



Empowerment and inclusivity

In 2017, Bosco Ng and Rainbow Chow won the Hong Kong Youth Service Award that is given by HKFYG. Their social enterprises work to increase understanding of people in ethnic minority groups and to empower marginalized women in Hong Kong.

WEDO GLOBAL offers multicultural education that brings people from different cultures together, both in Hong Kong and abroad. Theme-based walking tours and workshops are guided by young ambassadors who give a glimpse of how those with different cultural roots live and work. Bosco Ng explains how his social enterprise enhances cultural sensitivity.



"We train those who are under-represented in Hong Kong and believe that misunderstanding and miscommunication lie at the roots of low tolerance of them. Well-structured programmes like ours connect people from differing cultural backgrounds such as Chinese and Nepalese. When they meet and interact they have a chance to embrace cultural differences and break down communication barriers."

Increasing understanding of difference while raising awareness of racial discrimination and stereotyping can change negative perceptions. After all, we may look different from one another but that difference is often only skin-deep. We have many human features in common and those that we lack are far outnumbered.

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WEDO GLOBAL team members are pictured on the cover of this issue.



Rainbow Chow founded MicroForests as a social enterprise to enhance the social mobility of marginalized women. Her workshops are designed to be inclusive and empowering for women belonging to ethnic minority groups, amongst others. With Rainbow, they find not only training and the fulfilment of creative work but also opportunities to regain confidence and boost their income with dignity.



MicroForests workshops create employment by teaching women how to make miniaturized container gardens. As Rainbow explains, these mini-gardens are inspired by Japanese floral art: "We create living artwork that brings green, peace, happiness and balance to the busy lives of Hong Kong people. Each MicroForests artwork is a unique ecosystem made just for you!" ■

Weekly workshops

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Read more about efforts to explore the issue of race and multiculturalism in National Geographic "The Race Issue", Exploring Race and Diversity in the 21st Century. April 2018. natgeo.com/TheRaceIssue

The issue is accompanied by a discussion guide aimed at parents and educators with the latest research, anecdotes and stories about labels that define, separate and unite us.