



# Who is Hong Kong's 'goddess of democracy' Agnes Chow?

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*Agnes Chow, 23, a prominent Hong Kong democracy activist, was jailed on Wednesday for 10 months on charges related to unlawful assembly.*

1. Hailed by some as "the real Mulan," Agnes Chow has emerged \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. As Hong Kong dissent has grown \_\_\_\_\_
- 3-1. Chow made headlines this week \_\_\_\_\_  
3-2. for unlawful assembly \_\_\_\_\_
4. Chow has been politically active since she was 15 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5-1. She played a leading role \_\_\_\_\_  
5-2. striving to secure \_\_\_\_\_
6. Later, Chow emerged as a figurehead of Hong Kong's pro-democracy movement, \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. The trio founded \_\_\_\_\_  
8-1. The party was dissolved hours after Beijing passed \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
8-2. amid fears \_\_\_\_\_
- 9-1. In 2018, Chow was banned \_\_\_\_\_  
9-2. under rules \_\_\_\_\_
- 10-1. Chow said at the time: "Demosisto has never had \_\_\_\_\_  
10-2. but we believe Hong Kong people have the right \_\_\_\_\_
- 11-1. Fluent in Japanese, Chow \_\_\_\_\_  
11-2. where she has been dubbed \_\_\_\_\_

12. Chow also has \_\_\_\_\_

13. Her YouTube channel \_\_\_\_\_

14-1. She featured prominently \_\_\_\_\_

14-2. alongside Wong - who has been jailed for 13 and a half months - and Law, \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

15-1. Chow was arrested in August \_\_\_\_\_

15-2. on suspicion \_\_\_\_\_

### [Vocabulary]

□ **hail**: to say publicly how good or important someone or something is; If a person, event, or achievement is hailed as important or successful, they are praised publicly.

- *He has been hailed as the best centerback in the land.*

- *U.S. magazines hailed her as the greatest rock'n'roll singer in the world.*

□ **Mulan**: a fictional folk heroine from the Northern and Southern dynasties era (4th to 6th century AD) of Chinese history. According to the legend, Mulan takes her aged father's place in the conscription for the army by disguising herself as a man. After prolonged and distinguished military service against nomadic hordes beyond the northern frontier, Mulan is honored by the emperor but declines a position of high office. She retires to her hometown, where she is reunited with her family and reveals her sex, much to the astonishment of her comrades.

□ **emerge**: to become known; If someone or something emerges as a particular thing, they become recognized as that thing.

- *He emerged as a major figure in the reform movement.*

- *Vietnam has emerged as the world's third-biggest rice exporter.*

□ **Agnes Chow**: a Hong Kong politician and social activist. She is the former member of the Standing Committee of Demosisto and former spokesperson of Scholarism. Initially a candidate supported by the pro-democracy camp for the 2018 Hong Kong Island by-election, she was barred from running based on her party's stance on advocating self-determination for Hong Kong.

□ **dissent**: strong disagreement, especially with what people in authority think or with what the majority of people think

- *Political dissent would no longer be tolerated.*

- *I made a gesture of dissent.*

□ **profile**: the public image of a person or organization, and the attention that they get from the public or reporters; Dissent is strong disagreement or dissatisfaction with a decision or opinion, especially one that is supported by most people or by people in authority.

- *The entire marketing team is trying to raise the author's profile.*

- *They admit that the public profile of some of the team members is not good.*

□ **following:** A person or organization that has a following has a group of people who support or admire their beliefs or actions.

- *Australian rugby league enjoys a huge following in New Zealand.*

- *The band still has a very loyal following in Germany.*

□ **Umbrella Movement:** A political movement that emerged during the Hong Kong

democracy protests of 2014. Its name arose from the use of umbrellas as a tool for passive resistance to the Hong Kong Police's use of pepper spray to disperse the crowd during a 79-day occupation of the city demanding more transparent elections, which was sparked by the decision of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress (NPCSC) of 31 August 2014 that prescribed a selective pre-screening of candidates for the 2017 election of Hong Kong's chief executive.

□ **strive:** to make a lot of effort to achieve something

- *He strives hard to keep himself very fit.*

- *The region must now strive for economic development as well as peace.*

□ **suffrage:** the right to vote; the right of people to vote for a government or national leader.

- *He was an advocate of universal suffrage as a basis for social equality.*

- *She was a strong advocate of women's suffrage.*

□ **figurehead:** a leader who has no real power or influence, especially a leader of a political party; If someone is the figurehead of an organization or movement, they are recognized as being its leader, although they have little real power.

- *He's become a figurehead to unite the country and bring people back together.*

- *The Pakistani schoolgirl has become a global figurehead.*

□ **Joshua Wong:** (born 13 October 1996) Secretary-General of Demosisto (10 April 2016 – 30 June 2020) a Hong Kong student activist and politician. He served as secretary-general of the pro-democracy party Demosistō until it disbanded following the implementation of the Hong Kong national security law on 30 June 2020. Wong was previously convener and founder of the Hong Kong student activist group Scholarism.

□ **Nathan Law:** Chairman of Demosisto; In office 10 April 2016 – 16 May 2018: Nathan Law is an activist from Hong Kong. As a former student leader, he has been chairman of the Representative Council of the Lingnan University Students' Union (LUSU), acting president of the LUSU, and secretary-general of the Hong Kong Federation of Students (HKFS). He was one of the student leaders during the 79-day Umbrella Movement in 2014. He is the founding and former chairman of Demosistō, a new political party derived from the 2014 protests.

□ **dissolve:** if a group or organization dissolves, or if someone dissolves it, it stops existing

- *The committee has been dissolved.*

- *The King agreed to dissolve the present commission.*

□ **contentious**: causing disagreement between people or groups; A contentious issue causes a lot of disagreement or arguments.

- *Sanctions are expected to be among the most contentious issues.*
- *...a country where land prices are politically contentious.*

□ **legislation**: a law, or a set of laws; Legislation consists of a law or laws passed by a government.

- *Under current legislation, factories must keep noise to a minimum.*
- *Congress should enact legislation to limit the powers of the police in such cases.*

□ **run**: to try to be elected to an official job or position; If someone runs for office in an election, they take part as a candidate.

- *It was only last February that he announced he would run for president.*
- *In 1864, McClellan ran against Lincoln as the Democratic candidate for president.*

□ **Legislative Council**: the unicameral legislature of certain colonies or dependent territories

□ **by-election**: an election that is held to choose a new member of parliament when a member has resigned or died.

- *His party is not ready for government and has just lost a safe seat in a by-election.*
- *The by-election result will be announced at lunchtime tomorrow.*

□ **curb**: to control or limit something that is harmful

- *...advertisements aimed at curbing the spread of the disease.*
- *He called for energy consumption to be curbed.*

□ **advocacy**: strong public support for something; Someone's advocacy of a particular action or plan is their act of recommending it publicly.

- *I support your advocacy of free trade.*
- *He has been widely criticized for his advocacy of shorter prison sentences.*

□ **self-determination**: the freedom of the people in a country to choose their own government and not be controlled by another country and to choose its own form of government; the power or ability to make a decision for oneself without influence from outside

- *The West saw the issue in simple terms of democracy and self-determination.*
  - *Cutting a particularly dull class or going to the beach with friends on an especially beautiful spring day restores their sense of freedom and self-determination.*
- **traction**: the degree to which a new idea, product, etc. becomes popular or more widely accepted

- *Does this idea have traction with you, Jonathan?*
- *Sadly, plans to ban diesel-engined cars failed to get much traction with the public.*
- **dub:** to give someone or something a particular name or description, often a humorous one
  - *The press have dubbed her “the Silent Star.”*
  - *Critics have dubbed him the new king of rock 'n' roll.*
- **sizable:** fairly large
  - A sizable fortune/ donation/income
- **subscriber:** someone who pays money in order to receive something regularly, for example copies of a newspaper or magazine, or a service; Subscribers to a website or internet channel are people who agree to receive information regularly from it.
  - *He has over a million subscribers to his YouTube channel.*
  - *The company has 2.6 million subscribers to its digital service.*
- **prominently:** with an important role; to a large extent; in a way that can easily be seen or noticed
  - *A photograph of her daughter was prominently displayed on her desk.*
  - *The newspaper featured the apology prominently on page 1.*
- **exile:** a situation in which you are forced to live in a foreign country because you cannot live in your own country, usually for political reasons
  - *During his exile, he also began writing books.*
- **in exile:** taking refuge
  - *He is now living in exile in Egypt.*
  - Even in the darkness of the exile period hopes did not die.
- **collude with:** to plot or conspire with someone or a group; to scheme or conspire with someone or something.
  - *The CEO colluded with the board of directors in the stock scandal.*
  - *The president of the company colluded with his receptionist to conceal all evidence of his crime.*

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