

French romantic comedy “Larger Than Life” to be staged in May

Renowned local theatre director Tang Shu-wing will direct the play "Larger Than Life", a contemporary French comedy brimming with romance and humour during Le French May.

The story revolves around Julien, a middle-aged playboy, who receives a charming female robot named Chloé as a 40th birthday gift from his friend François. Chloé becomes Julien's ideal woman after she is programmed with relevant memories and sentiments. Julien falls in love with her unexpectedly, and everything is going well until she brings up the idea of ... having a baby.

Under the direction of Tang Shu-wing, the cast of "Larger Than Life" includes the famous television actress, Mandy Wong, veteran actor Guthrie Yip and the multi-talented Joe Wong. Together, they will perform a supernatural love story. Artificial intelligence (AI) continues its rapid development. Indeed, the meanings of the interactions between humans and AI may be beyond imagination.

"Larger Than Life" (to be performed in Cantonese with English and French surtitles) is presented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department. The performances will be staged at 8pm on May 13 to 15 (Thursday to Saturday) and at 3pm on May 15 (Saturday) at the Theatre, Hong Kong City Hall. Tickets priced at \$220 to \$420 are now available at URBTIX (www.urbtix.hk). For telephone credit card bookings, please call 2111 5999. For programme enquiries and concessionary schemes, please call 2268 7325 or visit www.lcsd.gov.hk/CE/CulturalService/Programme/en/theatre/programs_1101.html.

A post-performance talk will be held on May 14 (Friday) and after the May 15 (Saturday) matinee. Members of the audience are welcome to stay behind to join.