



香港浸會大學
HONG KONG BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

PURCELL'S DIDO AND AENEAS

CONCERT VERSION

14 MARCH 2011 (MON), 8PM
CONCERT HALL, HONG KONG CITY HALL
\$100

COLLEGIUM MUSICUM HONG KONG
JOHNNY M POON, MUSIC DIRECTOR
WANG HUI, STAGE DIRECTOR

Joining forces with some of today's most promising vocal talents from the Opera Program at the CENTRAL CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC (Beijing), COLLEGIUM MUSICUM HONG KONG under the musical direction of JOHNNY M POON will present a concert version of Henry Purcell's most celebrated masterpiece, DIDO AND AENEAS.

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About Dido and Aeneas

Purcell's *Dido and Aeneas* is a highly charged drama of love, jealousy, and death. It is based on a story from the fourth book of Virgil's *Aeneid*, of the legendary Queen of Carthage Dido and the Trojan refugee Aeneas. When Aeneas and his crew are shipwrecked in Carthage, he and the queen fall in love. However, Aeneas must soon leave to found Rome. Dido cannot live without him and awaits death. This opera reigns as Purcell's crowning achievement and the final aria "When I am Laid in Earth" remains one of the most cherished moments in opera's storied history.

This production is presented by Hong Kong Baptist University as part of the Kang-Qian Project with financial support provided by the HKBU Strategic Development Fund. The collaboration with Central Conservatory of Music is made possible in part by a special grant from The China Fortune Foundation.

Cast

Liu Ying Ying, Dido
Han Jun Yu, Aeneas
Wang Yun Peng, Sorceress
Chen Yi Bao, Belinda
Yue Tian, Second Woman/Witch/Chorus
Li Dong Qi, Sailor/Witch/Chorus
Zhou Hong Wei, Witch/Chorus
Wang Xiao Yun, Witch/Chorus
Li Meng Ya, Witch/Chorus
Zhao Xing Long, Witch/Chorus
Zhao Zi Qi, Chorus
Han Chao, Chorus
Gao Jiao Tong, Chorus
Zhang Kai Xiang, Chorus
Ma Tian Long, Chorus

