

音樂薈萃·學校室樂 (1) (作

2021

School Chamber Compositions

日期 Date : 2021年4月21日(星期三) 21 April 2021 (Wednesday)

時間 Time : 下午七時三十分 7:30 p.m.

地點 Venue : 牛池灣文娛中心劇院 Theatre, Ngau Chi Wan Civic Centre

I. 傑出音樂作品首演 Premiere of Outstanding Compositions

<u>學生 Student</u> 作品名稱 Composition Title 學校 School

李學如 Walking out of Fear 民生書院

LEE Hok-yu Munsang College

李晴 The Beautiful Sunrise 香港華人基督教聯會真道書院 LEE Ching, James HKCCCU Logos Academy

評判回饋 Feedback from Adjudicator

SEE Cheuk-yan Afterglow Belilios Public School

梁啟新 Bloodshed 民生書院

LEUNG Kai-sun Munsang College

評判回饋 Feedback from Adjudicator

張沛溢 聖士提反書院

CHEUNG Pui-yat, Marcus Evocation St Stephen's College

李晉顥 Contagious 英華書院

LEE Chun-ho Ying Wa College

評判回饋 Feedback from Adjudicator

-------中場休息 Intermission

楊智行 Moonlit Stream 皇仁書院

YEUNG Chi-hang, Leo Queen's College

馬肇煒
秋天的素描
香港培正中學

MA Siu-wai, Mason An Autumn Sketch, Op. 61 Pui Ching Middle School

評判回饋 Feedback from Adjudicator

Ⅱ. 香港作曲家聯會導師計劃學生作品首演

Premiere of Students' Compositions under Hong Kong Composers' Guild Mentorship Scheme

學生 Student	作品名稱 Composition Title	<u>學校 School</u>
工香		庇理羅十女子は

The Reed WONG Bonnie Belilios Public School

陳諾賢 UP 民生書院

CHAN Nok-yin Munsang College

前言 Foreword

Welcome to the Premiere Concert of GalaMusica · School Chamber Compositions 2021. Being a major activity of the GalaMusica series, "School Chamber Compositions" aims to provide secondary school students with opportunities to showcase their original compositions and learn from each other. In the concert, professional performers will perform the students' works, while experienced composers arranged by the Hong Kong Composers' Guild (HKCG) will participate in the adjudication and provide valuable comments to the student composers.

In the annual GalaMusica event, outstanding students are selected to participate in the HKCG Mentorship Scheme. Each selected student will compose music under the supervision of an experienced composer. Throughout the years, this scheme has enlightened many students to pursue further studies in music, whose talents have made them valuable assets for the cultural development of Hong Kong.

The Government has been advocating the development of arts and culture for years. While our society is paying an increasing attention to music and arts education, there will definitely be more opportunities in the future for students to stretch their potential and display music talents.

I wish the premiere concert a great success, and I look forward to seeing you all on stage again in the near future.

Dr Eton Kung
Chief Curriculum Development Officer (Arts Education)

作品介紹 Programme Notes

Walking out of Fear for erhu, viola and piano

LEE Hok-yu

This piece is written in minor key to portray the emotion of fear. The theme appears twice at the beginning and recaps at the end. It signifies that we may encounter fear anytime in our life and it is often unpredictable. The piano plays the harmony of intense feeling with thick texture, serving as the backbone of the piece. The call and response between *erhu* and viola brings frequent changes in dynamics. Everyone has fear. Escape is just the way to a dead end. To overcome it, one is to confront it, and trust in faith.

The Beautiful Sunrise for dizi, piano, vibraphone and cymbal

LEE Ching, James

The piece is written in the structure of "verse 1 > pre-chorus 1 > chorus > verse 2 > pre-chorus 2 > chorus > coda". It depicts the glamour of sunrise with dreamy colourful clouds in the sky and shiny beams of radiant light reflected by the peaceful wave of the lake. In the chorus, the low register of the piano accompanies the stunning view.

Afterglow for *gaohu*, clarinet, violin and piano

SEE Cheuk-yan

"Afterglow", the sunset, is inspired by two pictures seen on the Internet. It shows the emotional transition from the darker "murmuring" to the brighter "happiness" of oneself. The composition starts in minor key portraying the sadness and loneliness in response to the first picture. The clarinet solo plays the introduction as a soliloquy leading to the peaceful first theme. *Gaohu* and violin then play interlocking quavers and triplets in the melody and the accompaniment to create an intense mood. The first theme reappears with the clarinet and the *gaohu*, together with the countermelody played by the violin, illustrating the emergence of thoughts by the upward and downward motions of the melody. The clarinet solo interacts with the piano gracefully, and pizzicatos are used to create a contented mood that lead the piece to an end.

Bloodshed for *dizi*, *erhu*, bass clarinet, viola, piano and bass drum

LEUNG Kai-sun

The increasing tension among countries hints us that war may break out sooner or later. The piece is a call for peace, unity, respect and harmony, to appeal for the prevention of bloodshed. Written in A-B-A' form, the piece begins with a young child having fun with friends, illustrated by the *erhu* imitating the pentatonic melody of the *dizi*. Introduced by the bass drum, war is approaching. The war then breaks out with the motif on *erhu*. With the bursting of cannons imitated by the bass drum, three different motifs played by bass clarinet, viola and piano signify the chaos and mayhem in the battlefield. Represented by the whole tone scale, the child faints in the grave miserably. The original pentatonic melody returns in minor key and ends with Picardy 3rd symbolising the hope for peace.

Evocation for *erhu*, clarinet, violin, piano and bass drum

CHEUNG Pui-yat, Marcus

The piece portrays the present world situation, like a dystopian society which is full of wars and chaos. The reminiscence of peace and calmness in memories sparks joy, creating a sharp contrast between now and then. Utopia and the dream of peace only exist in one's imagination. The musical elements of the piece are organised for conveying the mood and atmosphere, and three distinct motifs are played with imitations throughout the piece.

Contagious for dizi, erhu, clarinet, violin, piano and percussions

LEE Chun-ho

"Contagious" is written during the COVID-19 pandemic, which affects almost everyone on the planet earth. The opening glockenspiel solo symbolises the loneliness during the quarantine. The theme is played in canon by different instruments, mimicking the virus being widely spread in the community. The quieter middle section signifies the disappointment caused by the cancellation of many planned events. The piece ends in major key, wishing people still be able to enjoy music during the hard time and hoping everything return to normal soon.

Moonlit Stream for dizi, violin and piano

YEUNG Chi-hang, Leo

This piece is written in verse-chorus form, portraying a gentle stream lit created by the mellow moonlight. *Dizi* and violin play the themes in turn, and juxtapose with fill-ins to thicken the texture for intense feeling. Similar rhythmic patterns being gradually played by the two instruments which means different streams joining together. In the second verse, *dizi* and violin play the previous fill-ins with similar melodic contour. The piano plays steady quavers that symbolises the gentle flow of water. The changes in dynamics portray the vigor and calmness of the stream. The piece is a fusion of western and Chinese music styles, in which the violin and the piano employ the diatonic scale with borrowed chords, while the *dizi* employs pentatonic scale with modulation.

An Autumn Sketch, Op. 61 for dizi, bass clarinet, violin and piano MA Siu-wai, Mason

This piece depicts a pastoral scene in autumn, where peasants enjoy the harvest season and peaceful aura in the far Oriental region, a place where no one has ever visited, nor anyone has left there. The opening piano arpeggios represent the autumn zephyr blowing lightly in the yellow-leaved forest. Fishermen paddle the rafts gently on the placid streams when returning from fishing in the lagoon. The *dizi* represents the birds chirping on the branches, and leads to modulation on the piano, symbolising the ode to nature. The piano cadenza portrays the breeze nourishing the land, leading to the jubilant middle section. The violin imitates a chant sung by the farmers celebrating their harvest. In the end, *dizi* and bass clarinet lead the music back to the pastoral scene, then the region fades into oblivion.

The Reed for flute, oboe, vibraphone, contrabass and piano

WONG Bonnie

This piece captures the mood of the poem taken from the Book of Songs (詩經) and it is written in Impressionistic style to depict the romance and loneliness of the dawn. The duet by piano and vibraphone represents the appearance of the protagonist in the poem, with frequent uses of pedals that creates a dewy feeling. The double bass imitates several calls of a wild goose, creating a sense of desolation in autumn. The fast passages feature the poet's excitement of meeting the protagonist. "Her" vivid image is also represented by a short tonal passage in minor key. The weakening tonal sense symbolises the poet losing sight of "her", and a sudden pause expresses the disappointment of losing "her" forever.

[This composition was completed under the guidance of experienced composer Ms LI Kar-yee.]

UP for flute, clarinet, horn, violin and cello

CHAN Nok-yin

Inspired by the movie "UP", the piece describes a person striving to step out of the comfort zone. The first section begins with a violin motif, followed by another 3-note motif with an octave leap on the flute. The major tonality signifies the routine daily life. The tutti diminuendo marks the person moving away from the comfort zone. The modulation from major key to Phrygian mode represents the person facing new challenges. The motifs are developed in the second section, and the music modulates again, representing the hardship ahead. A sustained minor 7th chord at the third section symbolises the start of a new chapter in life. Finally, the beginning motif recaps and modulates back to major key, imitating the nostalgia of the past. The ending passage is a metaphor for the endless life cycle.

[This composition was completed under the guidance of experienced composer Ms NG Hau-yee Poly.]

Adjudicators 評判

Dr MUI Kwong-chiu 梅廣釗博士 Dr HUNG Ming-kin, Christopher 洪銘健博士 Dr LEUNG Chi-hin 梁智軒博士 Dr NG Chun-hoi, Daniel 吳俊凱博士

Performers 演奏家

for Outstanding Compositions 傑出音樂作品

Mr CHAN Chi-chun Dizi 陳子晉先生 笛子

Ms CHAN Pik-sum Erhu/Gaohu 陳璧沁小姐 二胡/高胡

Mr CHOY Kwok-tin, Martin Clarinet/Bass Clarinet 蔡國田先生 單簧管/低音單簧管

Mr CHOY Lap-takPercussion蔡立德先生敲擊Mr WONG AlexanderPiano黃歷琛先生鋼琴

Mr WU Kiu-lap Violin/Viola 胡喬立先生 小提琴/中提琴

for Students' Compositions under HKCG Mentorship Scheme 香港作曲家聯會導師計劃學生作品

Ms AU Emas Piano 歐惠雯小姐 鋼琴 Mr CHAN Cheong-lung Violin 陳昌隆先生 小提琴 Mr CHENG Wing-kin, Henry Oboe 鄭永健先生 雙簧管 Ms LAM Pui-yee, Theresa Clarinet 林佩頤小姐 單筆管 Mr LEE Yi-wei, Angus Flute 李一葦先生 長笛 French Horn Mr PAW Man-hing, Hermann 包文慶先生 圓號 Cello 潘澤然先生 Mr PUN Chak-yin 大提琴 Mr VONG Wai-man, Raymond 王偉文先生 Vibraphone 顫音鋼片琴 Mr WONG Chiu-yu **Double Bass** 黃照宇先生 低音大提琴

Awards 獎項

Outstanding Composition Award 傑出音樂作品獎 Performers' Adjudication Award 演奏家評選獎

Best Chinese Instrumental Writing Award 最佳中國器樂寫作獎

Best Creative Ideas Award 最佳意念獎

教育局 Education Bureau Co-organised by: 協辦:



Sponsored by:

贊助:

