



## **MGM Reigns in HOFEX Hong Kong International Culinary Classics 2019**

MGM Culinary Team swept eight awards: three Gold, two Silver and two Bronze in the prestigious Hong Kong International Culinary Classic (HKICC) at HOFEX 2019 this May. Amongst strong competition from Australia, Hong Kong, Malaysia, and Taiwan, Sous Chef Mr. Kwan Wing Fat from Imperial Court of MGM MACAU obtained a Golden Bauhinia Cup, which is the most prestigious award in Chinese Cuisine category. Meanwhile, Ms. Ip Wai Teng from Pastry & Bakery at MGM COTAL won a Gold with Distinction award by scoring full marks, being the only Gold with Distinction winner in this internationally-acclaimed competition.

**Mr. Geoffrey Simmons, Director of Culinary of MGM**, applauds on the team's achievements, "I am incredibly proud of the team who spent almost 800 hours preparing well for the competition, and the success is the culmination of the past three months of continuous hard work and dedication of both participants and their trainers. Their outstanding results demonstrated our team's ability to combine culinary flair and professionalism for a total dining experience, and are a testament to MGM's on-going commitment to nurturing talent diversity for Macau. We will continue to bring our expertise of culinary innovation and experiences to Macau, making the city a truly memorable dining destination for guests."

Ms. Ip Wai Teng also thanked MGM for the support she has been receiving throughout the competition, "Having a stable job doesn't mean we need to stop learning and growing, I am truly proud to be the only one who can score full marks in this prestigious competition. I would like to thank for my team's support, dedication and effort over the past few months of preparation and intensive training."

Endorsed by World Chefs – World Association of Chefs Societies and co-organised by the Hong Kong Chefs Associations (HKCA), HKICC 2019 aims at promoting culinary excellence, skills and abilities of chefs, cooks, pastry chefs and apprentices from near and far.

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## **About MGM**

MGM is an abbreviation for MGM China Holdings Limited (HKEx: 2282) and is a leading developer, owner and operator of gaming and lodging resorts in the Greater China region. We are the holding company of MGM Grand Paradise, SA which holds one of the six gaming concessions/subconcessions to run casino games in Macau. MGM Grand Paradise, SA owns and operates MGM MACAU, the award-winning premium integrated resort located on the Macau Peninsula and MGM COTAI, a contemporary luxury integrated resort in Cotai, which opened in early 2018 and more than doubles our presence in Macau.

MGM MACAU is a Forbes Five-Star luxury integrated resort inspired by the arts with every element of the resort infused with creativity and style. MGM MACAU has approximately 600 guest rooms and suites and boasts a number of distinguishing features, including the architecturally stunning European-inspired Grande Praça, housed under a soaring glass ceiling. MGM MACAU's world class facilities include the MGM Art Space, dedicating over 5,000 square feet to display authentic works of art, conference and event facilities, spa, and seven signature restaurants and bars to fulfill any gastronomic craving. Our property is conveniently located on the Macau Peninsula and is directly connected to the luxury retail shopping complex, One Central.

MGM COTAI is the latest integrated resort of MGM in China. Designed as the “jewelry box” of Cotai, it offers approximately 1,400 hotel rooms and suites, Asia's first dynamic theater, meeting space, high end spa, retail offerings and food and beverage outlets as well as the first international Mansion at MGM for the ultimate luxury experience. The Spectacle at MGM COTAI becomes the record holder of the largest free-span gridshell glazed roof (self-supporting) on January 19, 2019, making it the first architectural and structural GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ title for Macau, China. MGM COTAI is being developed to drive greater product diversification and bring more advanced and innovative forms of entertainment to Macau as it grows as a global tourist destination. MGM COTAI is the largest property and the first mega-size complex project in Macau to achieve the China Green Building Design Label Three-Star Certification.

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