

## Press Release 新闻稿

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### ***Ding Yi Music Company Blooms with Orchid-Themed Annual Fundraising Dinner Chamber Soiree 2025, Raising Over \$410,000***

**Singapore, 30 September 2025** – On 12 September 2025, Ding Yi Music Company held its annual fundraising charity dinner, Chamber Soiree, at PARKROYAL Collection Marina Bay, attended by more than 250 distinguished guests, including Guest-of-Honour Senior Minister of State for Culture, Community and Youth & Senior Minister of State for Trade and Industry Ms Low Yen Ling, Ding Yi Patron, Mrs Goh Chok Tong, Senior Parliamentary Secretary for Ministry of Law & Ministry of Social and Family Development Mr Eric Chua, Member of Parliament Mr Xie Yao Quan as well as members of the diplomatic corps and other distinguished dignitaries. The event celebrated and supported Ding Yi's mission to elevate the profile of Chinese chamber music in Singapore's arts landscape.



*Senior Minister of State for Culture, Community and Youth & Senior Minister of State for Trade and Industry Ms Low Yen Ling (centre), Ding Yi Patron Mrs Goh Chok Tong (fifth from right) in a group picture with the Ding Yi Board of Directors and management*

This year's dinner was themed around the orchid flower, in celebration of Singapore's 60th birthday (SG60). The orchid, a symbol of resilience, diversity, and harmony, reflected the spirit of the evening — uniting music, culture, and philanthropy. Through the generosity of more than 50 donors, the evening successfully raised more than \$410,000, with all donations matched dollar-for-dollar by the

Cultural Matching Fund, doubling the impact towards sustaining Ding Yi's mission to promote Chinese chamber music and making it accessible.

Ms Low delivered a heartfelt speech during the soirée, commending Ding Yi for its contributions to Singapore's arts landscape and for its efforts to bring music to diverse communities, including seniors and persons with disabilities. She encouraged continued support for Ding Yi's mission, noting that such initiatives are vital in keeping Singapore's arts scene vibrant and inclusive.

"Over the past two decades, Ding Yi has shown us that preserving culture is not about leaving it untouched, but about nurturing it, allowing it to grow and evolve," said Guest-of-Honour Ms Low Yen Ling. "In doing so, Singapore's Chinese chamber music continues to stay vibrant and relevant, resonating with each new generation."

Guests were treated to an exquisite programme of immersive performances under the baton of Chief Artistic Mentor, Maestro Tsung Yeh and Resident Conductor Wong De Li, Dedric. A highlight of the evening was a spirited guest-conducting appearance by Mr Eric Chua, who led the ensemble in *Friendship Forever*. That same performance also featured Nicole Koo, a special needs artist from ART:DIS, who painted a striking orchid-themed artwork, together in collaboration with Guest-of-Honour Ms Low Yen Ling — an uplifting symbol of shared creativity. Adding a personal touch to the evening, Patron Mrs Goh Chok Tong delighted guests with a heartfelt vocal performance, earning warm applause.

### **Announcements**

In his address, Mr Lau Kam Yuen, Chairman of Ding Yi Music Company, shared several milestones that made this year's event especially meaningful:

#### **Strengthening Partnership with the Singapore-Beijing General Chamber of Commerce**

Ding Yi Music Company and the Singapore-Beijing General Chamber of Commerce signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), affirming a shared commitment to community service and cultural promotion. As non-profit organisations, both parties will collaborate to support each other's charitable initiatives, promote Chinese chamber music, and extend help to underprivileged communities.

#### **Establishment of the Ding Yi–Huashang Moutai Cultural Fund**

In celebration of Singapore's 60th anniversary, Ding Yi and Singapore Huashang Liquor announced the creation of the Ding Yi–Huashang Moutai Cultural Fund. For every bottle of Feitian Moutai sold locally, SGD 0.60 will be donated to support Ding Yi's cultural, artistic, and community projects. This initiative creates a sustainable model of partnership, nurturing local arts and inspiring future generations.

#### **Among Singapore's First Arts Groups to Publish ESG Sustainability Report**

Mr Lau also revealed that Ding Yi is among Singapore's first arts groups to publish an ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) Sustainability Report as part of its Annual Report. This groundbreaking step reflects Ding Yi's dedication to transparency, responsible growth, and long-term sustainability — assuring donors and partners that their support is met with accountability and vision.



*Dancers from Dance Ensemble Singapore joined Ding Yi in the opening piece "A Prosperous River", an excerpt from its SG60 concert, The River Remembers*



*Young pianist, Toby Tan in a moving rendition of "Ode to the Yellow River"*



*Chief Artistic Mentor Tsung Yeh conducts “Ode to the Yellow River”*



*Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Mr Eric Chua, who guest-conducted “Friendship Forever”*





*Nicole Khoo, a special needs artist from ART:DIS, painting an orchid-themed artwork, together with Guest-of-Honour Ms Low Yen Ling*



*Ding Yi Patron Mrs Goh Chok Tong singing during a special performance of "Mattinata"*



*Ding Yi Music Company, with Resident Conductor Wong De Li, Dedric, at Chamber Soiree*

### **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](http://www.dingyimusic.com).

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