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Be The Change

ThinkSeries Leaders Charity Showcase 2012

On 11th May, hundreds convened at the Agnes b. Theatre for the ThinkSeries Leaders Charity Showcase 2012. The hour-long showcase served as a platform for the 18 ThinkSeries Leaders to affirm that change is coming, while proudly showing the contributions they have made to their respective charities.

Supported and inspired by ThinkSeries Charity Foundation, the showcase was lit up by the enthusiasm the Leaders showed for volunteering over the past five months through serving different charity organizations: Hong Kong Blind Union, Yang Memorial Methodist Social Service, Hong Kong Parents' Association and St. James' Settlement. With "Be the Change" as this year's theme, leaders demonstrated their efforts in serving all walks of life through interactive dramas and presentations, raising the awareness of the general public towards the needy. "We are different but the same!" Albert Leung, one of the leaders who has been cooperating with the Hong Kong Blind Union expressed his deepest feeling with all the audience, reminding everyone of our equal ability despite physical difference. Representatives from the four organizations also gave inspiring speeches and showed appreciation of the youthful vibrancy of the 18 leaders. Ricky, volunteer from Hong Kong Blind Union, has also been impressed by Albert's group's enthusiasm and devotion to making E-books to reach out to the often-overlooked blind population in Hong Kong. "I am touched by their sincere hard work and their passion in contributing to the society. I believe this is a remarkable experience for all the young leaders." Said Mr Lai, Chairperson of the Hong Kong Parents' Association.

"We all urge you to join us in making the world a better place. Be the change you wish to see in the world!" shouted out by Brian Cheng, one of the leaders who has been serving the St. James' Settlement. As the pioneers for change, we leaders took the first step in soliciting community involvement. Change was also displayed when all of us came together and planned and held the entire ceremony: from booking venues to acting as the MCs, Project Managers, Press Team and Interviewers, as well as all the administrative works." 18 of them didn't only grow more mature, but have developed numerous leadership skills such as responsibility and

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courage. They make changes for the society, and they have also made changes to themselves.” One of the teachers said.

With singing of the theme song of ThinkSeries and presentation of plaques, this year’s programme was officially ended. Nevertheless, we believe this is the starting point for all the 18 leaders. With the great passion of us leaders, the candles we lit up shall shine brighter, and the candles without a flame are going to be lit up. We pledged to display vibrancy in our future through expressing care and concern as we get actively involved in community service, inspiring the next generation.



For more details of our programme, please visit: <http://www.thinkseries.org/>

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