

From Setbacks to Success: AC Alumnus Lee Rui Feng Isaac Publishes HKADC-Funded Biography

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My name is Lee Rui Feng Isaac (李睿峯), and I graduated from the Department of Accountancy, College of Business, City University of Hong Kong in 2022.

Recently, I was honoured to receive a Project Grant under the Literary Arts (Biography) category from the Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC). With the support of this grant, I successfully published my autobiography, *港孩漂流記*, in June 2026.



從香港到上海，再飛向加拿大——一個港孩的漂流與回歸。
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在陌生的城市裏，他一次次迷失，又一次次把自己找回。
這是屬於一代人的漂泊故事，
也是每個曾在他們尋找自己的人，共同的回憶。
——獻給所有在異鄉艱辛生長的港島少年

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The book chronicles my personal journey after leaving Hong Kong in 2007 and growing up in Shanghai and Hamilton, Canada. It reflects on the challenges I faced in adapting to different cultures, customs, and environments while seeking a sense of identity in my formative years. The story documents my decade-long journey of perseverance from 2007 to 2017, including overcoming academic setbacks – such as repeating Grade 3 – and ultimately earning a place at university. I believe that these experiences will resonate with many members of the Hong Kong community who have faced adversity and major change in their own lives.

The grant application process was highly competitive, requiring applicants to demonstrate how their proposed work would contribute to Hong Kong's arts and cultural development. As someone without a traditional arts background, I was particularly grateful to have my project recognised. Moreover, it is relatively uncommon for the HKADC to sponsor a biography written by a non-celebrity author at such a young age (I was only 27 when the book was published). Receiving this grant was therefore a significant milestone for me, as well as for my family, whose support has been invaluable throughout this journey.

By sharing my story, I hope to inspire students and other young people who may encounter challenges similar to those I faced. I sincerely hope that readers will gain insight, encouragement, and confidence from my experiences and be reminded that setbacks do not define one's future. Rather, perseverance, adaptability, and self-discovery can open doors to opportunities that once seemed beyond reach.

Reference Links:

- [HKADC Project Grant & Scholarship - List of approved grantees with their Project Grant applications received between 1 January 2025 and 30 June 2025](#)