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Hotel developer donates \$10K for exhibit to be hosted by UOG and its Taiwan partners

Chairman Kun-Tai "Kent" Hsu of Taiwan-based real estate developer Honhui Group recently donated \$10,000 to support an art and literature exhibit that stems from a partnership between the Asia Pacific Studies Center at the University of Guam and UOG's partner Taiwanese institutions.

UOG partners include the National Museum of Taiwan Literature and National Taitung University. The exhibit is scheduled for June 6-10, 2023, at the Sen. Antonio M. Palomo Guam Museum & Chamorro Educational Facility in Hagåtña.

"We are honored to support the 2023 Taiwan-Guam Austronesian International Arts Exhibition, and we believe that this event will help deepen cultural ties between Taiwan and Guam," said Hsu. "Through our support, we hope to contribute to the preservation and promotion of Austronesian culture and to foster greater appreciation and understanding of the rich artistic traditions of this diverse and vibrant community."

Honhui Group holds a real estate portfolio of more than \$7 billion, mostly in Taiwan, and including land parcels in Guam's Tumon Bay.

During their visit to UOG on April 7, 2023, Honhui Group representatives provided an overview of the developer's proposed Tumon Bay hotel project to UOG administrators and faculty including from the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences and School of Business and Public Administration. The project is expected to cost about \$350 million and will include a CHamoru design-inspired waterpark.

"The Honhui Group's generous donation will help make this exhibition a great success," said Dr. Sharleen Santos-Bamba, Interim Vice Provost for Academic Excellence, Graduate Studies and Online Learning. "We look forward to continuing our collaboration with Honhui Group to promote cultural exchange, tourism, and economic growth in Guam and Taiwan."

The University of Guam Endowment Foundation received the donation.

For more information on the collaboration between UOG and Taiwan universities, contact Dr. Kuan-Ju Chen, assistant professor of agricultural economics, and the senior liaison of the Asia Pacific Studies Center at UOG, chenkj@triton.uog.edu.

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From left: Monique Carriveau Storie, Dean of University Libraries; Executive Director Katrina Perez, of the UOG Endowment Foundation; Dr. Sharleen Santos-Bamba, Interim Vice Provost for Academic Excellence, Graduate Studies and Online Learning; Chairman Kun-Tai "Kent" Hsu of Taiwanese real estate developer Honhui Group; Dean James Sellman of the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences; and Dr. Kuan-Ju Chen, the senior liaison of the Asia Pacific Universities Consortium at UOG; gather for Honhui Group's \$10,000 check donation on April 7, 2023 at the CLASS conference room.

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Chairman Kun-Tai "Kent" Hsu of Taiwanese real estate developer Honhui Group, sixth from left, joins Interim Dean Roseann Jones of the University of Guam School of Business Administration on April 7, 2023, during the Honhui Group team's visit to the Jesus and Eugenia Leon Guerrero Business and Public Administration Building on April 7, 2023

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