LCSD's "Hong Kong Artists" Series to showcase local art talents (with photos)

The "Hong Kong Artists" Series 2025, presented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD), will launch six brilliant programmes featuring 10 distinguished local artists skilled in violin, piano, cello, guzheng and vocal arts. Among them, a cross-genre performance of music and painting will be staged to showcase Hong Kong's unique cultural character, embracing diversity and innovation. Tickets will be available for purchase starting at 10am next Thursday (March 27).

Brief introductions of the programmes are as follows:

"Soundscape Impressions"

Date and time: May 10 (Saturday), 8pm

Venue: Studio Theatre, Hong Kong Cultural Centre

Ticket prices: \$240 and \$320

Curated by renowned pianist Colleen Lee and watercolour artist Fu Manyat, this cross-genre arts programme presents works of French composers Debussy, Saint-Saëns and Ravel. Lee, together with three vibrant musicians — Aaron Chan (violin), Letty Poon (cello) and Rhythmie Wong (piano) — will perform alongside Fu's paintings. The concert features interactions between painting and music, enabling the audience to experience the commonalities between the two art forms.

Violin Recital by Nina Wong

Date and time: June 11 (Wednesday), 8pm Venue: Theatre, Hong Kong City Hall

Ticket prices: \$200 and \$240

Emerging violinist Nina Wong pursued her studies at the Bard College Conservatory of Music in New York, the United States. In this recital, young pianist Shelley Ng will join her to present a programme of works by renowned composers Bach, Strauss, Piazzolla and more, showcasing virtuoso finesse.

Piano Recital by Anson Wong

Date and time: July 4 (Friday), 8pm Venue: Theatre, Hong Kong City Hall

Ticket prices: \$200 and \$240

Rising pianist Anson Wong was awarded the grand prize at the International Music Competition of Hong Kong Generation Next Arts in 2021. He will offer audiences a delightful evening featuring works by JanáÄ@ek,

Schubert (transcription by Liszt), Beethoven and Schumann, as well as Wong's transcription of adagietto from Mahler's "Symphony No. 5".

Cello Recital by Alex Lau

Date and time: September 9 (Tuesday), 8pm

Venue: Theatre, Hong Kong City Hall

Ticket prices: \$200 and \$240

Emerging young cellist Alex Lau makes frequent appearances on the music scene in America, Europe and Asia. He will be accompanied by Japanese pianist Naoko Sonoda to perform works by Beethoven, Brahms, Ligeti, Prokofiev and more to embark on a musical journey that spans 200 years.

Vocal Recital by Viola Cheung

Date and time: November 13 (Thursday), 8pm

Venue: Theatre, Hong Kong City Hall

Ticket prices: \$200 and \$240

With an extended vocal range and timber, soprano Viola Cheung has been invited to perform different roles in operas and to sing solo and ensemble works around the world in recent years. She will be accompanied by pianist Leona Cheung to present a programme featuring classical operatic works and contemporary music pieces.

Guzheng Recital by Grammy Yeung

Date and time: December 1 (Monday), $\ensuremath{\mathsf{8pm}}$

Venue: Theatre, Hong Kong City Hall

Ticket prices: \$200 and \$240

Young guzheng player Grammy Yeung, who has been invited to give solo performance at different venues, will collaborate with multiple Chinese and western music players, showcasing classical and contemporary guzheng pieces, as well as a newly commissioned composition by local composer Chan Hing-yan, highlighting the multifaceted nature of guzheng with both traditional Chinese aesthetics and innovation.

Tickets of the above-mentioned programmes will be available from March 27 (Thursday) onwards at URBTIX (www.urbtix.hk). For telephone bookings, please call 3166 1288. Package discounts will be available for ticket purchases with different programmes in the "Hong Kong Artists" Series in 2025. For programme enquiries and discount schemes, please call 2268 7321 or visit www.lcsd.gov.hk/CE/CulturalService/Programme/en/music/groups 1823.html.

The "Hong Kong Artists" Series aims to provide a platform for local artists to showcase their remarkable talents. In addition to individual performances, it also encourages cross-genre works to highlight their unique styles. For more information, please visit the above-mentioned website.











