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Christmas Concert in the Park

The Lark Ascending

聖誕園林音樂會

24.12 / 2023 SUN 日 5:00PM

Olympic Square, Hong Kong Park 香港公園奧林匹克廣場

CONCERT LINE-UP 演出陣容



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The two ensembles will be led by conductor Prof. Johnny Poon, who enjoys great success in both music performance and academia. Prof. Poon maintains a busy schedule as Associate Vice-President (Interdisciplinary Research) of HKBU and as a conductor appearing regularly in concert halls across the globe. Those who attended the first 'Christmas Concert in the Park' in 2005 should vividly recall his energy and charismatic stage presence.

We are also thrilled to welcome back flautist Sibel Weng as the soloist in Ralph Vaughan Williams' *The Lark Ascending*. As Radio 4's 2016 Artist-in-Residence, Weng astonished us with formidable technique and vibrant tone in multiple performances. Baritone Isaac Droscha is another remarkable soloist joining us for the Christmas concert. Familiar to Radio 4 listeners as a presenter, Droscha has also established a brilliant career as an operatic singer in both the US and Hong Kong. You will hear his robust and agile voice in Vaughan Williams' *Fantasia on Christmas Carols*.

With this dream-team line-up, this year's 'Christmas Concert in the Park' is sure to be an unmissable event!

今年音樂會的主力演出團隊，是香港浸會大學的精英學生。香港巴羅克室樂團擅長演奏17、18世紀曲目，是本地水平最高的室樂團之一。而香港浸會大學室樂合唱團是很有活力、勇於接受挑戰的合唱組合，近年灌錄的唱片裡就有展現各種文化背景、用不同語言演唱的作品。

兩支團隊會由指揮潘明倫帶領演出。潘明倫教授在樂壇和學術領域都有很高成就，現時出任浸大協理副校長（跨學科研究），亦頻繁去到世界各地演出。潘明倫在2005年第一次指揮「聖誕園林音樂會」展現非凡魅力，今年再次為音樂會執棒，令人期待。

長笛演奏家翁斯貝亦是載譽歸來，會在佛漢威廉士的《雲雀高飛》中擔任獨奏。她是2016年第四台的駐台演奏家，其深厚的演奏技巧和美麗音色，令人難忘。同場還有男中音艾樂冊演唱佛漢威廉士的《聖誕頌歌幻想曲》。艾樂冊常以主持的身份在第四台節目亮相，他其實是優秀的歌劇演唱者，在美國和香港有輝煌的演唱事業。

音樂會演出陣容鼎盛，值得期待！

The exceptional talents driving this year's Christmas concert are distinguished students from the Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU). Collegium Musicum Hong Kong is an acclaimed chamber ensemble in our city specialized in the 17th and 18th century repertoire. Cantoría Hong Kong is an advanced mixed choir with a repertoire of songs from diverse languages and cultures.

Johnny Poon in the first Christmas Concert
潘明倫指揮第一屆「聖誕園林音樂會」Sibel Weng shared the stage with Colin Touchin and the Police Band in 2013
翁斯貝在2013年與杜程指揮的警察樂隊同台演出