

Young music campers to showcase musical achievements in concerts

More than 400 young musicians and choristers who participated in the 2018 Hong Kong Youth Music Camp will perform Chinese and Western music pieces in two concerts to be held in July to showcase their musical achievements.

Presented by the Music Office of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, the 2018 Hong Kong Youth Music Camp Concerts will be held at 3pm on July 22 and 29 at the Concert Halls of the Hong Kong Cultural Centre and the Hong Kong City Hall respectively. The concerts will be conducted by internationally acclaimed maestros and are part of the summer programme International Arts Carnival 2018.

The first concert will be performed by the camp's Children's Choir, Junior String Orchestra and Chinese Orchestra. Highlights of the programme will include the choral piece "My Favourite Things" from "The Sound of Music", and a dynamic strings' repertoire of the gypsy spirit "Capriccio Espagnol". The conductors will be the Resident Conductor of the Macao Chinese Orchestra and Head of the Teaching-Research Section for Ensemble and Artistic Direction, Shenyang Conservatory of Music, Sun Peng; the Music Director of the Missouri Symphony Orchestra and the Music Director of the Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra (United States), Kirk Trevor; and the Founder and Director Emerita of Syracuse Children's Choir and the former Professor of Choral Music Education, Syracuse University (United States), Dr Barbara Tagg. The concert will also feature Law Wai-lun and Cheng Chai-man's "The Legend of the White Snake" (Dizi Concerto), to be performed by celebrated dizi performer Sun Yongzhi in collaboration with the camp's Chinese Orchestra.

The second concert will be conducted by the renowned symphonic and operatic conductor and Guest Conductor of the Metropolitan Opera (United States), Paul Nadler; the Resident Conductor of the Shanghai Chinese Orchestra, Peng Fei; and renowned Taiwanese conductor and clarinetist, Lin Shih-wei. Under their batons, the camp's Junior Chinese Orchestra, Junior Symphonic Band, and Symphony Orchestra will perform music pieces including local favourite "Selections from Tales of the Walled City" by Chen Ning-chi; Japanese composer Masanori Taruya's fascinating band repertoire "Tears of the Princess Kushinada Flowing in Hii", and the mesmerising orchestral classic "Romeo and Juliet Fantasy Overture" by Tchaikovsky.

The Hong Kong Youth Music Camp is a major annual summer activity of the Music Office which provides intensive training to musicians in a scenic campsite setting. Participants can also enjoy recreational and sports facilities at the camp.

Tickets for the concerts priced at \$50, \$70 and \$90 are now available at URBIX (www.urbtix.hk). For telephone credit card bookings, please call 2111 5999. For programme enquiries and concessionary schemes, please call 2796

1003 or 2582 5311 or visit

www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/mo/activities/upcoming/2018hkymcc.html.

Meetings of Legislative Council and its Committees

The following is issued on behalf of the Legislative Council Secretariat:

The Legislative Council (LegCo) and its Committees will hold 11 open meetings during the week from July 2 to 7 in the LegCo Complex. Details of the meetings are available in the meeting schedule attached.

The information in the meeting schedule is subject to change. Please refer to the "LegCo Calendar" on the LegCo Website (www.legco.gov.hk) for the latest details of meetings.

Members of the public are welcome to observe open meetings of LegCo and its Committees. Interested individuals and groups are advised to make advance booking of seats by calling the LegCo Secretariat at 3919 3399 during office hours. Members of the public can also listen to or watch all open meetings via the "Webcast" system on the LegCo Website.

Import of poultry meat and products from Vordingborg Municipality of Denmark suspended

The Centre for Food Safety (CFS) of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department announced today (June 29) that in view of a notification from the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) about an outbreak of low-pathogenic H5 avian influenza in the Vordingborg Municipality of Denmark, the CFS has instructed the trade to suspend the import of poultry meat and products, including poultry eggs, from the area with immediate effect to protect public health in Hong Kong.

A CFS spokesman said that Hong Kong imported about 388 tonnes of frozen poultry meat and 280 000 poultry eggs from Denmark in the first three months of this year.

"The CFS has contacted the Danish authorities over the issue and will

closely monitor information issued by the OIE on avian influenza outbreaks. Appropriate action will be taken in response to the development of the situation," the spokesman said.

Communications Authority press release

The following is issued on behalf of the Communications Authority:

This press release summarises the decision of the Communications Authority (CA) following its 76th meeting held in June 2018:

Broadcast Complaints

The CA considered a complaint case involving two television programmes of Television Broadcasts Limited (TVB), namely, "News Report" broadcast on the I News Channel (renamed as TVB News Channel with effect from August 2017) on December 12, 2016, and "News at 6:30" broadcast on the Jade Channel on February 20, 2017. The CA decided that TVB should be advised to observe more closely the relevant provision in the Generic Code of Practice on Television Programme Standards. Details of the case are at:
www.coms-auth.hk/filemanager/en/content_713/appx_20180629_en.pdf.

CHP investigates case of severe paediatric enterovirus infection

The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health is today (June 29) investigating a case of severe paediatric enterovirus (EV) infection, and again urged the public and institutions to maintain strict hand, personal and environmental hygiene.

The case involves a 1-month-old baby boy with good past health, who has presented with fever since June 21. He is staying at Kwong Wah Hospital in a stable condition.

His cerebrospinal fluid specimen tested positive for EV upon laboratory testing. The clinical diagnosis was meningitis.

Initial enquiries revealed that the patient had no recent travel

history. His mother had upper respiratory tract infection symptoms recently and is in a stable condition. His father was asymptomatic. Investigations are ongoing.

A spokesman for the CHP said that as EV infection is transmitted by direct contact with nose and throat discharges, the public should be vigilant and observe the following preventive measures:

- Wash hands before eating and after going to the toilet and changing diapers;
- Cover the mouth and nose when coughing and sneezing;
- Maintain good ventilation; and
- Thoroughly clean toys or appliances which are contaminated by nasal or oral secretions.

Children suffering from EV infection should stay at home and avoid contact with other children until they have recovered.

The public may visit the CHP's page on [hand, foot and mouth disease and EV71 infection](#) for more information.