# By Email

# Meyer Poon Memorial Award - Year 2014

On behalf of the Hong Kong Institute of Acoustics (HKIOA), I invite you to nominate your students for the consideration for the above award. The award is divided into undergraduate (higher diploma, associate degree, and bachelor degree) and postgraduate (MSc, MEng, MPhil, PhD) categories. Submission is by soft-copy in pdf format only (by email or CD, in single line spacing to fascilitate easy reading of long reports) to me with the statement that the supervisor endorses the submission. The HKIOA will keep the soft-copy for archival purpose. The closing date is 11<sup>th</sup> Jul 2014.

HKIOA (http://www.hkioa.org/) is a learned society for the local professionals engaging in all fields of acoustics. In pursuing this objective and in memory of the late Mr. Meyer Poon (a respected member who died of cancer in late 1993), the Meyer Poon Memorial Award has been set up. The Award aims to promote the advancement of the knowledge and practice of acoustics, including all aspects of science and technology of sound, noise and vibration control, and hearing protection.

### The selection criteria

- (a) For the undergraduate category, the work must clearly demonstrate a good understanding of the acoustic principles. For the postgraduate category, the work must also show a certain degree of advancement of knowledge.
- (b) The knowledge of acoustics should be applied to a practical problem of noise and/or vibration control, hearing protection, or other closely related applications. A piece of pure theoretical work can also be considered, but it must demonstrate a clear *potential* to be applied to real world applications. Alternatively, the work may be devoted to the enhancement of public awareness of environmental noise problems, policy discussions and the betterment of our living environment at large.
- (c) Consideration will be given to the difference of level of studies within each category. The committee may decide to combine two categories if the submissions in the two are very unbalanced. The committee may also decide to give less than 3 awards in each category depending on the final assessment of the entries. Group projects will also be considered for the undergraduate category, and due quantitative consideration will be given to such entries when compared with individual entries.

#### The selection procedure:

The submissions will be screened by an assessment panel and shortlisted candidates will be invited to give a 15-min presentation to the panel. The presentations are open to all members of HKIOA, and the award will be presented to the winners immediately after a brief panel discussion. For the undergraduate category, such presentation and award ceremony will be

normally held in August (evening or Saturday), while the postgraduate event may be held separately.

# The prize

Each winner will be given a certificate of award and HKIOA voucher which can be used to claim expenses of attending acoustics related professional activities or publication of project results in recommended journals, such as *Technical Acoustics*, a high quality journal co-sponsored by HKIOA. All participants are encouraged to join HKIOA as associate members with membership fees waived for two years.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Thank you in advance for your participation.

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**Education Sub-committee** 

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