



Consortium of Institutes on Family in the Asian Region

14 October, 2020

Dear Sir/Madam,

SAR Philharmonic Orchestra – Bringing Hope Home Concert 2020

愛樂 • 家點希望音樂會 2020

22 November 2020 (Sunday)

On behalf of the Consortium of Institutes on Family in the Asian Region (CIFA), we are inviting you to join us at **Bringing Hope Home Concert 2020 (愛樂•家點希望音樂會 2020)**, presented by the SAR Philharmonic Orchestra, with CIFA and Haven of Hope Christian Service as beneficiaries, to be held on **22 November, 2020 (Sunday)** at 7:30pm in the Concert Hall, Hong Kong Cultural Centre, Tsimshatsui, Hong Kong. We are honoured to have Professor Gabriel Leung, Dean of Medicine, The University of Hong Kong as the Guest of Honour on the occasion.

Hong Kong, just like the rest of the world, has been facing tremendous pressure in the past nine months brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, including social distancing, closing down of business and unemployment, as well as affecting various aspects of family life and relationship. People feel anxious, lost, or even hopeless. Bringing Hope Home Concert 2020 aims to offer an opportunity for the audience to take a step back, relax and appreciate a moment of peace with their beloved ones. We hope to bring about positive energy through music to face adversities in life.

The SAR Philharmonic is the musical arm of SAR Philharmonic Charitable Foundation, whose sole objective is to help lessen suffering through their sweet and romantic music performances. Since its first concert in 1999, it has raised over \$50 million for many local non-governmental organisations. We are most grateful that the SAR Philharmonic will present the concert to raise funds for CIFA again, for the sixth time. This time the SAR Philharmonic will put on a wonderful programme on Beethoven's masterpieces, including Egmont Overture, Op. 84; Symphony No. 1 in C major, Op. 21 and Symphony no. 8 in F major, op.93.

Your generosity will contribute towards supporting the work of CIFA in advancing the well-being of families in Hong Kong and Asia. CIFA is a non-profit making organisation with tax exemption status with the goal to strengthen family functioning and promote family health through research, training, share clinical experiences and contribute to policy formulation on families. We are proud and excited that our work throughout the past ten years has received growing recognition, not only from the Asian region, but from the United Nations. The successful Asian Family Summit held in Hong Kong in 2018 to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of CIFA, with the presence of Ms. Daniela Bas, Director, Division for Inclusive Social Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations is a testimony of such recognition. It is indeed a result of concerted efforts of all who share the same vision of Converging Professional Wisdom For Family Well-Being, and we are thankful to you for being one of our staunch supporters.

We look forward to seeing you at this joyful occasion for fostering harmony and well-being of families while appreciating wonderful musical performance. I hope you will appreciate that during these uncertain times of the pandemic, we need to monitor the situation closely and make decision near the time if the Concert needed to be postponed and we will keep you posted of the latest development.

Ticket is offered on a first-come-first-served basis. For more details of CIFA and the concert, please refer to the attached leaflet or access the website of CIFA at <http://www.cifa-net.org>. Alternatively you might wish to contact the Secretariat, Mr. Timothy LI at 2363 0700 or cifasecretariat@gmail.com.

With warmest regards,

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