

“Jazz Classics – Let’s Listen, Let’s Jam!” lecture demonstration to be held in July

The "Jazz Up" Series: "Jazz Classics – Let's Listen, Let's Jam!" Vol. 3 will be held in July, featuring local jazz guitarist Alan Kwan. In these lectures, Kwan will be joined by guest speakers, featuring enlightening dialogue and live demonstrations.

Each lecture will focus on one of the world's jazz gurus, including Oscar Peterson, Kurt Rosenwinkel, Charlie Haden and Miles Davis. Audiences will learn about their life stories, gather interesting anecdotes and appreciate the classic music that they have created. Going further, Kwan and his guest speakers will analyse the different style characteristics of the jazz masters, their stage personas and their influence on the modern jazz world.

Kwan studied and developed a career in jazz music in New York, and is currently a jazz guitarist, composer and producer. He has performed with a number of well-known jazz musicians including Dayna Stephens, Fabian Almazan, Paul Bollenback, and the Grammy Award nominee, Gene Aitken. He has participated in many gala festivals such as the Taichung Jazz Festival (main stage), the Taipei Jazz Festival (main stage), the Hong Kong International Jazz Festival and the Denton Arts and Jazz Festival, etc. Kwan released the critically acclaimed album "Petrichor" in 2019, featuring his original songs played by musicians all over the world, receiving three nominations for the 31st Golden Melody Awards (Best Album, Best Album Producer, and Best Composition for Instrumental Category).

The lectures will be conducted in Cantonese. Details are as follows:

Lecture 1: July 7 (Wednesday) 7.30pm

Topic: Oscar Peterson, Canadian jazz pianist, virtuoso and composer

Guest speaker: Joyce Cheung (piano)

Lecture 2: July 14 (Wednesday) 7.30pm

Topic: Kurt Rosenwinkel, active American jazz guitarist

Guest speaker: Teriver Cheung (guitar)

Lecture 3: July 21 (Wednesday) 7.30pm

Topic: Charlie Haden, American jazz double bass player, bandleader, composer and educator

Guest speaker: Lui Ngao-yuen (double bass)

Lecture 4: July 28 (Wednesday) 7.30pm

Topic: Miles Davis, American jazz trumpeter, bandleader and composer

Guest speaker: Dr Wong Chi-chung (radio DJ)

Presented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, "Jazz Up" Series: "Jazz Classics – Let's Listen, Let's Jam!" Vol. 3 lecture demonstration will be held at the Lecture Hall, Hong Kong Space Museum. Tickets priced at \$80 for each lecture are now available at URBTIX (www.urbtix.hk).

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