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# BELIEF

Hong Kong is more than its buildings, businesses, and attractions. The heart of the city is its people — their stories, memories, and relationships are what really make the city remarkable.

# OBJECTIVE

Create a brand identity that captures the spirit of Hong Kong and invokes a sense of pride and unity among her people.

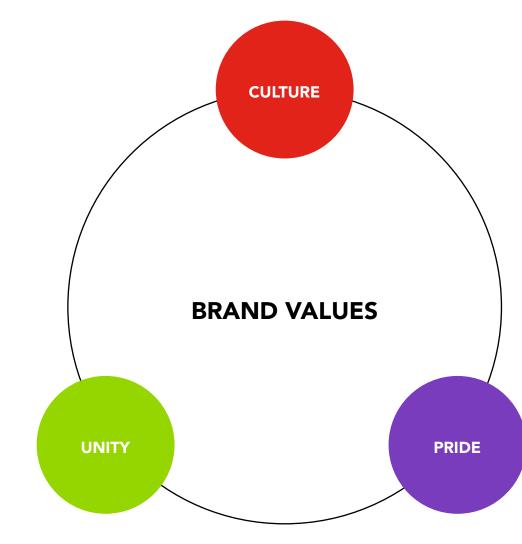
# MANTRA

We are Hong Kong.

# 02. // **MANIFESTO**

# **STANDARDS & BEHAVIORS**

We welcome and embrace individuals and companies with a vision for the future and a desire to improve the world. We believe the open and competitive atmosphere of Hong Kong brings out the best results.





# WE ARE

a city of millions of faces, each with a story to tell, and each a part of a vibrant, global culture. We are the elderly man, practicing his morning Tai Chi, and we are the young business woman, innovating ideas for a better tomorrow. We are the dim sum shop around the corner, frequented by generations of families, and we are the bright lights in Causeway Bay that never shut off. We are the warm breeze flowing through the lush mountain side, and the bustling sounds of street life that keep your heart pumping. We are the unforgettable days and nights in a place like no other, forged from the hands of all that call this place home. We are many things, and

# WE ARE HONG KONG.

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# MOOD BOARDS

# SOUND & ENVIRONMENT

Energetic Vibrant Bustling Not unpleasant or harsh

# TASTES N

Modern Bold Diverse Cultural (Chinese and global) Authentic Personal Inspiring Adventurous

**TARGETS**Promote cultural pride among locals and ex-pats.Promote Hong Kong to travelers and businesses as an exciting and vibrant place to grow and experience.

# TRENDS

Desire for more authentic experiences Rise of areas that offer diverse choices in convenient proximity Need for self expression among youth Need for balance in city life

# 04. // BRAND PHILOSOPHY

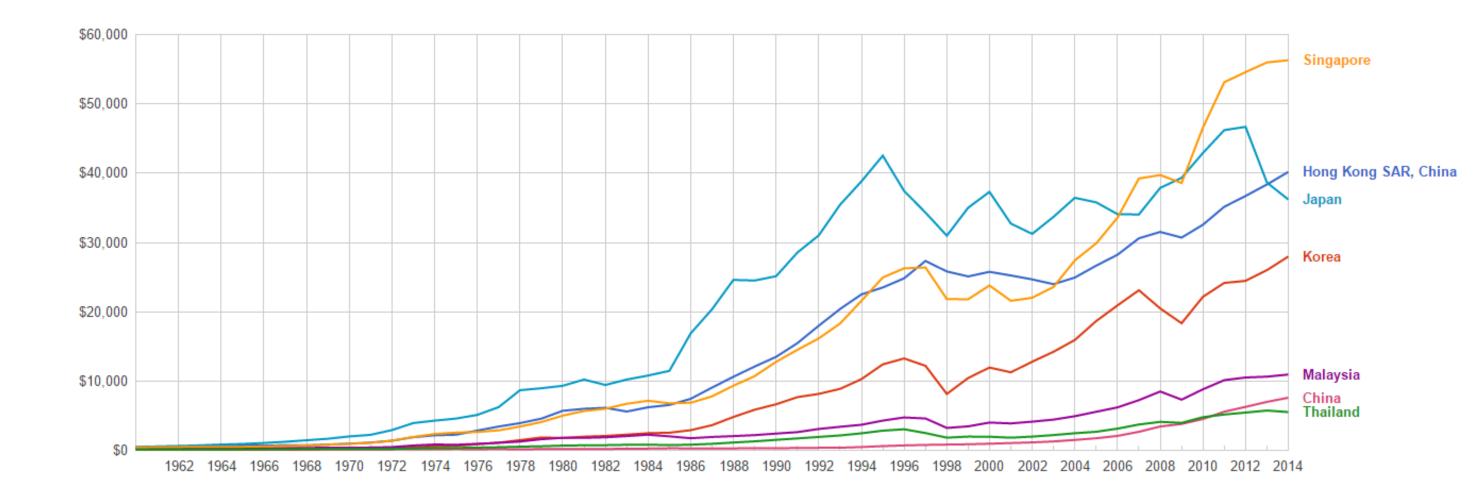
Hong Kong is a renowned city like no other, that is home to millions of people. We believe each one of these people should feel happy and prideful to call Hong Kong home.
WE ARE HONG KONG is the voice that signifies our city is what we make it — because Hong Kong is our loved ones, it is our happy moments, and it is part of who we are are. Hong Kong is us, and we are what make this city remarkable.

# 05. // BRAND STRATEGY

# STRATEGIC CREATIVE DRIVERS

To promote the core values of **WE ARE HONG KONG,** our brand must become present within the communities of Hong Kong.

Promote **CULTURE** in communities through reoccurring community events. Promote **PRIDE** and **UNITY** by integrating **WE ARE HONG KONG** branding into public areas and creating advertising campaigns driven by inspirational messaging.



# 06. // THE GAUGE

# **COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE**

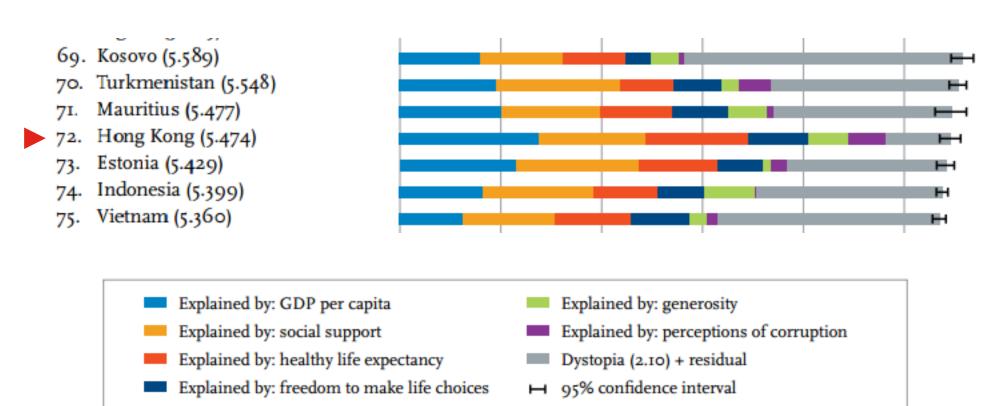
Competitors: Shanghai, Seoul, Singapore, Malaysia, Tokyo, Bangkok

Despite being a small city, Hong Kong exhibits steady and high GDP growth, that is only outshined by Singapore.



# HAPPINESS REPORT

Although Hong Kong has one of the highest GDP in Asia, it has scored very low on happiness according to the World Happiness Report. Based on the report, Hong Kong scores moderately well in all categories, but very low the Dystopia category, meaning that the people's perception in Hong Kong is very negative.



### **MOST HAPPY**

# INSIGHT

Hong Kong's greatest weakness is the people's lack of satisfaction. This is caused by dissatisfaction with quality of living as well as recent political unrest.







# HAPPINESS

# BRAND **IDENTITY**

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01.// THE BIG **IDEA** 

# 我們 是ARE 杏港 HK

The logo for **WE ARE HONG KONG** intertwines Western and Chinese typography to signify the global culture of Hong Kong. The bold, serif typefaces communicate the passion and pride of the brand, as well as the brand's modern voice. The tightly gridded layout of the characters along with their jumbled placement reflects how Hong Kong is a tight jumble of different buildings, cultures, and people.

# LOGO CONCEPT

# 02. // **IDENTITY ELEMENTS**

# **VERTICAL VS. HORIZONTAL**

In special cases where the dimensions of the visual area are not suitable to for the vertical logo, the horizontal logo may be used. The vertical logo is preferred and the horizontal logo should only be used when absolutely necessary.





VERTICAL

HORIZONTAL









# **MINIMUM SIZE**

For good legibility, the logo should never be displayed smaller than the following sizes.

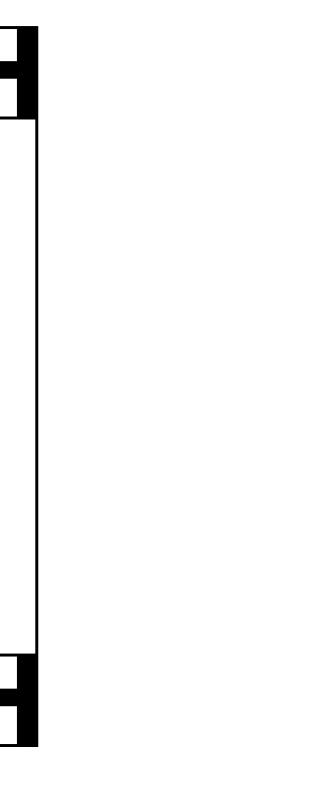
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Minimum height: 35 px @ 326 PPI

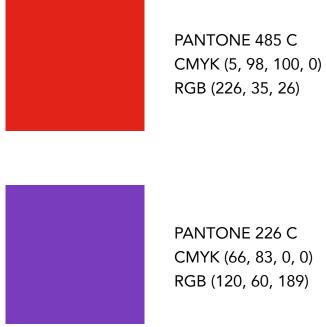
# **RESPECT AREA**

To maintain the integrity of the logo, other elements should not fall within a distance equal to the logo's **"H."** 





**PRIMARY COLOR PALETTE** 



PANTONE 226 C CMYK (66, 83, 0, 0)



PANTONE 375 C CMYK (46, 0, 100, 0) RGB (149, 214, 0)

# SECONDARY COLOR PALETTE

PANTONE 116 C

RGB (0, 93, 139)

PANTONE 333 C

PANTONE 213 C

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CMYK (0, 18, 100, 0)
RGB (225, 206, 0)
PANTONE 3395 C
CMYK (85, 0, 65, 0)
PANTONE Orange 021 C
CMYK (0, 83, 100, 0)
RGB (285, 80, 0)
CMYK (61, 0, 34, 0)
RGB (52, 217, 195)
CMYK (1, 98, 24, 0)
RGB (234, 29, 118)
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# PRIMARY COLOR COMBINATION

When the logo needs to be used in full color, this logo is recommended as the standard choice.



# **COLOR VARIATIONS**

我們

WE

是ARE

HK

港

To show the diverse culture of Hong Kong, the elements of the logo can be changed to many different color combinations, not limited to the ones shown here.

我們

香港

**/E** 

是ARE

HK

The following elements must be the same color: 香港 + HK, WE + ARE, 我們 + 是





# BACKGROUNDS

If the logo is used against a background, a white logo should be used against a dark background and a black should be used against a light balckground. When using a colored logo, ensure that there is enough contrast between the logo and the background.







# **COLORED BACKGROUNDS**

Using a white logo is prefered against a colored background. Colored logos can also be used on colored backgrounds, as long as the colors are not conflicting or too similar.



# **INCORRECT USAGE**

When using the logo, it is important to not compromise the integrity, aesthetics, or legibility of the brand. Here are some examples of what not to do.



Do not place the logo on a cluttered background.



Do not use drop shadows, glows, or 3d effects on the logo.



Do not cut off the logo or place it against an edge.



Do not angle the logo, unless it is a crutial element of the design.



Do not use more than three colors for the logo.



Do not distort or stretch the logo.

# 03. // **GRAPHIC**/ EDITORIAL ELEMENTS

# **TYPOGRAPHY**

The typefaces used with **WE ARE HONG KONG** are the Avenir family and the Kozuka Gothic family.

# WE ARE HONG KONG 們是香洌

Headline 1 // Avenir Black All Caps 48 pt // Kozuka Gothic Heavy 48 pt

# A CITY OF MILLIONS OF FACES 一個城市的數以百萬計的面孔

Headline 2 // Avenir Black All Caps 18 pt // Kozuka Gothic Bold 18 pt

# EACH WITH A STORY TO TELL 每個人都有自己的故事

Body bold // Avenir Black All Caps 12 pt // Kozuka Gothic Bold 13 pt

We are the elderly man, practicing his morning Tai Chi, and we are the young business woman, innovating ideas for a better tomorrow. We are the dim sum shop around the corner, frequented by generations of families, and we are the bright lights in Causeway Bay that never shut off. We are the warm breeze flowing through the lush mountain side, and the bustling sounds of street life that keep your heart pumping. We are the unforgettable days and nights in a place like no other, forged from the hands of all that call this place home.

我們是老人, 練他的早晨太極, 而我們是年輕的女商人, 創新思路, 共創美好明天。我們是蠢蠢欲動, 通 過幾代人的家庭經常光顧的點心店,我們是明亮的燈光在銅鑼灣,從來沒有關閉。我們是和煦的微風流 經茂密的山邊,和街道生活繁華的聲音,讓你的心臟血。我們是令人難忘的日日夜夜裡沒有像其他的地 方,所有調用這個地方回家的手偽造的。

Body copy // Avenir Roman 12 pt // Kozuka Gothic Roman 13 pt















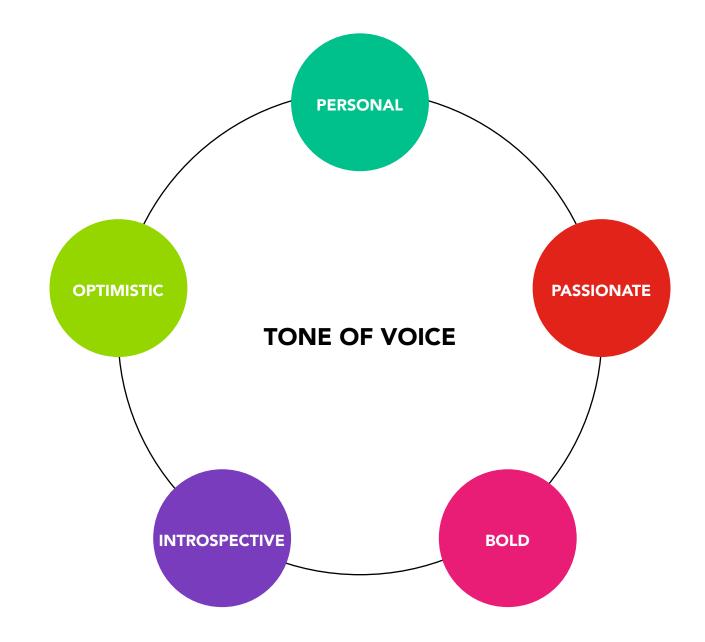






# PHOTO DIRECTION

**WE ARE HONG KONG** aims to capture the story of the Hong Kong people, and show authentic glimpses of life in Hong Kong. The photo direction is very nostalgic and personal.







# VISUAL LANGUAGE CONCEPTS

To combine imagery with the bold aesthetic of **WE ARE HONG KONG**, the brand's colors can be overlayed onto images.











### 我們 WE 是ARE 香港 HK

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Jon Doe CEO Company X 123 Main St.

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Sincerely,

Cynthia Lu







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# STATIONERY



CREATIVE DIRECTOR





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# 01. // CORPORATE IMMERSION

# **AD CAMPAIGN**

Hong Kong is everything we are. It is us, our family, and our friends. Everyone in Hong Kong has a story, and that is what we want to celebrate in our advertising.

# **CAMPAIGN CONCEPT**

The objective of the campaign is to convey **"WE ARE HONG KONG"** in a simple, powerful message. This message is also conveyed through a personal and emotional visual.









# **AD DESIGN SYSTEM**

Here is how we apply the brand identity to our ads to ensure our message is expressed in a consistent manner. a simple, passionate headline that expresses how Hong Kong is its people alternate lines of Chinese and English to show unity and culture



the visual is faded and overlayed with a brand color

visual shows a simple, personal moment

headline is set in a contrasting brand color that is easily legibile against the background

logo is right of headline



logo in white

# **PUBLICATION CONCEPT**

Our publication aims to build community by recording and sharing a diverse collection of short narratives and photos of people's lives in Hong Kong.



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# PUBLICATION DESIGN

Layouts should be kept simple and balanced, with strong contrasts in the size of text and visual elements.

# Photo with color treatment on on page

English and Chinese headlines imposed on photo



### A MOMENT IN TIME 在某個時刻

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Subheadline and short personal narrative

### Caption

# ENVIRONMENTAL IMMERSION





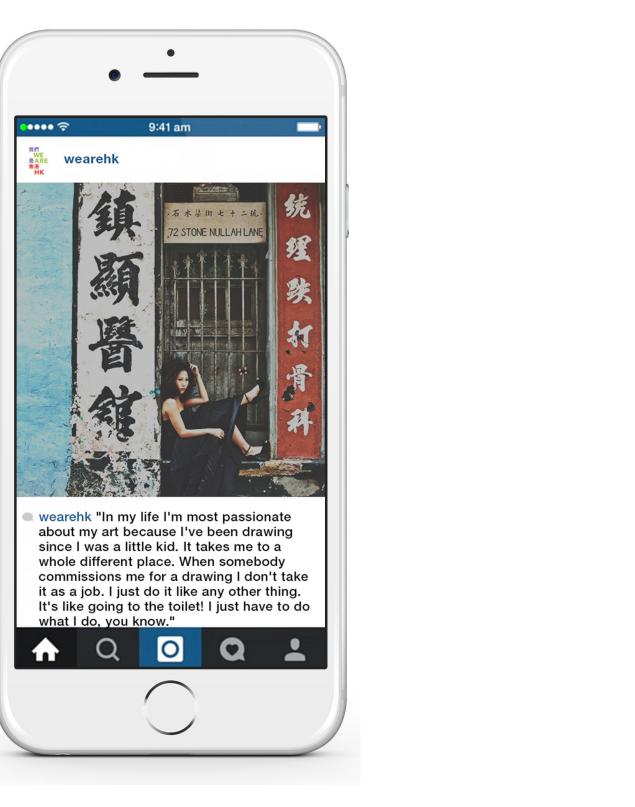
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# 03. // **MULTIMEDIA IMMERSION**

# SOCIAL MEDIA

On social media, **WE ARE HONG KONG** is about creating dialogue and giving voice to the people of Hong Kong. Every week, we will collect stories and photos from a variety of people in Hong Kong and share on social media channels. There will also be contests and chances for people to submit their own stories.





# **VIDEO CONCEPT**

We will also share stories through videos on Youtube. Videos range from personal interviews to group questionnaires, or even montage.



Fifty People One Question: Hong Kong (Your dream in life?) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1nlE28j2ob0



04. // **PRODUCT &** SERVICE **IMMERSION** 









# 05. // COMMUNITY BUILDING



# **EVENT INTEGRATION**

We Are Hong Kong branding should be present at events and holidays throughout the year, both cultural (full moon festival) and modern (music festival).

# HONG KONG STORIES

Actively collect stories from a variety of people in Hong Kong and share through social media channels and publications.