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Ding Yi Music Company Appoints Renowned Conductor Tsung Yeh as Chief Artistic Mentor

Singapore, 1 May 2024 – Ding Yi Music Company, Singapore’s premier Chinese chamber music ensemble, is pleased to announce the appointment of Tsung Yeh as its Chief Artistic Mentor, effective from 1 May 2024. With a distinguished career as a conductor and music director, he brings a wealth of experience and expertise to Ding Yi, reinforcing its commitment to excellence in Chinese chamber music.



“We are thrilled to welcome Maestro Tsung Yeh to Ding Yi Music Company,” said Elvia Goh, General Manager of Ding Yi. “His profound understanding and love for chamber music, together with his visionary approach will be invaluable as we continue to inspire audiences and challenge our boundaries.”

Tsung Yeh also expressed his enthusiasm about his new role, stating, “I am glad to accept this new role and having witnessed these talented young musicians growing up and taking visible positions in the Singapore Arts scene, I shall certainly do my best to help them and push them to a new and higher artistic level.”

Tsung Yeh’s new role at Ding Yi will see him providing artistic mentorship and guidance to the conductor and musicians of the ensemble, fostering music excellence, and nurturing the next generation of musicians in Singapore.

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About Ding Yi Music Company

Established in 2007, Ding Yi Music Company is Singapore's most prodigious Chinese chamber music ensemble and a coterie of accomplished Chinese instrumentalists that trademark Singapore Chinese chamber music in the traditional and contemporary field. The ensemble has captivated audiences with its distinctive approach to music-making and dedication to showcase a vast repertoire that ranges from traditional Chinese music to contemporary interpretations and cross-genre works. For more information, please visit www.dingyimusic.com.

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Tsung Yeh's biography and photos

Image	Biography
 <p data-bbox="204 728 564 801">Please download the high-resolution version here</p>	<p data-bbox="587 324 986 356">Tsung Yeh, Chief Artistic Mentor</p> <p data-bbox="587 365 1382 683">Tsung Yeh joined the Singapore Chinese Orchestra (SCO) as Music Director in January 2002. Under his direction, SCO expanded its repertoire with innovative works such as <i>Marco Polo and Princess Blue — A Symphonic Epic</i>, <i>Instant is a Millennium – A Musical Conversation with Tan Swie Hian</i>, <i>The Grandeur of Tang</i>, <i>Thunderstorm</i>, <i>Admiral of the Seven Seas</i> and <i>Awaking</i>. In <i>Awaking</i>, he melded Shakespeare and Tang Xianzu's plays into one, elevating Chinese orchestral music to a higher level.</p> <p data-bbox="587 732 1372 1052">In March and April 2005, he led SCO on a tour to Europe at Barbican Centre in London, The Sage Gateshead, and the Budapest Spring Festival. In October 2007, SCO performed at the Beijing Music Festival, China Shanghai International Arts Festival, Macau International Music Festival, as well as at major concert halls in Guangzhou, Zhongshan and Shenzhen. In August 2009, SCO made history by becoming the first Chinese orchestra to perform in the opening week of the Edinburgh Festival.</p> <p data-bbox="587 1102 1385 1422">As Music Director of Singapore's National Day Parade 2007, Tsung Yeh conceptualised a symphonic music structure with supreme, textured virtuosity that incensed the national pride in the air. In 2004 and 2014, Tsung Yeh directed two mega orchestra concerts at the Singapore Indoor Stadium and National Stadium, Singapore Sports Hub respectively, of which, 2014's concert of 4,557 musicians broke 2 Guinness World Records and 3 Singapore Book of Records.</p> <p data-bbox="587 1471 1353 1626">Tsung Yeh was the Music Director of the South Bend Symphony Orchestra (SBSO) in the United States from 1988 to 2016 and is presently designated as the Conductor Laureate by the South Bend Symphony Orchestra Association.</p> <p data-bbox="587 1675 1372 2036">As part of the Conductors' Mentor Programme sponsored by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, he worked with Music Director Daniel Barenboim and Principal Guest Conductor Pierre Boulez. Tsung Yeh was formerly the Music Director of the Northwest Indiana Symphony Orchestra and Hong Kong Sinfonietta, and the Exxon/Arts Endowment Conductor of the Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra. He served as Resident Conductor of Florida Orchestra and was the Principal Guest Conductor of Albany Symphony Orchestra of New York.</p>

	<p>Tsung Yeh has collaborated with reputable international orchestras including San Francisco, Tucson and New Haven Symphonies, Calgary and Rochester Philharmonic, and orchestras from Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Hong Kong, Taipei, Tokyo, Yokohama, France, the Royal Scottish National Orchestra, Poland, Russia and Czech Republic. As a recording artist, Tsung Yeh has made various recordings under the HUGO, Delos and Naxos labels.</p> <p>In 2013, Tsung Yeh was awarded the Cultural Medallion, the highest accolade in the arts in Singapore. He is also the advisor to the Singapore Youth Chinese Orchestra.</p> <p>Tsung Yeh is a distinguished professor at the China Conservatory of Music and guest professor at the Shanghai Conservatory of Music. He has taught conducting workshops hosted by the Conductors Guild, The League of American Orchestras and the Musik Hochschule of Zurich and is also active in conducting masterclasses in Beijing, Shanghai, Hong Kong, Taiwan and Singapore. His new appointments in recent years include the Principal Guest Conductor of the China National Traditional Orchestra, Artistic Committee Member of the Jiangsu Centre for the Performing Arts and Senior Researcher of the He Luting Chinese Music Research Institute of the Shanghai Conservatory of Music.</p>
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