Dear Friends of a sustainable China:

The first public viewing in western Canada of History Channel's new series, *History Made for Tomorrow*, featuring historical Hakka tulous of southern China and plans for an International Hakka RecoCity, BioSphere & Trail, will be held on Saturday April 30, 2:00-4:00 PM.

We will show the largest Hakka walled Mansion in China, LuoRuiHe (Figs. 1-2), and an unusual, forgotten and abandoned Hakka palace, Yuan Yuan Lou (Figs. 3-5) only rediscovered 2 years ago.

In July 2008, 46 Hakka tulous (earth buildings) in Fujian province China, were designated as UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Round tulous are the most famous, but we have also studied oval, square, rectangular, pentagonal and octagonal tulous, built ~ 769 to 1962, housing up to 1,000 people, usually the same clan, together with their culture, history, ancestors, relics, barns, animals, cottage industry, school, and the ever present courtyard for community events.

Our BioSphere plans to sustainably preserve, upgrade, repopulate and link historic Hakka tulous and weilongs with local natural features also in need of preservation, along an multi-purpose trail in west Fujian, south Jiangxi and east Guangdong provinces, based on:

- best ideas from the urban design of the Toronto Waterfront in 1972-1973 (now "Harbourfront")
- sustainable & EcoPlus projects, large & small, designed & built over the last 35 years
- lessons, research & studies of ancient Chinese & Hakka village architecture/archaeology

The program, focusing on sustainable plans for a Hakka tulou demonstration project, consists of:

1) 2:00-2:30 PM: History Channel's Hakka Tulou video
2) 2:30-2:45 PM: short discussion with Question/Answer period
3) 2:45-3:15 PM: slide PPT on Hakka Architectural Heritage
4) 3:15-4:00 PM: Q & A, discussion & networking

Anyone interested in Hakka architecture, planning, construction, recfits (ecological retrofits), conserver lifestyle, or one of the largest UNESCO World Heritage Sites in China, is welcomed.

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