



### 香港兒童合唱團主辦合唱高峰會 榮獲香港藝術發展獎「藝術推廣獎」

【2020年7月30日】培育音樂人才逾半世紀的香港兒童合唱團（簡稱「香兒」）去年首次舉辦大型合唱活動「2019 亞太合唱高峰會」榮獲香港藝術發展局頒發「第十四屆香港藝術發展獎」之「藝術推廣獎」，以表揚對藝術普及的傑出貢獻。

「藝術推廣獎」得獎計劃——「2019 亞太合唱高峰會」由「香兒」主辦、聯合國教科文組織任命成立的「國際合唱聯盟」全力支持，是慶祝「香兒」成立 50 周年的重點活動之一。高峰會由 20 場工作坊、6 場音樂會、「香港合唱指揮比賽」總決賽、合唱領導會議及樂譜展覽組成。涉 15 個國家及地區、逾 10 隊合唱團共 1,600 名國際音樂人才參與，屬本港近年規模最大及最多元的非競賽合唱活動。

高峰會一方面通過交流平台予參加者與業內專家互動，以提升合唱藝術水平；另一方面主動展現香港合唱新秀及作品，讓卓越人才得到國際注視，包括舉辦首個專為本港年輕指揮家而設的「香港合唱指揮比賽」、於音樂會上世界首演本港作品、豁免合唱樂譜於展覽之上架費等。

「香兒」深感榮幸高峰會得以喚起各界關注合唱藝術，同時樂見非競賽元素的合唱活動獲肯定和認同。「香兒」會繼續不遺餘力擔當本港合唱界推廣及傳承角色，定期舉辦專場音樂會及遠赴海外演出，將高水準的合唱藝術帶到國際舞台。

## The Hong Kong Children's Choir presented Asia Pacific Choral Summit received Award for Arts Promotion at 14<sup>th</sup> Hong Kong Arts Development Awards

Devoted to cultivating children's artistic talents for half a century, it was the first time The Hong Kong Children's Choir (HKCC) organized a grand scale choral event last year, the Asia Pacific Choral Summit 2019, which garnered the "Award for Arts Promotion" at the 14th Hong Kong Arts Development Awards. The award is presented by the Hong Kong Arts Development Council to recognize outstanding arts promotion projects that contribute to the popularization of the arts.



^ Two Promenade Concerts were held at the Hong Kong Cultural Centre Piazza

The awarded project, the Asia Pacific Choral Summit 2019 was held by HKCC to celebrate its 50th anniversary, which was also fully supported by the International Federation for Choral Music (IFCM), an appointment of UNESCO. The Summit incorporated 20 workshops, 6 concerts, the Final of Hong Kong Choral Conducting Competition, a conference of IFCM Asia Pacific Choral Council and a Music EXPO. It has attracted more than 10 choirs with over 1,600 participants from 15 countries and regions, which is the largest and most diversified non-competitive choral event in Hong Kong in recent years.

The Summit provided a platform for the participants to directly interact with world-class professionals to acquire invaluable experience and knowledge, and

thus to enhance their standard. At the same time, the Summit showcased the outstanding local works as well as the talented local musicians through the first conducting competition for youth choral conductors in Hong Kong, the world premieres of local choral works in concerts and waiving the “initial shelving fees” in Music EXPO, etc., to increase the exposure of local choral music to the world.

HKCC is glad to raise public awareness to choral arts through the Summit and gain recognition of holding a non-competitive choral event. HKCC will continue to organize choral concerts as well as overseas tours regularly, to keep on promoting Hong Kong great choral music to the world and nurturing the artistic talents of the next generation.

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