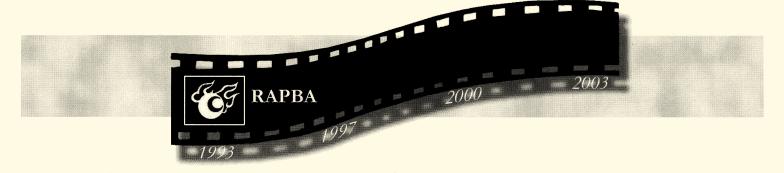


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## Thomas Fung - Fairchild Group (Aberdeen Centre) Outstanding Achievement in Real Estate Investment



Born in Hong Kong and landed in Canada in 1967, Thomas Fung studied business at New York University, and trained at Banque Paribas in Paris, as well as Bears Sterns, ACLI Commodity and Merrill Lynch in Wall Street, New York, which the family had substantial equity interest. Fung also worked ten years in Hong Kong, during which he was involved in banking and securities, film productions, and advertising.

Fung founded the Fairchild Group in 1984 and has successfully built a portfolio of businesses including real estate development and management, retailing, two national ethnic TV stations, five multicultural radio stations across the country, a nation-wide Chinese magazine, and a multilingual e-commence company. An A.C. Neilson Survey indicates the conglomerated media has an extensive reach within the Chinese-speaking

community in Canada, and continues to stretch far overseas.

Fairchild's pioneer real estate project, "Aberdeen Centre in Richmond, British Columbia", commenced in 1990 as the first and largest one stop Asian themed shopping / entertainment mall in North America, which received international media coverage throughout the years, and was rated as one of the "must see" tourist spots in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Built on the success of Aberdeen Centre, the first strata titled retail mall, Parker Place, was subsequently developed by the Group. Since then, Fairchild Group has developed 13 financially successful residential and commercial projects in Canada over the past 15 years including the latest development of the largest "Asian Theme" shopping centre, Pacific Mall, in Toronto.

Recently, the City of Richmond named the area around Aberdeen Centre the "Aberdeen District", in recognition of its success. Aberdeen Centre is currently undergoing its \$110 million shopping mall redevelopment plus a hotel expansion. Special features of the new mall including programmable special-effects light show projecting images and videos on the domed ceiling and a 14-meter long music water fountain at its main atrium. Aberdeen Centre promises to be one of the hottest destinations in North America.

The unique position of the Fairchild Group and its strategies captured the international media attention of the likes of CNN, CNBC, CBS, NHK, Wall Street Journal, Forbes Magazine, etc. They gave positive coverage about the success story of Thomas Fung. Time Magazine has named Fung one of the most influential people in Canada. Business In Vancouver has chosen Fung as one of the top ten business people in the past decade, while Vancouver Magazine has named Fung as one of the people on the power list who call the shots, shape our lives, and rule the city in the year 2002. And lately, Maclean's Magazine has included Fung in "The Most Watch Out" list of 2003.