During the summer, seven HKU medical students spent 10 days in Tibet, Cambodia and the Guangxi autonomous region with the Medicins Sans Frontiere (MSF).

In its fourth year, the summer programme, organised by MSF and the University, takes medical students to developing regions and countries to observe MSF’s work.

Our fourth-year medical students visited remote villages in Tibet to help MSF workers distribute chemicals to help villagers to eliminate toxic fungi growing on their crops, which was suspected to cause a little-known bone disease called Kashin-Beck Disease. The disorder, also known as big bone disease, affects an estimated one million people in northwestern China.

Our third and fourth year medical students also visited Guangxi and Cambodia. Students visiting Guangxi observed the outdated medical equipments and treatments and acknowledged that people in Hong Kong are really fortunate in the level of their medical care. In Cambodia, they witnessed the AIDS problems first-hand.

**Public Arts Lectures:**

**Topics in Chinese Art History**

A Series of Five Lectures By James C Y Watt, Brooke Russell Astor Chairman, Department of Asian Art of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York

1. From the Beginning (Monday, November 5, 2001)
2. Art and Ideology (Friday, November 9, 2001)
3. Han and Non-Han (Thursday, November 15, 2001)
4. Space and Form in Chinese Art (Thursday, November 22, 2001)
5. The Art of the Literati (Monday, November 26, 2001)

All lectures begin at 6:15 p.m. in the T.T. Tsui Gallery, University Museum and Art Gallery, The University of Hong Kong. Interested alumni are welcome to attend.