

Press Release

The Mira Hong Kong Sponsors The Community Chest “Wine For Millions” Star-Studded Charity Dinner, Held at WHISK at The Mira Hong Kong, to Commemorate the Inauguration of Stonecutters Bridge

December 12, 2009: A raft of high profile personalities came out in support for the Community Chest today, at a gourmet food and wine pairing dinner held at WHISK at The Mira Hong Kong. The “Wine For Millions” dinner was a meaningful follow-on from the charity’s flagship annual fundraising event, New Territories Walk for Millions, held on November 15, 2009. The fundraising dinner followed Champagne and sundowners at Stonecutters Bridge, served by The Mira Hong Kong’s catering team to commemorate the historic inauguration of the world’s second longest cable-stay bridge.

The Chest’s supporters raised HK\$1.6million on the night, and included distinguished table hosts Martin Lee, Dennis Sun, Lawrence Yu, Paulo Pong, Stanley Sun, Lucian Yu, Kwok Siu Ming, Wong Ting Chung, Tang Kam Hung, Jimmy Tang and Cheung Hok Sau, as well as Community Chest Board Member Leon Lai. Also in attendance were Bryan and Hui Gaw, Raymond and Helen Kwok, Dennis and Betty Sun, Michael and Francis Tien, Simon and Eleanor Kwok, and David Liao, amidst a group of over 100 guests. Continuing in its quest to showcase unique, meaningful events within the Hong Kong social calendar, The Mira Hong Kong sponsored the exclusive “Wine for Millions” Community Chest fundraising dinner, held at the hotel’s contemporary European fine-dining restaurant, WHISK. A specially created menu by Chef Justin Quek was paired with a selection of the world’s finest wines, all generously donated by high profile sponsors of the Chest.

After a cocktail reception and souvenir presentation at the 5/F garden lounge of The Mira Hong Kong, Chef Justin Quek took guests on a gastronomic journey at WHISK, showcasing a winter menu of seasonal European delicacies, including Roasted Maine Lobster in Shao Xing Wine with Sautéed Ceps; Spinach Purée with Poached Organic Egg, Crispy Parmesan and White Truffle Shavings; Pan-Roasted Challans Duck with Braised Endive Gratin; Tian of Suckling Pig with Braised Pig Trotter, Goose Confit, Truffle Duxelle and Fresh Black Truffle Shavings; Japanese Home-Smoked, Grilled Wagyu Beef with Glazed carrots and Bordeaux Sauce; and Roquefort Bavarois and Floating Island with Praline and Caramelised Hazelnut for dessert.

Chef Justin’s dishes were paired with a selection of the world’s finest red wines, each one bearing the coveted “100” rating. These included a Domaine Ramonet Batard Montrachet Grand Cru 1991, a Château Palmer 1961, a Château Montrose 1990, a Château Beausejour Duffau 1990; a Château Lafite Rothschild 1995, a Château Latour 1996, a Château Margaux 1996 and a Château d’Yquem 1994, which were generously donated by wine sponsors.

About The Mira Hong Kong

“Mira” signifies a giant, red star in the constellation of Cetus. It means “foresight” in Spanish and “perfection, peaceful and prosperous” in Latin. With such a directional name, it is anticipated that The Mira Hong Kong will soar, prosper and shine.

Centrally located on Nathan Road in Tsimshatsui, The Mira Hong Kong is situated in the heart of Hong Kong’s commercial, shopping, dining and entertainment district. Located close to the local Mass Transit Railway (MTR), railway stations and the Star Ferry, the hotel connects easily to all parts of Hong Kong. Adjacent to The Mira Hong Kong are a retail promenade of branded boutiques, large-scale shopping malls, bargain outlets and upscale eateries.

MiraSpa, is a 21st century new spa concept managed by the hotel. Complemented by the indoor infinity-edge pool and fitness centre, the spa encompasses 18,000 square-feet of total fitness, beauty and wellness.

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About The Community Chest

Established in 1968, The Community Chest is an independent, non-profit making organisation neither funded, nor operated by the Government of the HKSAR.

Every year, the Chest organises over 50 activities to raise funds for its 148 member social welfare agencies to provide comprehensive services for the elderly, the mentally and physically impaired, children, youth and families at risk, the ex-mentally ill, ex-offenders, the terminally ill, and many others.

The Chest’s administrative cost is subsidised by the generous annual grant from The Hong Kong Jockey Club and its prudent investment in various funds. Therefore, the Chest is very proud to be one of the few fund-raising bodies in the world who boast of **100% allocation of funds** to its beneficiaries without any deduction for administrative expenses. Each year, over 1.7 million needy benefit from your generosity.

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