

Immediate release

TUNE IN 2020 – The Next Wave of Contemporary Music

*In Collaboration with Esplanade – Theatres on the Bay, Tune In 2020 is
Ding Yi's first ticketed concert in Season 2020*

Singapore, 12 Oct 2020 – Novel and contemporary musical works, exquisite performance, and the charm of a conducting maestro leading the ensemble. This highly anticipated first concert of the season, *Tune In 2020*, is a strong representation of Ding Yi Music Company's effort in ushering in, and advocating the next wave of contemporary music. Led by Ding Yi's Principal Conductor Quek Ling Kiong, the ensemble's first-ever ticketed performance of the season is available digitally on SISTIC Live from 15 Oct to 1 Nov 2020.

Despite the restrictions on live performances caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, Ding Yi continues to pursue our mission to promote a distinctive Singaporean music identity, bridging traditional and contemporary Chinese chamber music works. *Tune In 2020* is a display of works and adaptations by a stellar line-up of six local and international female composers including Ding Yi's Composium 2018 winner Jon Lin Chua, 2019 Young Artist Award recipient Emily Koh, Dr Joyce Koh, and more.



[From Left: Jon Lin Chua \(Singapore\), Emily Koh \(Singapore/USA\), Dr Joyce Koh \(Singapore\), Koh Cheng Jin \(Singapore\), Liong Kit Yeng \(Singapore\) and Wang Danhong \(China\)](#)

Through a digital platform, these world premieres will come to life as the Ding Yi musicians perform a diverse range of musical cultures and techniques, and experiment with new sounds and experience.

“As a local Chinese chamber ensemble, we champion this music genre and creating new generations of Chinese chamber works.” said Mr Quek, “Most importantly, it takes one to adopt new ideas, new concepts and new mindsets to create new works. That will allow the music to have unlimited imagination and enables us to have greater space for imagination. We should adapt to and embrace such unprecedented times with such open spirit.”

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About Ding Yi

Established in 2007, Ding Yi is Singapore's most prodigious Chinese chamber music ensembles. The ensemble has captivated audiences with its distinctive approach to music making and dedication to showcasing a vast repertoire that ranges from traditional Chinese music to contemporary interpretations and cross-genre works, and collaborated with prominent Chinese musicians including Min Huifen and Lu Chunling in many concerts, receiving accolades from critics and audiences alike.

Since emerging first at the National Chinese Music Competition organised by the National Arts Council (NAC), Singapore in 2008, Ding Yi continues to advocate and promote its unique Singapore sound – Ding Yi Chinese chamber music locally and overseas, such as China, Malaysia, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Philippines, United Kingdom, Australia, Germany, and Uzbekistan. Ding Yi is also a proud recipient of the NAC Major Company Scheme in 2016. For more information, please visit www.dingyimusic.com.

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FAST FACTS

Tune In 2020

15 Oct to 1 Nov 2020

SISTIC Live

Ticketing agent: SISTIC

Standard price: \$12

Discounts:

Card Discounts For PAssion Card, OCBC Arts Platinum Card	15%
For SAFRA Card, OCBC Debit/ Credit Card	10%
For E&Me Black & White Cards	10%

*All ticket prices exclude SISTIC charge

SISTIC Ticketing:	https://bit.ly/3cFLhFh
Ding Yi Website:	https://www.dingyimusic.com
Ding Yi Social Media (Facebook, Instagram, Youtube):	@dingyimusic

Images and other information can be downloaded through these links for media use

1. Ding Yi logo

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/wt5pyjd3psnej5q/AABAtPr25TnavlJzrQ1UBt2Oa?dl=0>

2. Ding Yi group photo(s)

https://www.dropbox.com/s/kf7ppl0tarryby8p/Dingyi_2020_Image_v02.jpg?dl=0

3. Ding Yi Bio

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/0kxyjtcn9ipmvmw/AABiOIAITj_IaiDi8UnwtNV9a?dl=0

4. Conductor photo(s): Quek Ling Kiong

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/129oh24ljhcymux/AAAFKPGCTC6FfyEGq5El7t2Xa?dl=0>

5. Composers' photo(s) and Bio

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/k8sjsutrqo3qlp2/AADYZTSoOCzpqKapxnDgjc-a?dl=0>

ANNEX II

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Tune In 2020

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Presenting a diverse range of musical cultures and techniques, look forward to the experimentation of new sounds and experiences by our ensemble, led by Ding Yi Principal Conductor Quek Ling Kiong who has established a distinct music identity for the ensemble by putting a contemporary spin on classic chamber orchestral music. Through digital means, listen to the works performed by accomplished instrumentalists from Ding Yi Music Company and explore how contemporary music can be a part of your life!

JON LIN CHUA, Singapore
Reminiscences of Yuan Xiao

KOH CHENG JIN, Singapore
Legend of Badang *#

DR JOYCE KOH, Singapore
Isskimmer *#

EMILY KOH, Singapore/ USA
Resonate *^

LIONG KIT YENG, Singapore
Free-Spirited

WANG DANHONG, China
Depiction of the Sea ^

*Commissioned by Ding Yi Music Company

World Premiere

^ World Premiere of the Re-adapted Version

(1 hr, no intermission)

Quek Ling Kiong, conductor

Concert Link: <https://bit.ly/3cFLhFh>

