

“Cheers!” Series 2023 to celebrate winter festive season with audiences

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department's "Cheers!" Series 2023 will be held from December to February next year, presenting eight fabulous visiting and local family entertainment programmes that include acrobatics, puppetry, music and theatre, to bring friends and family a heart-warming and fun-filled winter season.

The opening programme will be the Asian premiere of "Passenger" by The 7 Fingers from Canada, which tells the captivating stories of encounters, reunions and goodbyes of travellers in train transit through spectacular acrobatic performances. ALFA Theatre Pilsen from the Czech Republic will make its Hong Kong debut with "Zorro", featuring traditional Czech marionettes with live band music and vocal accompaniment, and retell the legend of a superhero that combines elements of adventure, justice and comedy.

Local puppetry troupes will also present a series of exciting performances in this winter season. Puppet musical "Sweetyland III A Whistle of Dreams" by Make Friends With Puppet tells the story of mischievous twins pursuing their dreams, while "The Whale in the Ground" by Fantasy Puppet Theatre invites children and adults to explore the underground world with Moly, a mole with a passion for archaeology.

Acclaimed "The Snowman & The Bear" will return this winter with live orchestral accompaniment by the City Chamber Orchestra of Hong Kong, storytelling and singing, bringing audiences into a dreamlike, animated world through the big screen. The Hong Kong Oratorio Society will accompany music fans on Christmas Eve, performing a variety of classical Christmas vocal pieces and classic Christmas carols in the "A Christmas of Joy and Peace" concert.

"DO RE MI @ SuperBaby" by Jumbo Kids Theatre is a parent-child musical, in which musical genius Dr M creates a sonic paradise with little offbeat fairies through sounds and rhythms. At the family-oriented dance education theatre "Huh? It's the ant rangers again?!" by Rice Journey Production, the audience will explore how the ants handle different challenges in their journey by following their little footprints.

For programme dates, venues and ticket prices of "Cheers!" Series 2023, please see the Annex. Tickets are now available at URB TIX (www.urbtix.hk). For telephone bookings, please call 3166 1288. Package discounts will be available for ticket purchases with different stage shows in "Cheers!" Series 2023. For programme enquiries and discount schemes, please call 2268 7323 or visit

www.lcsd.gov.hk/CE/CulturalService/Programme/en/f_entertainment/groups_1617.html.