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Question:

During 2013-14, the Administration will “open a visual arts exhibition and activity centre at Oil Street, which was converted from the former Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, a Grade II historic building, for the purpose of nurturing local young visual artists”. What are the details of the plan?

Asked by: Hon. CHEUNG Kwok-che

Reply:

The visual arts exhibition and activity centre at Oil Street is an art space with a special focus on nurturing local young artists and promoting community engagement. Through curating art exhibitions and organising community activities in collaboration with the visual arts sector, the art space will serve as an incubator for young artistic talents, a facilitator to art creations and an art project space to engage the community. Different art projects will be organised at the art space to provide a platform and opportunities for budding and practicing artists to collaborate and share. Crossover disciplinary projects and experimental projects will also be organised to help the young artists build up their career and personal profiles in the field.

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