JP Hon Chief Executive, Hong Kong Institute of Contemporary Culture

Ada Wong is a staunch advocate of creative education, social innovation and cultural development. She founded the non-profit Hong Kong Institute of Contemporary Culture over 10 years ago, founded and is now supervisor of HKICC Lee Shau Kee School of Creativity (the only "art high school" in Hong Kong). In the last three years, HKICC further launched two signature events - the Make A Difference (MaD) platform (www.mad.asia) and the Chinese Creative Industries Forum (CCIF) (www.ccif.hk). MaD is a platform to groom the next generation of leaders and socially innovative change-makers. Ada actively participated in public service and community activities. Between 1995 and 2008, she was an elected Urban Councillor, District Councillor and Chairperson of Wan Chai District Council. She is currently a member of the Consultation Panel of the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority, the Art Museum Advisory Panel, and a board member of the Hong Kong Shue Yan University and Hong Kong Design Centre respectively.

As a civil society figure, Ada has been vocal in public affairs. She was a columnist for *Oriental Daily* and *Ming Pao Daily* for over 10 years. She has been co-host of radio chat shows in the last five years and is now co-host of *Backchat* at RTHK and *Openline*, a web radio she co-founded. Ada received her BA (Hons) from Pomona College, California, USA and M Ed from the University of Hong Kong. She is an Honorary Fellow of the Lingnan University and Hong Kong Institute of Education respectively.