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Calling all movie buffs! Here are all the best cinemas and movie theatres in Hong Kong

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Tickets please! (Photography: pixelshot via Canva Pro)

Head to the best cinemas in Hong Kong, grab some popcorn and get ready for the show!

There are so many things to do in Hong Kong. We love dining at new restaurants across the city, catching up with friends at happy hours, and often we like to get comfortable and enjoy a movie on the big screen. That's why we've put together a list of the best cinemas in Hong Kong – from deluxe movie theatres to arthouses cinematheques, now you can discover new movies at the best locations. Just remember to turn your phone off!

All the best cinemas in Hong Kong

1. K11 Art House

K11 Art House is one of the largest cinemas in Hong Kong with 12 screening houses

Most cinemas have that basic black interior and plain carpet, but K11 Art House is the exact opposite. The first Hong Kong cinema that uses IMAX laser, K11 Art House is inspired by the Swiss Alps, decorated with vintage copper lights and earthy dark wood walls. The theatre is equipped with all the latest AV technology, such as 12-channel Immersive Sound System and 4K RGB Laser for an extraordinary theatrical effect. In addition to the snack kiosk, the cinema has an open sake bar where customers can sip on fine alcoholic beverages while watching movies. VIP House, event room, and MOOV pop-up store are also available at K11 Art House.

K11 Art House, Level 4, K11 Musea, Victoria Dockside, 18 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Hong Kong, p. 3703 4623

2. Movie Movie Pacific Place

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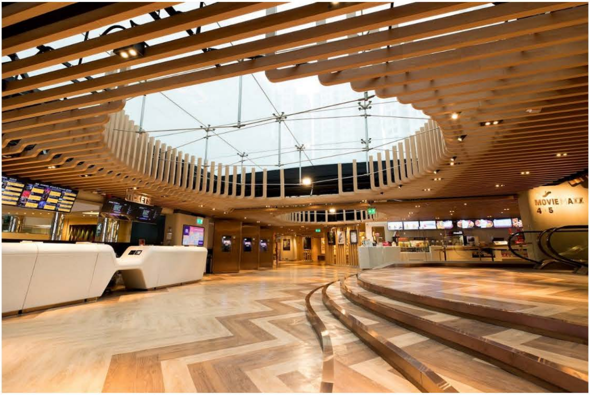
Movie Movie Pacific Place is one of the cosiest movie theatres in Hong Kong (Photography: Movie Movie Pacific Place via Facebook)

With six different houses screening an array of movies, Movie Movie Pacific Place offers laser projection, RealD PWS, and AuroMax 3D Surround Sound System viewing. There is also a VIP Lounge inside the cinema offering cuisine from Plat du Jour, so customers can enjoy a presidential viewing experience. When it comes to best cinemas in Hong Kong, we love the design here, and suggest you check out the beautiful bathrooms before getting comfy for your show. Treat yourself to tickets at the counter or self-service machine and enjoy the best snacks, drinks, and comfy recliner seats.

Movie Movie Pacific Place, Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Admiralty, Hong Kong, p. 2388 0002

3. Movie Movie Cityplaza



The spacious warm wood lobby is bright and welcoming

Managed by Broadway Cinema, Movie Movie Cityplaza is not only a chic theatre but also a cosy cultural hub for bookworms and vintage lovers. This place has six theatres, some equipped with Dolby Atmos, and some with Auromax and 4K laser. Other than the trending movies, guests can also enjoy niche films and classical works. What's more, if you are familiar with Kubrick (an outstanding bookstore in Hong Kong), check out House by Kubrick right inside the theatre. There's eclectic coffees, pastries, and salads, as well as a huge shelf of books and artworks.

Movie Movie Cityplaza, 5/F, Cityplaza, 18 Taikoo Shing Road, Tai Koo, Hong Kong, p. 2388 0002

4. Festival Grand Cinema

BEA Festival Suite at Festival Grand Cinema has 18 wide and comfy seats

Previously AMC, Festival Grand Cinema has been a crucial hub for the cinephiles living around the Kowloon Tong area. This theatre has eight houses and 1,200 seats, including the BEA Festival Suite that serves as a private event space. The chocolate-flavoured popcorn, hot dogs, and cookies at the kiosk make the best treats!

Festival Grand Cinema, UG/F, Festival Walk, 80 Tat Chee Avenue, Kowloon Tong, Hong Kong, p. 2418 8841

5. Broadway Cinematheque

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Broadway Cinematheque is a gem for those wishing to catch festival films (Photography: Broadway Cinematheque 百老匯電影中心 via Facebook)

By screening the best independent movies instead of solely blockbusters, Broadway Cinematheque has become a hub for cinephiles and frequent moviegoers in Hong Kong. The cinema hosts some of the most dynamic film festivals and exhibitions in town, such as the David Lynch Retrospective and the Human Rights Documentary Film Festival. In addition, the film bookstore Kubrick is located right next door, so you can hunt down a wide selection of literature, poetry, and comic books, or grab a coffee post-film and discuss what happened.

Broadway Cinematheque, Prosperous Garden, 3 Public Square Street, Yau Ma Tei, Hong Kong, p. 2388 0002

6. Hong Kong Arts Centre

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A number of artistic programmes for the public are on show at the HKAC (Photography: Hong Kong Arts Centre 香港藝術中心 via Facebook)

Not only does Hong Kong Arts Centre have a diverse range of performing arts exhibitions and unconventional art installations, it also organises different indoor and outdoor movie screenings for the local community. Its educational programmes are inspiring for art lovers of all kinds. You'll need to keep an eye out for these, but it often has great international and local directors and actors talking about their work, so don't miss out.

Hong Kong Arts Centre is also featured in our guide to art galleries in Hong Kong.

Hong Kong Arts Centre, 2 Harbour Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong, p. 2582 0200

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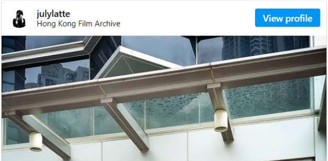
10 LGBTQ+ movies that we have on repeat

7. Hong Kong Film Archive



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Hong Kong Film Archive is committed to preserving Hong Kong's film heritage, as well as conducting research to engage the local community in art and films. Through organising regular retrospective screenings, exhibitions, and seminars, Hong Kong Film Archive is undoubtedly one of the best cinemas in Hong Kong that facilitates learning and knowledge sharing of films.

Hong Kong Film Archive, 50 Lei King Road, Sai Wan Ho, Hong Kong, p. 2739 2139

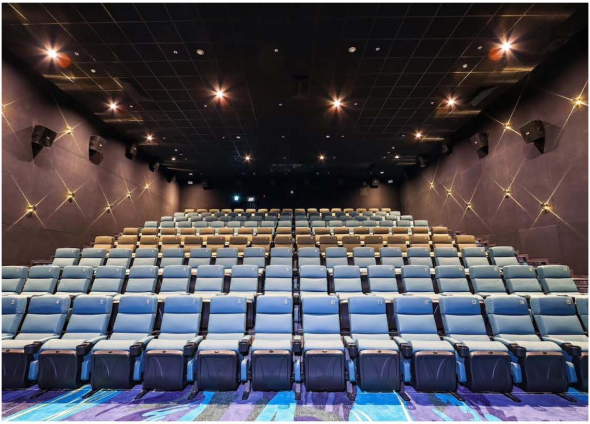
8. Premiere Elements

Premiere Elements is one of the largest cinemas in Hong Kong (Photography: Premiere Elements via Facebook)

Opened in May 2020, Premiere Elements is one of the largest theatres in Hong Kong. It has 12 4K houses (including a CGS Laser Large house), THX Ultimate house, three Dolby Atmos sound houses, and a VIP house. All seating is made with real leather, ensuring not only a great audiovisual experience but also a relaxing ambience. Running late? Use the ticketing machines and you should be able to get seated on time.

Premiere Elements, Unit 2130, 2/F, Fire, Elements, 1 Austin Road West, Kowloon, Hong Kong, p. 2388 0002

9. Emperor Cinemas Entertainment Building

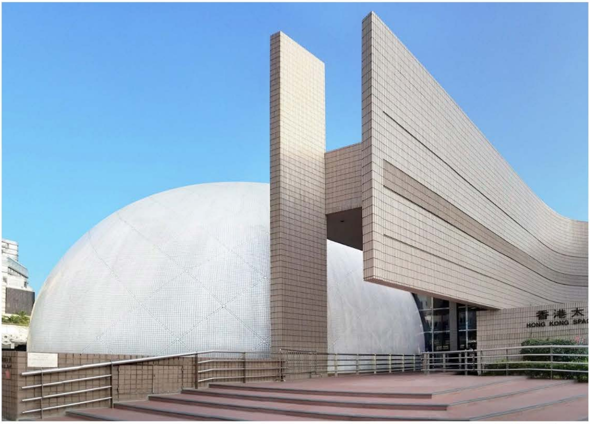


The seats at Emperor Cinemas are designed for a first class customer experience (Photography: Emperor Cinemas 英皇戲院 via Facebook)

Those of you who frequent LKF must've passed by Emperor Cinemas Entertainment Building, a stylish cinema located in the heart of Central that aims to provide a relaxing and luxurious theatrical space for moviegoers. Its VIP house – The Coronet – will send gourmet meals and drinks straight to the customers upon request, making sure they feel pampered and special. Screenings include arthouse movies and selected international and local films. While the prices may be a little higher than your average cinema, you can expect first-class service and amenities here, making it one of the best cinemas in Hong Kong.

Emperor Cinemas Entertainment Building, 3/F, Entertainment Building, 30 Queen's Road Central, Central, Hong Kong, p. 2522 2996

10. Hong Kong Space Museum



Hong Kong Space Museum is an exceptional location for space science enthusiasts to make new discoveries (Photography: 香港太空館 Hong Kong Space Museum via Facebook)

If you're curious and interested in science, the Hong Kong Space Museum showcases a myriad of interesting astronomy film shows regarding the solar system, space, and time. It is also the first planetarium around the globe that deploys a fully automatic control system, so you should also check out a tour of the large thematic exhibition halls, namely the Hall of Space Science and the Hall of Astronomy.

Read more about culture in our guide to museums in Hong Kong.

Hong Kong Space Museum, 10 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Hong Kong, p. 2721 0226

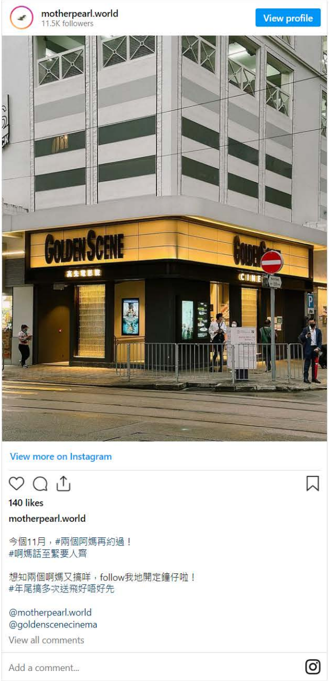
11. Cheung Chau Cinema

Delight in an outdoor screening at the restored Cheung Chau Cinema

One of Hong Kong's oldest pre-war cinemas, Cheung Chau Cinema had thrived as a movie theatre for locals from 1931 to 1997, before being declared a historic building. In August 2023, after extensive restorations and rebuilding, Cheung Chau Cinema reopened as an exciting multicultural hotspot. This 38,000-square-foot space consists of four themed zones that delve into the island's culture and history. Along with interactive exhibitions, the C.C.C. Open Piazza showcases outdoor screenings on its big screen. Promoting up-and-coming directors, students, and local talent, you'll get a cinematic experience reminiscent of yesteryear. Bring your outdoor picnic mat, and grab a cup of sugarcane juice and spicy fish balls from one of the nostalgic food stalls to complete your trip down the memory lane.

Cheung Chau Cinema, 120 San Hing Bak Street, Cheung Chau, Hong Kong, p. 2155 1313

12. Golden Scene Cinema



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Opened in 2021, Golden Scene Cinema is owned by the renowned independent Hong Kong film distribution company Golden Scene Company Limited. Promoting arts and culture through cinema, this place is where you can catch the latest releases as well as curated movie events, retrospective programmes, and film festival picks. Aiming to provide a unique experience that differentiates itself from larger theatres, Golden Scene Cinema has a concession stand serving tea and craft beers from local brands, which makes it one of the best indie cinemas in Hong Kong.

Golden Scene Cinema, 2 Catchick Street, Kennedy Town, Hong Kong, p. 2151 1226

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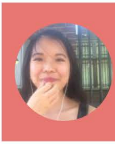

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