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As a strong believer in community outreach, [Benita](#) works and advocates both professionally and personally for social causes with many different organizations. Benita’s skill in collaborating with various stakeholders on important projects and events has built a proven track record working with youth, government, non-profits, and businesses.

Benita completes her overseas studies at Cornell University and has a thorough understanding of students with a diverse background as a recipient of the International Student Award and resident advisor in the Holland International Living Center. She started her professional career in working with differently abled individuals at Outward Bound Hong Kong. More recently, she has been advocating for LGBT+ rights as Director of the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia ([IDAHOT](#)) for [Pink Alliance](#).

She is a frequent speaker on gender equality, life coaching, and human rights. Benita has shared her passion and knowledge by curating and guiding an award-winning [LGBT in the City Walking Tour](#) that explores Hong Kong’s LGBT+ history & culture. Appearing in interviews for NHK World ‘Direct Talk’ and China’s Daily, Benita has furthered the goal of diversity and inclusion within the community as well as promoting effective advocacy and progress. With her science background at Cornell University and commitment to environmental work, she also runs sustainability and citizen science workshops for different organizations.

Some of the women empowerment that Benita has done in both professional and pro bono capacity

2019	<p>Gender Equality SDG events</p> <p>http://encompasshk.com/events/</p> <p>A. “Let’s talk about Gender Equality” with speakers from PwC to talk about “Gender Diversity in HK Financial Services” and HKU professor Aditi Dubey on Sexual harassment (Jan 23)</p> <p>B. 1st Green Women Festival in Hong Kong (March 3, 2019), co-organized with Campfire Hong Kong</p> <p>https://www.greenqueen.com.hk/hong-kongs-first-green-women-festival-celebrates-women-of-all-creeds-backgrounds/</p> <p>C. HK SDG Fashion Revolution Week, co-organized with ReDress (late April, 2019 TBC)</p>	<p>Founder and CEO of EncompassHK, a social enterprise.</p> <p>Encompass HK is a social enterprise that offers training and consultancy services to educate and support organizations to be more diversified and inclusive, including meeting global standards e.g. Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Encompass HK serves the community by supporting different social causes and NGOs financially as well as through a collaborative model while delivering our SDG programs.</p>
2016- 2019	<p>A. Speaker in University and Corporations on gender equality and LGBT+ rights and women empowerment</p> <p>https://coachbenforyouth.com/diversity/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Accenture ➤ Adidas ➤ The Chinese University of Hong Kong ➤ City University of Hong Kong ➤ Community Business ➤ Li Po Chun United World College of Hong Kong ➤ Hong Kong University of Science and Technology 	Curator of LGBT walking tour

	➤ The University of Hong Kong	
2018	Finalist of Community Business Lesbian Inclusion Award https://www.communitybusiness.org/programmes-campaigns/2018-hong-kong-lgbt-inclusion-awards-finalists	LGBT+ Advocate
2018 -2019	Women literacy work a. NuVoices and LA Review of Books China Channel https://nuvoices.com/2018/09/13/hong-kongs-lesbian-spaces-and-the-stories-behind-them/ b. Cha Reading Series event "Stonewall Fifty Years On" https://www.facebook.com/events/508054306349141	Lesbian Writer
2018-2019	Women on Board AIDS Concern Hong Kong https://aidsconcern.org.hk/en/ Pink Alliance https://pinkalliance.hk/	One of two female Board Members out of 10+ Board members