



“Lessons in Dissent”

A kaleidoscopic, visceral portrait of a new generation of Hong Kong democracy activists

The film screening of *Lessons in Dissent* will be introduced by Shiao Ching Wong, who is writing her PhD thesis in the School of Culture and Communication on the anti-National Education movement in Hong Kong.

The screening will be followed by a video-linked discussion with Matthew Torne, director and writer of the film, and Avery Ng, activist and Vice-Chairman of the League of Social Democrats, and moderated by Associate Professor Fran Martin.

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Schoolboy Joshua Wong (nominated for Time Magazine's Person of the Year 2014) dedicates himself to stopping the introduction of National Education, and a showdown with the government seems inevitable. Microphone in hand, and still in his school uniform, he leads 120,000 protesters into battle.

Meanwhile, former classmate Ma Jai fights against political oppression on the streets and in the courts. Having dropped out of school and dedicated himself to the social movement, he endures the persecution suffered by those not

lucky enough to be protected by the media's glare.

Lessons in Dissent catapults the viewer onto the streets of Hong Kong and into the heart of the action: confronting the viewer with Hong Kong's oppressive heat, stifling humidity and air thick with dissent.

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4.30 - 6.30pm

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Admission is free

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