



## PDN HK Presents: Human Library I & II PRESS RELEASE



*Launched by SENsational Foundation in 2021, the Professional Disability Network Hong Kong (PDN HK) is a networking initiative aimed at promoting greater connectivity among corporations, institutions, and organisations committed to advancing disability inclusion. As part of its ongoing efforts to further this mission, PDN HK has organised two highly successful events in the past two months. These events have provided a unique platform for individuals with disabilities, disability advocates, and industry leaders to engage in open dialogue, share experiences, and explore innovative solutions that can help build a more inclusive society. The following press release provides more information about these two events.*

### ***Professional Disability Network Hong Kong's Human Library Events: Empowering Conversations on Disability with Inspiring Guest Speakers***

Hong Kong, 19 July 2023 - The Professional Disability Network Hong Kong recently hosted the second edition of its successful human library event, aimed at promoting open dialogue and creating a new perspective on disability. The event built on the success of the first edition, which was held on 30 May 2023 and featured a unique concept of "human libraries" where participants cycled around different stations, each featuring a guest speaker who shared their personal experiences with disability. The purpose of having guest speakers engage with small groups was to create a safe and inclusive space for open dialogue on disabilities.

Both editions of the human library featured a diverse group of guest speakers, including individuals with apparent and non-apparent disabilities, individuals with family members who had a disability, and individuals championing disability rights. The events showcased the various ways in which people can be connected to disability and how these experiences can shape who we are.

The second edition of the human library offered a more intimate and reflective atmosphere, in contrast to the focus on perspective-sharing in the first edition. Participants engaged in even more insightful conversations and gained a deeper understanding of disability. The speakers shared their stories with authenticity and passion, creating an atmosphere of curiosity and care that facilitated meaningful interactions.



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PDNHK would like to extend its sincere thanks to all the guest speakers—Amanda Au, Hannah Bent, Vivian Cheng, Yuni Ji, Jo Lodder, Bryan Lui, Jonathan Mok, Christy Ting, and Jacky Wan—for being willing to share their experiences and stories. The organisation would also like to thank Manulife, a PDNHK member, for sponsoring the first event and JLL for being the venue sponsor for the second event, without which it would not have been possible to bring such authentic moments of connectivity and compassion to fruition.

The success of both editions of the human library demonstrates PDNHK's commitment to creating a platform for individuals with disabilities and their allies to share their experiences, advocate for their rights, and build a supportive community. The organisation looks forward to hosting many more successful events in the future.

For more information on the Professional Disability Network Hong Kong, please visit [www.pdnhk.org](http://www.pdnhk.org). Any enquiries about the event should be sent to [contact@sensationalhk.org](mailto:contact@sensationalhk.org).

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