City Upbeats

CityU Arts Festival 2017

CityU Arts Festival (The Festival), the third annual arts event organized by the Cultural and Sports Committee, was successfully held from October to November 2017, attracting more than 3000 audiences including CityU students, staff and a wide-ranging audience from communities. Started in 2015, the festival aims at bridging CityU students with professional artists, nurturing life-long appreciation of arts and enriching the cultural atmosphere in campus.

CityU Arts Festival 2017 commenced on 16 Oct with its opening concert held at the Sha Tin Town Hall Auditorium. Following the welcoming speech delivered by President Prof. Wai Kiu, the concert started with the performance of "Yellow River Cantata" a collaboration between CityU Choir, CityU Concert Singers and the Pro Musica Society of Hong Kong, joining hands with the two soloists Mr. Cheng Sze Chi and Dr. Wissam Chan and the narrator Mr. Zhang Xiao Tang. The highlight of the concert was the playing of the beautiful piece "Yellow River Violin Concerto in D minor" by CityU Philharmonic Orchestra together with our guest soloist world known violinist Mr. Paolo Morana, and other principal musicians Mr. John Hanry Krueger, violist, Mr. Tim Cong (cellos), Mr. Ben Liu (viola) and Mr. Tim Leung (bassist).

CityU Choir / CityU Concert Singers
The Pro-Musica Society of Hong Kong

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CityU Arts Festival Opening Concert

Jean Sibelius Violin Concerto in D minor

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Professor Edmond Ko Cup 2017-18

高彥鴻教授盃聯賽比賽2017-18

Rooted in the core values of sportsmanship, respect and cooperation, the Student Residence Office (SRO) set up the Professor Edmond Ko Cup to promote intersport as well as multi-cultural integration among student residents. Through organizing a series of inter-hall competitions, SRO facilitated residents of different nationalities and backgrounds to develop closer friendship and cultivate common interests by interacting in the games.

This year’s inter-hall competitions, organized throughout the academic year since September, included the popular Soccer League, the Aquatic Meet and the Badminton Competition. Compared to previous years, more ‘international’ residents signed up for these popular sports in the first semester. Despite differences in background, like-minded local and non-local students practiced together and became good friends. Most importantly, they learnt how to respect and cooperate with different people.

In the inter-hall Aquatic Meet of September 2017, Jockey Club Humanity Hall (Men) and HSBC Prosperity Hall (Women) broke the records in “4 X 50M Relay-Men” and “4 X 50M Relay-Women” respectively and won their Championship. After keen competitions in October and November 2017, Chan Sui Kau Hall became the Champion in both inter-hall Badminton Competition and Soccer League. In the coming semester there will be more exciting sports and arts events including the inter-hall competitions of Basketball, Photography, Table-tennis and the Singing Contest. Please join us to experience the vitality and joy of hall life in CityU!
One of the spectacular events was undoubtedly the live musical show "Grease" (24-25 Oct), a classical Broadway musical. Trained by professionals, students were transformed into aspiring artists on stage. Their efforts were well-rewarded by the support of a thousand of audiences.

'SFrom Russia, with Song' Vocal Concert
Ms. Olga Makarina, the world famous Soprano, performed at CityU along with her fellow talented vocalists from the Bena Obratzosva Academy: Alena Guz, Dine El, Gamid Abdouloev and Lev Voronov. The concert was absolutely an aural delight to the audience in this amazing evening!

Vocalists: Alena Guz, Dine El, Gamid Abdouloev and Lev Voronov
歌唱家：Alena Guz, Dine El, Gamid Abdouloev and Lev Voronov

World-known soprano Ms. Olga Makarina
著名女高音 Olga Makarina 女士

Melodic Fusion of Harmonica and Jazz
Music knows no boundaries. Different styles of music presented by passionate music groups blended beautifully in this concert, kicked off by the performance of John Chan Ensemble (JCE) together with several CityU students. To prepare for this collaboration, CityU students with music talents jammed music with JCE in a training programme led by Dr. John Chan. After several months of hard work, the group brilliantly showcased jazz music through a variety of western and Chinese music instruments. In the second half of the show, world champion harmonica player Mr. Cy Leo led City Harmonica to perform a series of well-known melodies. It was a tremendous debut performance of City Harmonica after weeks of training, drawing forth thunderous applause from the audience.

無界琴音和鋼琴
跨過音樂界壁,不同音樂團體呈獻的音樂風格,證明音樂無國界。音樂會首先由「無界琴人」帶領數位城大學子演繹風格爵士歌曲。在陳國成博士的指導下,校內音樂人與「無界琴人」成員經過數個月的練習,將中西樂曲完美融合,給觀眾帶來不一樣的爵士樂饗宴。下場的節目由世界冠軍樂手梁孝賢先生帶領一眾城大口琴團演出。演員經過一個月的訓練之後,首演即獲得現場觀眾的熱烈掌聲。

Dr. John Chan
陳國成博士

Mr. Cy Leo and City Harmonica
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Ms. Nancy Yuan (Soprano)
女高音阮妙芬女士

"Heartfelt Songs" Concert
We were honored to invite performers from different backgrounds who shared the same passion for music in this vocal concert. Opened with beautiful English choral songs performed by the CityU Choir, we then had renowned vocalists Ms. Nancy Yuan (Soprano), Mr. Peter Cheung (Baritone), alongside Dr. Tim Wong (Tenor), also Director of SDFS, to deliver famous opera arias and art songs. We also had the warm support from the Hong Kong Polytechnic University Student's Union Choir who brought us songs in accapella. The concert was versatile in terms of the range of genres and styles from classical operas to choral pieces to pop music. Our audience was captivated by the spectacular performance and gave rousing applause.

《弦樂齊聲 繼續慶豐收》城大中樂團之夜
城大中樂團再次與廣州黃埔音樂學院合作，攜手越頌學堂奏一曲充滿
的感人。這次獲邀國內知名二胡演奏家王一瑾女士以及鋼琴系的學生
來場演出。王老師以廣東琶琵演奏《漁歌之歌》；
一首以廣東琶琵改編自日本的二胡名曲，新
的擴展普作極為之精妙，而鋼琴の阿林完美地
王老師與中樂團合奏《漁歌之歌》。表演
反應熱烈，吳教授獨奏二胡貝，將全場
高拋至高潮。城大中樂團的表現可
夠與如此高水平的演奏家合作讓他們感到
難以言表的欣慰！

Ms. Wang Ying

Closing Concert: CityU Philharmonic Orchestra with Pianist Ms. Colleen Lee
Internationally acclaimed pianist, Ms. Colleen Lee was invited to perform together with CityU Philharmonic Orchestra on 10 Nov to bring a perfect ending to the Festival. Ms. Lee is one of the most brilliant pianists of the younger generation from Hong Kong. Winning international piano competitions including the Tchaikovsky International Piano Competition in St. Petersburg and the IV International Piano Competition in Warsaw, she has performed extensively around the world. The concert reached its high point when the orchestra collaborated with Ms. Lee to play the Piano Concerto No.2 in G minor by Saint-Saens, one of the most popular piano concertos. The concert received terrific applause from the audience. Ms. Lee said she was glad to work with the CityU Philharmonic Orchestra, she showed appreciation to orchestra members who put in great effort for this collaboration.

About 90 repayable employers from both public and private sectors join the Job Expo.
就業博覽會吸引了近30國家知名機構及公司參展。

CV Clinic
履歷設計坊

Recruitment talk 招聘講座

CityU Career Festival Boosts Employment Prospects for Students
城大事業節 提升學生就業能力

The Career and Leadership Centre (CLC) hosted the CityU Career Festival from 30 October to 3 November 2017. The Festival provided students with the valuable opportunity to connect with potential employers from various industries to obtain useful job information for their future career pursuits.

The inaugural fine-day event offered CityU students an integrated platform for career planning and networking, featuring a Job Expo, career preparation seminars, recruitment talks, CV clinics and free CV photo-taking service.

The Job Expo—the highlights of the Festival—stratified about 90 repayable employers from both public and private sectors to spot talents from CityU, including PCCH Limited, Hong Kong Bank, PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC), Hong Kong Disneyland, Cannon Construction Limited, Swire Properties Limited and The Hong Kong Jockey Club.

Prof. Horace Ip, Vice-President (Student Affairs), officiates the Opening Ceremony of the Job Expo and expresses his gratitude to the participating employers.
副校長（學生事務）易浩森教授於就業博覽會的開幕禮上表達

的懶以誌謝意。
You’ve Got CityU to Care for You！
總有城大撑你！

Counseling Service of Student Development Services launched the fourth CityU Cares for You Campaign on 13 November to nudge students who had their hands full with assignments and revisions, getting prepared for the coming stressful examination season.

One of the Campaign highlights was the Kick-off-of-Caring League Inauguration and Graduation Ceremony during which Prof. Horace Y. expressed his appreciation to the past Caring Leaders for their contribution and encouraged the new cohort of Leaders to pass on the caring spirit in the campus through different services to be delivered in the coming year. The dimiss of the ceremony was the unveiling of this year’s mascot—an owl (a giant figure), which was specially made for the campaign gained huge popularity during the display period. Guests, Counsellors as well as Caring Leaders then proceeded to distribute fresh cupcakes and owl-shaped stress balls to students and staff to spread the message of love and care, marking the end of the ceremony.

During the campaign week, a “Comforting Corner” was specially set up for students to write down their blessings for their friends and family on the cards provided. In addition, more than 1,550 owl-shaped cards in 15 styles and positive quotes were available for students to pick by making a cube full of fortune number stick.

Share the Language Share the Culture
城大學生透過教授語言傳遞文化

Among the many initiatives introduced by the university to help international students tackle the local language barrier, the Global Mixer (G-Mix) programme has become a regular programme after years of success.

In this programme, local students join as G-minters and organize different activities for non-local students with the aim of enriching students’ cultural exposure as well as promoting campus diversity and integration.

In the last semester, G-miners organized the “Survival Cantonese Class” to teach non-local students basic Cantonese phrases so that they could “survive” in Hong Kong, particularly in their daily conversations with non-English speakers.

For non-local students, the Cantonese classes provide a platform for them to meet new people and learn local language at the same time. Although the nine tones of Cantonese dialect are hard to master, they have indeed taken baby steps towards understanding a new language and a different culture through the series of classes.

For local students, this programme provides a great opportunity for them to make friends with students from around the world and to learn how to handle a variety of tasks including managing emergency situations. They also learn to prepare course materials and explain Cantonese words and phrases in English as accurately as possible to the participants.

As new semester is approaching, G-Mixers are busy preparing the Global Mix and Chat series for students to explore different cultures. Stay tuned for more news on G-Mix week!

Caring Leaders giving an impressive music performance to cheer CityU up. 聲靈俱動的音樂表演為城大打氣

Dr Horace Y., Vice-President (Student Affairs) (second on the right), Dr Kwock, Dean of Students (second on the left), Dr Tim Weng, Director of SDS (first on the right) and Miss Elizabeth Cheung, Associate Director of SDS/Counselling (first on the left) at CityU Cares for You – Kick-off Ceremony (CJL 2020).

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Photo Corner exhibiting the past events of Caring League. 活動期間展出觸動領袖過去一年活動和服務照片

Dr Tim Weng, Director of SDS, distributes apples and owl-shaped stress balls to students with Caring Leaders. 學生服務處處長唐文 SOCKPANG總警視分發蘋果和創意舒壓球予學生