

Innovative Music Making: MO x e-Orch concert to demonstrate fruits of Learning

The public concert of the Innovative Music Making: MO x e-Orch music-training programme during the 2023/24 academic year will be held at 7.30pm on July 7 (Sunday) at the Concert Hall of Hong Kong City Hall. The programme is organised by the Music Office of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, in collaboration with the Education University of Hong Kong.

Four digital music orchestras (e-Orchs) formed by about 80 students participating in the training programme from the St. Antonius Primary School, Yuen Long Merchants Association Secondary School, Buddhist Ho Nam Kam College and Hennessy Road Government Primary School (Causeway Bay), will showcase their original collaborative multimedia works at the concert. They will also collaborate with the wind and choral ensembles of the Music Office to perform original and arranged works. Musicians from the e-Orch@EdUHK Music Innovation and Design Lab will also be invited to present their original works at the concert in a performance combining music and technology. Various awards and certificates of attendance will also be presented to participating students at the concert as encouragement.

Highlights include world premieres of local composers Wat Nga-man ("The Night Traveler") and Lau Hiu-lam ("The Midnight Serenade"), which are commissioned by the Music Office with sponsorship from the CASH (Composers and Authors Society of Hong Kong) Music Fund. Other highlights include rearrangements of Brahms's "Hungarian Dance No. 5" and Gershwin's "Swanee" by Lau and Wat respectively.

To promote the integration of music and technology on school campuses, the Music Office launched the first Innovative Music Making: MO x e-Orch music training programme in 2022 for students of participating primary and secondary schools to form e-Orchs and learn musical knowledge and music creation with the use of tablets.

Tickets priced at \$60 are now available at URB TIX (www.urbtix.hk). For telephone bookings, please call 3166 1288. For programme enquiries and concessionary schemes, please call 2158 6467 or 3842 7776 or visit www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/mo/activities/schoolprogrammes/arttech/24art/2024imm.html.