

LCSD "Music Delight" Series to showcase singing power of Naturally 7 and SENZA A Cappella

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD)'s "Music Delight" Series will present the programme "Naturally 7 (concert screening) with live demonstration by SENZA A Cappella" in December as this year's series finale. Featuring the screening of a recorded concert by Naturally 7, a renowned American a cappella group, held in Germany in November, the programme will have local vocal band SENZA A Cappella as the guest performer to give a live demonstration and interact with Naturally 7 virtually through the screen to enchant the audience with an extraordinary vocal performance.

In the concert in Germany, Naturally 7 showcased its members' unique "vocal play" techniques. Using no actual musical instruments and instead creating an intriguing combination of pristine a cappella harmonies and vocal instruments "played" by each of the group members, the group performed original pieces and popular tunes with members' unique abilities to create distinct harmony arrangements, offering a brand-new musical experience to the audience.

Founded in 1999 by brothers Roger and Warren Thomas with five other singers, Naturally 7 has recorded a number of albums and singles over the years, including two top-10 singles on Billboard's US Smooth Jazz charts in 2015. The group has displayed its talent at major jazz festivals, including the Montreux Jazz Festival and the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival.

Founded by five young talents in 2009, SENZA A Cappella has strived to promote a cappella singing through posting cover songs on the Internet since its establishment, accumulating over 7.5 million hits. The band officially debuted in 2018 and became the first a cappella group to establish a presence in the mainstream music scene in Hong Kong. The band was the only Hong Kong group to receive nominations in 2020 for "Best Original Music of the Year" and "Best Music Video of the Year" at the Beehive Awards, and it has released its debut album and performed two concerts this year.

"Music Delight" Series: "Naturally 7 (concert screening) with live demonstration by SENZA A Cappella" will take place at 8pm on December 17 (Friday) at the Auditorium of Sha Tin Town Hall. Tickets priced at \$100, \$140 and \$200 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 7321 or visit www.lcsd.gov.hk/CE/CulturalService/Programme/en/music/programs_1241.html.

All persons will be required to use the "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile application to scan the venue QR code before they are allowed to enter LCSD offices and venues, except for exempted persons who are aged below 12 or aged

65 or above and those with disabilities that render use of the app difficult. Exemptions will also be granted to individual persons depending on the actual circumstances. All exempted persons are required to complete a record form to register their personal particulars and the date and time of their visits. As it will take time to verify personal particulars of exempted persons under the new arrangement, their waiting time for using public services or entering the relevant venues may be lengthened. The LCSD suggests members of the public to arrive early and appeals for their understanding. The department also encourages the exempted persons to use the app as far as possible to save time.