

Choi Yuen Village

Choi Yuen Village, a small village in the countryside of Hong Kong has become the centre of attention when the Government announces in 2009 that the village will be uprooted to make way for the HK\$70 billion Express Rail Link mega project. Vow to defend their homes and their intimate relation to nature and their land, the villagers line up with the activists, university professors and youngsters to stage one of the largest and most spectacular protests in the history of Hong Kong. The post 80's generation goes on prostrating in the universities and various parts of Hong Kong to manifest their support to Choi Yuen and tens of thousands of citizens surround the Legislative Council 3 times to give pressure to council members to stop the approval of the Express Rail Link budget. Please see :

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CBjhBGYlqMs&feature=video_response

It is now a fact that the villagers must make way to the Express Rail Link by October 2010, we will visit Choi Yuen to appreciate the villagers' alternative way of living and to share their experience and strategy in mobilizing their fellow citizens to fight for their homes, their way of living and democracy.

Departure: 1:15 pm from Lingnan campus

Dismissal: around 4:30 pm at Tsimshatsui, the city centre of Kowloon

Price: HK\$200, including a home cooked specialty lunch prepared by the villagers. Part of the proceeds will be donated to Choi Yuen Village.