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### Diamond Jubilee Gala Dinner



Wah Yan Kowloon Alumni Association of Ontario

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#### O Canada

O Canada! Our home and native land!
True patriot love in all thy sons command.
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,
The True North strong and free!
From far and wide,
O Canada! We stand on guard for thee.
God keep our land glorious and free!
O Canada! We stand on guard for thee
O Canada! We stand on guard for thee.



#### School Hymn

Our Captain and our King, We kneel in love before thee, Our hearts in tribute bring Glad homage here to pay O do not Thou distain The gift so mean, so poor; More precious far we fain Would offer and more pure. Grant us, we pray, Thy cause
To champion, though so lowly
Nor ever fail nor pause,
When trials throng and press,
O God of battle, smite
And nerve us for the fray;
O Prince of Peace, Thy light
Can ev'ry toil repay.

#### Chorus

Our deep love O Lord, Till this our life is O'er, Be Thine forever more, Be Thine forever more,

# Celebration Begins

Reception
Commencement of Silent Auction

**Guest Entry** 

Singing of National Anthem School Hymn

Introduction of Honoured Guests

Grace

Fr. Farren, S.J.

Dinner

Guests' Speeches

Fr. Coghlan, S.J. Fr. Zee, S.J.

Presentation of Awards

Video Presentation

Cake Cutting Ceremony

Guests' Performances

Close Silent Auction Dance

Conclusion of Diamond Jubilee Celebration

#### Dinner Menu

Melon Balls in Port Wine

Tossed Garden Greens with Balsamic Vinaigrette

Grilled Breast of Chicken with Rosemary and Sage Roast Potatoes Fresh Market Vegetables

White and Dark Chocolate Mousse Cake

Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee or Tea

#### **Guests' Performances**

One Day When We Were Young - Winnie Wei



薛先生介紹女高音章秀嫺女士時掃

Song of Promise - Vocal Duet Little Romeo - Vocal Duet

Ballade in 'G' Minor Op. 23 by Frederic Chopin - Andrew Kwong

"Baron Knoop" Antonius Stradivarius 1746 by Luiz Bellinni - Jonathan Der

Elvis Impersonation - Larry Yip It's Now or Never The Wonder of You

#### Wei Shau Han, Winnie Soprano



Winnie was born the daughter of the famous Cantonese Opera singer. Li Suet Fong. Her music talent was first noted when she won the vocal championship at the Hong Kong Schools Music Festival. She then started her voice training under the tutelage of Professor CHO MEI-PA, a renowned classical vocal teacher in Hong Kong. She obtained a diploma of Vocal Performance (L.R.S.M.) from the Royal

Schools of Music in England, and began her successful career as a celebrated soprano all over Asia. She enjoyed her success not only in the field of classical music and Chinese folk songs, but also in her career as a Mandarin and Cantonese song artist.

Ms WEI has been a recording artist for Philips and EMI, and her numerous records have been sold throughout the world. She also recorded and appeared in various Mandarin and Cantonese movies. The theme song for the Cantonese movie "An Ocean Apart" was one of Ms Wei's many celebrated works.

During the 1970s, Ms Wei began her teaching career, imparting her skill and experience to prospective vocalists. She taught at the Hong Kong Academy of Arts, the Seagull Arts Academy, and the Asian Television, producing famous singers worldwide.

In recent years, Ms Wei made Toronto her permanent home. She spends her time teaching, performing for charities and participates in community functions.

#### Wilson Hsueh-Baritone



HSUEH Wei-Shiang, Wilson, obtained F.T.C.L. from Trinity College, and L.R.S.M. from the Royal Schools of Music in England, went on to graduate with a master degree in music education (M.M.Ed.) from Manfield State University, Penn., USA. He then furthered his studies at Mozartem in Salzburg, Austria, from which he received a diploma in music history, and a diploma in singing performance.

Before coming to Canada, he had been a music director and teacher at Wah Yan College, Kowloon, a lecturer with the Music department at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, and a music teacher at Henrietta Middle School. While in Hong Kong, he was very active and famous in the field of music performance, both as a solo artist and as a choral conductor. Being featured in different concerts, radio and TV shows, he was also the host of a Chinese programme at Radio Hong Kong introducing western music.

After making Canada his home, he had been working for the Toronto Board of Education, appearing often as adjudicator for music competitions. In 1990, he was invited back to Hong Kong as an adjudicator for the famous Hong Kong Schools Music Festival.

Both Mr. Hsueh and Ms Wei had been studying under the tutelage of Prof. Chao Mei-Pa.

#### Alice Chen - Accompanist

Alice's connection with Wah Yan Kowloon dates back to the 50s when her brothers Eric & York were students at the school. Her mother in Hong Kong is extremely proud to learn that she would represent the family at the Diamond Jubilee Celebration.

#### Larry Yip (impersonation)



Larry left Wah Yan Kowloon in 1968 after completed Form 6 with Mr. Francis Kong as his class-teacher. After he graduated from Simon Fraser University majoring in Psychology, he was the first Chinese Canadian to join the Vancouver Police Department where he has been serving ever since. His assignment included Uniform Patrol, Vice Undercover, Field Instructor, Hostage Negotiator, Field Supervisor,

Organized Crime Investigator, Community Relations, Police Spokesman. Currently he is the officer-in-charge of the Riley Park Community Policing Centre in District Four and supervises about 70 volunteers. In 1998, he received the Governor General Award for outstanding service in the Police Force.

Throughout his career as a policeman, Larry cultures many hobbies such as Rock Cod fishing in the Pacific waters, horse-back riding in the interior of beautiful British Columbia, singing and impersonating icons such as Elvis Presley, the BeeGees, Johnny Mathis, and Cliff Richard, and pretty soon, even female singers like Barbra Streisand and Celine Dion!

Larry hosts several times a week on local TV CrimeStoppers and even sang at the Miss Calgary Chinese Beauty Pageant and Fashion Show recently. Being such a popular policeman, no wonder his wife is with him this evening and follows him around as the "Duchess of Kent" in Chinese.

#### Jonathan Der (violin)



completed a diploma in Performance at Wilfrid Laurier University, a Bachelor of Music at McGill University and a Master of Music in Performance at Indiana University, Bloomington. He had been the assistant instructor for 4 years, during which time he held both Technique Classes and Master Classes for college and graduate students.

In the summer of 1996, he was appointed violin instructor, chamber music

coach and conductor to the Indiana University String Academy. He also gives regular solo recitals in many cities in Ontario as well as Montreal, Vancouver and Indiana. In May 1999, he was featured as an artist for the Heart and Stroke Foundation's "Sing for Your Heart" fund-raising banquet.

He is now teaching violin at the Merriam School of Music in Oakville and will be the coordinator of its String Department this August. He is a founding member of his newly formed string quartet, the Quartet 440. Jonathan is playing on a copy of the "Baron Knoop" Antonius Stradivarius 1746 made by Luiz Bellinni, New York 1990.

#### Accompanist - Heather Wilton (piano)

Heather studied music at Briercrest Bible College in Saskatchewan and music and education at York University. She also holds an ARTC in piano performance. She lives in Toronto where she teaches and accompanies frequently. She also teaches piano at the Merriam School of Music in Oakville.

#### Andrew Kwong (piano)



Andrew Kwong won the trophy for Most Promising Boy at the Davenport Music Festival in 1988 and 1989. He played in the Royal Conservatory's "Monster Concert" at Massey Hall in 1990. In 1991, he was one of the eight scholarship students chosen to play at the Royal Conservatory's Young Mozart Concert at Roy Thomson Hall. In 1992, he won the Toronto Symphony Women's Committee Piano Competition. A frequent scholarship winner at various music festivals, he was a scholarship winner for piano from 1988 to 1996 at the Royal Conservatory of Music, and received his A.R.T.C. Diploma in Piano Performance in 1994. He was also Principal Organist at St. Michael's Cathedral from September 1997 to October 1998, and received his A.R.T.C. Diploma in Organ Performance in 1998. He is currently a member of the award-winning male choir The Victoria Scholars, the organist at Holy Spirit Church, and a student at the University of Toronto.

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## 誓約之歌 方般詞・李抱忱曲

我們就這樣的約定,我們就這樣的約定, 雖然我們相隔着萬山重重, 每當那第一聲鳥鳴,驚破了好夢, 我們要輕輕的喚着彼此的名字, 纏綿的回憶前情,祝禱着彼此的康寧。

我們就這樣的約定,我們就這樣的約定, 雖然我們不知在那天重逢, 每當那第一枝花草,趕走了嚴冬, 我們要欣欣的唱着春天的頌歌, 愉快的走向愛情,不屈的爲幸福鬥爭。

我們就這樣的約定, 雖然還是生活在苦難之中, 每當那第一隻小鳥飛向了天空, 我們要高聲的喚着彼此的名字, 勇敢的走出牢籠,不撓的爲前途鬥爭。

#### 小艾罕 倪維徳、張長詞・閏飛曲

- 1 太陽已經落山,月亮露出笑臉, 小艾罕喲,爲啥不把你的情歌唱?列比嗨依哎依! 看你站在竹樓下面獨自一人默默無言, 你快來吧!坐在我的篝火前,小艾罕,咳!
- 2 夜風多麼涼爽,夜鶯在柳林歌唱, 小艾罕喲,爲啥不把短琵吹響?列比嗨依哎依! 你東張張,你西望望,籬笆外面左右徬徨, 你快來吧,坐在我的紡車旁邊,你快上來吧,小艾罕,咳!
- 3 艾罕來到身旁,月亮線進雲間, 小艾罕喲,拉起琴琴,我的心喲甜又甜,列比嗨依哎依! 我問他呀,幾時拴線,他說:「最好就在今晚。」 這是愛情,不比閃電,真心愛我,再等兩三年,兩三年,唉!

註 小艾罕:傣族小伙子之名 列比嗨依哎依:情哥哥

短琵:橫笛

琴: 拉弦樂器 拴線: 結婚儀式

篝火:傣族姑娘紡織時用