



Henry FONG Ping 方平 (1951.9.24–)

Actor, Producer, Director

A native of Puning, Guangdong, Henry Fong Ping was born in Hong Kong. Fong was educated at Pui Kiu Middle School, and enrolled in the actor training programme jointly organised by Great Wall Movie Enterprises Limited, Feng Huang Motion Picture Company and Sun Luen Film Company in 1968. As a trainee, Fong acted in *Three-in-One* (1969) before graduating from the programme and joining Great Wall as a full-time actor. He received his first leading role in *Adventure in Paradise* (1970), going on to star in *Three Seventeens* (1972), Great Wall's first Cantonese film *Romance on the Bus* (1978) and *White Haired Devil Lady* (1980), which was filmed in Huangshan. Fong joined The Movie Stars Arts Troupe organised by Great Wall, Feng Huang and Sun Luen, and performed across southeast Asia in the 1970s.

Fong married actress Nina Paw Hee-ching in 1982, and served as assistant director for the first time for *Kids from Shaolin* (1984). After starring in *Love with the Ghost in Lushan* (1984), Fong shifted his focus to working behind the scenes. In 1987, Fong founded Golden Glory Production, producing *The Story of Hay Bo* (1988) and *Full Moon in New York* (1990). Fong made his directorial debut with *Forsaken Cop* (1990), followed by *Xiu Xiu* (1995). He went on to plan and produce many films, frequently collaborating with Derek Yee and James Yuen Sai-sang on films such as *Lost in Time* (2003), *One Nite in Mongkok* (2004) and *Triple Tap* (2010). Since the 2000s, Fong has produced several co-productions including *Mr. Cinema* (2007), *Overheard* (2009) and *A City Called Macau* (2019).

In addition to his work behind the scenes, Fong has cameoed and guest-starred in over fifty films, often as gang members, merchants or police officers. He appeared in *It's a Mad Mad Mad World Too!* (1992) as a real estate agent and *Infernal Affairs II* (2003) as a mob boss.

Soon after entering the film industry, Fong joined the South China Film Industry Workers Union. Fong joined the Union's board of directors in 1984 and became honorary consultant in 2004.