

MUSIC OFFICE YOUTH CHOIR

Germany Tour





Music Office International Youth Music Exchange Programme

Established in October 1977, the Music Office strives to promote knowledge and appreciation of music in the community, especially among young people, through the provision of instrumental and ensemble training, and the organization of various music activities with a view to building a new generation of concert audiences. It has come under the management of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region since January 2000. At present, it provides music training to more than 8,000 trainees and attracts about 170,000 participants to its music promotional activities each year.

In addition to the above activities, the Music Office organizes music exchange concerts and community performances by visiting youth music groups from around the world and sends its advanced level orchestras, bands, or choirs on concert tours abroad to foster international cultural exchange and to widen the horizon of local young musicians. Since 1978, young musicians trained by the Music Office have toured Singapore, Malaysia, Japan, Korea, the USA, Canada, Australia, Italy, France, the UK, Israel, Austria, Czech, Russia, China and Taiwan. In recent years, youth music groups from Japan, the USA, the UK, Germany, Canada, Singapore, and China have visited Hong Kong and participated in the cultural exchange programmes organized by the Music Office.



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Music Office Youth Choir

The Music Office Youth Choir, one of 19 youth music ensembles trained and managed by the Music Office, was established in 1980. With a repertoire that spans from sacred to secular, classical to popular, and Chinese to Western, the Choir has performed regularly in local concerts and collaborated with many visiting music groups, among which are the Kagoshima Senior High School Choir and Prunus Female Choir from Japan, College of Saint Benedict-Saint John's University Choral Arts Ensemble and Pittsburgh Youth Symphony Orchestra from the USA, The Chieftains from Ireland and the reputed Bach Choir from the UK.

Embarking on its first overseas tour to Malaysia and Singapore in 1997, the Music Office Youth Choir next visited Kagoshima, Japan in 2002, where their performances under the auspices of the Kagoshima Prefectural Government were met with critical acclaim. The Choir has since participated in three overseas choral festivals, with encouraging results attained in each: two gold diplomas and a Category Winner and Jury Award at the 2009 A Voyage of Songs International Choral Festival in Penang; two gold diplomas and a category winner award at the 2014 Sing n Joy Vienna - 29th International Schubert Choir Competition and three gold awards and two category winner awards at the 2016 Singapore International Choral Festival. With a total of 70 members between the age of 14 and 25, the Music Office Youth Choir is trained by Dr. Angelina Au.



Conductor

Dr. Angelina Au

Dr. Angelina Au received her early musical training in Hong Kong, and was later awarded an Institute of International Education Scholarship to further her studies in the USA. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Hollins College, a Master of Music degree from the University of Miami, and a



Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the College-Conservatory of Cincinnati. In addition to appearances as solo and collaborative pianist in vocal and instrumental recitals, Dr. Au is also an accomplished singer with extensive experience in solo and choral singing.

Dr. Au is currently Senior Music Officer of the Musicianship/ Training Support Section of the Music Office, where her responsibilities include overseeing the organization of choral and musicianship training programmes, and the co-ordination and provision of support for the Instrumental Music Training Scheme.



Piano Accompanist

Yau Man-ching

Yau Man-ching graduated from the Music Department of Hong Kong Baptist University, where she studied piano with the renowned composer-pianist Mr. Cui Shi-guang, and received her vocal training from Ms. Jeffie Leung. Since then, Yau has remained an active performer and made frequent



appearances in concerts as pianist, vocalist and chamber musician.

Yau is currently on the teaching staff of the Music Office, where in addition to her musicianship, theory and aural teaching duties, she has also served as conductor and manager of the Music Office Children's Choir and accompanist and manager of the Music Office Youth Choir



Tour Itinerary

2.7.2019 (Tue)

Departure from Hong Kong to Hannover, Germany

3.7.2019 (Wed)

- Music Visit to Marktkirche Hannover
- · Transfer from Hannover to Wernigerode
- Performance at the 11th International Johannes Brahms Choir Festival And Competition Opening Concert

4.7.2019 (Thur)

- The 11th International Johannes Brahms Choir Festival Competition – Category G3: Youth Mixed Voices
- Festival Choir Parade
- The 11th International Johannes Brahms Choir Festival And Competition Opening Ceremony

5.7.2019 (Fri)

- Attendance of Festival Competitions
- · Performance at Festival Friendship Concert
- Cultural Visits

6.7.2019 (Sat)

- The 11th International Johannes Brahms Choir Festival Competition – Category B2: Equal Voices
- The 11th International Johannes Brahms Choir Festival Grand Prize Competition
- The 11th International Johannes Brahms Choir Festival And Competition Award Ceremony and Choir Party

7.7.2019 (Sun)

- The 11th International Johannes Brahms Choir Festival And Competition Closing Concert
- · Transfer from Wernigerode to Hannover
- Departure from Hannover to Hong Kong

8.7.2019 (Mon)

Arrival in Hong Kong

Tour Repertoire

From the Classical Tradition

Weelkes
Lotti
ten Bach
Haydn
Mendelssohn
Mendelssohn
Brahms
Faure

Contemporary Creations

Xiu He Bao (Purse Embroidering)	arr. Liu
Tundra	Gjeilo
Tell My Father	arr. Ramsey
Show-Down	Davison
Libertango	arr. Escalada
Precious Lord	arr. Sevier
Unclouded Day	arr. Kirchner
I Love You/ What a Wonderful World	arr. Johnson

Tour Members' List

Sopranos

- # Lam Chung-yan, Michelle
- * Chan Wing-yi
- * Lam Oi-van

Cheng Hoi-man

Cheng Yee-shan

Chu Hoi-lina

Chui Hiu-tung

Koo Kit-van

Lam Hoi-ching

Leung Nga-yu

Li Lok-tuna

Ng Cheuk-wun

Na Tsz-van

To Pui-ching, Phoebe

Tsang Hoi-yi

Tsang Man-yuk, Tiffany

Wong Chui-yan

Wong Ka-wai

Wong Pui-ga

Wong Yu-yan

Yuen Yi-wing

Tenors

- # Kwok Tsun-ki, Alfred
- * Lee Chun-hei
- * Mok Wai-nam

Chau Chak-pui

Cheng Hong-chun

Cheng Long-ching, Cyrus

Fung Tsz-him

lun Ho-nina

Lam Pak-hei

Tang Ho-vin

Tsui Ka-ho

Wong Kin-man

Wong Kin-nam

Altos

- # Lo Wing-sheung
- * Fan Ching-wan
- * Lau Man-yin

Chan Hiu-yan

Chan Mei-yi, Connie

Chan Tsz-ving

Cheng Long-yuet

Cheuna Tin-vi

Chiang Ka-li

Chiu Ho-van

Hon Wai-kei

Holl Wal-kei

Kan Ka-man

Lee Wai-lai

Leung Kit-ying

Lui Ka-wai, Joyce

Mak Chi-fung

Ngai Chi-shun

Poon Ching-hang

Wan Yuet-vi

Wong Chi-van

Wong Ching-vi, Karen

Yu Oi-ling, Clementine

Basses

- # Kung Leong-hoi
- * Chan Chun-lok
- * Wong Ka-tsun

Chan Man-chun

Chow Ho-chit, Savio

Chung Sheung-hang, Edmund

Lee Chun-lok

Leung Cheuk-hei

Leung Sheung-hang

Lui Man-him

Tam Tsz-chun

Yu Tuna-leona

Assistant part-leader

[#] Part-leader



Tour Manager

Jackie Lee

Choir Manager Lai Wing-yan

Piano Accompanist/ Assistant Choir Manager
Yau Man-ching



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