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The Taiwan Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra, comprising 80-plus members, at its home concert hall in Taipei. Photo: SCMP Pictures

Taiwanese ensemble makes HK debut

After nearly 30 years, island's flagship orchestra offers a refined sound

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Taiwan's flagship orchestra is summoning decades of self-confidence to deliver an eclectic programme tomorrow for its debut concert in Hong Kong after a nine-year delay, its maestro said.

Music director Lu Shao-chia, at the helm since 2010, said the orchestra's first performance in the city in its nearly 30-year history was of "great importance".

mance that built on the orchestra's many years of striving for the highest standard. "In many parts of the world, a city's cultural standard is often measured by its symphony orchestra, and that's exactly what we want to present," he said.

Taiwanese artists were ready to seize the spotlight at the concert, featuring composer Yen Ming-hsiu's Flying Towards the Horizon, a work from 2012 about the sound of birds, and pianist Yen Chun-chieh in Piano Concerto No 1 by Mendelssohn.

PAPER TALK

Sunday, Ming Pao Daily

Academics find fault with supplementary exam books. Scholars questioned the supplementary exercise books available for pupils taking Territory-wide System Assessment (TSA) exams.

Monday, Oriental Daily

Mother blames school for not calling ambulance for injured boy. The mother of a Primary Six pupil has complained to the Education Bureau.

Tuesday, Apple Daily

Jilted Wan Chai mall drops controversial 'I love you' name. The controversial Chinese name of a shopping mall redevelopment in Wan Chai - due to open next year - has been dropped.

Wednesday, Ming Pao Daily

Prices of Lunar New Year stalls far outstrip inflation. Prices for stalls at Lunar New Year fairs next year, which will be put up for auction next month by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department, have risen by between 4.2 per cent and 6

per cent, even though the inflation rate in September was only 2 per cent. The floor prices for all the stalls in Victoria Park have increased by about 6 per cent.

Thursday, Sing Tao Daily

First empty shop in 12 years on luxury shopping avenue. For the first time in 12 years, a store has been vacated on Canton Road in Tsim Sha Tsui, the famous avenue that was popular for luxury goods shops until the steady fall of mainland travellers in recent months.

Friday, Apple Daily

Almost one-third of young want to quit their jobs and travel. Some 28 per cent of Hongkongers aged 20 to 30 polled in August and September by online travel company Expedia said they had thought of quitting their jobs in order to travel.



Prices have risen for stalls at Victoria Park. Photo: Felix Wong

Religious Notices

聖約翰堂 ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL HONG KONG. with Emmanuel, Paulina, St Stephen's, Susie and Discovery Bay.

GOSPEL HALL AUSTIN AVENUE - Tsim Sha Tsui - Believers gathered to the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

CHRIST CHURCH (Anglican-Episcopal) 132 Waterloo Road Kowloon Tong.

Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong Sunday Masses in English. St Vincent's Church, Holy Family Church.

Christian Radio Hong Kong This Week's Broadcasts. THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK 9:25-9:50AM.

8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. Communion Traditional Contemporary Filipino Evening Worship.

8:00 am Said Eucharist. Preacher: The Revd John Chyckes. 9:00 am Sung Eucharist.

Gospel Hall Mongkok. Believers gathered to the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

1st November, 2015 All Saints' Day. 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion. 10:00 a.m. Parish Eucharist.

INTERNATIONAL BAPTIST CHURCH where the less than perfect are more than welcome. 7/F, Tower A, Southview Building.

REFLECTIONS 11:07PM-Midnight - RTHK 4 - 97.8 FM. Mon-Fri Rev Mark Rogers, Discovery Bay Anglican Church.

Content or Entitled? 1 Timothy 6:6-10 Pastor Greg Anderson. 22A Kennedy Road, Hong Kong.

EMMANUEL CHURCH 聖約翰堂. Bethune, 139 Pokfulam Road, Pokfulam.

SERVICES NEAR YOU HSKKH St. Peter's Church Anglican / Episcopal.

Kowloon Union Church International and Ecumenical. Ministers: Revd Phyllis Wong, Revd Maggie Mathieson.

WORSHIP SERVICE IN THE HEART OF TSIM SHA TSUI. Tsim Sha Tsui Baptist Church.

CALVARY CHURCH Hong Kong Come Expecting a Miracle! Sunday 2:00pm Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon.

ICA INTERNATIONAL CHURCH INTER-GENERATIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE! This service is for all ages from children to adults.

ST STEPHEN'S CHAPEL 聖約翰士聖堂. In the grounds of St Stephen's College, Stanley.

Orthodox Cathedral of St Luke Sunday Divine Liturgy at 10 a.m. Universal Trade Centre 7th Floor.

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