

Hong Kong Youth Symphonic Band Annual Concert “Echoes of the Harmony: An American Tapestry” to be held May 1

The Hong Kong Youth Symphonic Band (HKYSB) of the Music Office under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department will hold its annual concert, this one entitled "Echoes of the Harmony: An American Tapestry", at 3pm on May 1 (Thursday) at the Concert Hall of Hong Kong City Hall.

The concert will be conducted by Music Office instructors Lee Sing-wan and Kevin Ling. The HKYSB will perform the jazz-infused "The Fast Lane" from the "Cinnamon Concerto", with Music Office instructor Lau Tsz-kit as saxophone soloist.

Other programme highlights include "The Nine", inspired by a historical event and conveying positive values such as compassion and unity; "Machu Picchu: City in the Sky", portraying the mystery and grandeur of the "golden city" of the Inca Empire; and "Foster Rhapsody", blending the characteristics of the classic folk melodies by renowned American composer Stephen Foster.

The HKYSB was formed in 1978 with the aim of nurturing young musicians and arousing greater interest in symphonic band music in Hong Kong. The Band currently has around 60 members and recruits annually by open audition. It has performed in Hong Kong and overseas, winning much acclaim.

Tickets priced at \$70, \$90 and \$115 are now available at URB TIX (www.urbtix.hk). For telephone bookings, please call 3166 1288. For programme enquiries and concessionary schemes, please call 2796 1003 or 3842 7784 or visit www.lcsd.gov.hk/musicoffice.