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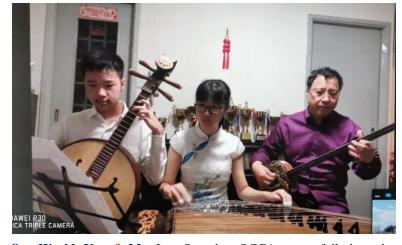


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One World, You & Me: Last Saturday, OCCA successfully hosted a live online Classical Chinese Music Concert featuring a family of talented musicians from Hong Kong. Photos of this special broadcast and student articles can be found on pages 2-5.

COVID-19 TIPS
Be Safe!

- 1. STAY INSIDE AND AVOID CONTACT WITH OTHER PEOPLE AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE (6 FT)
- 2. WASH YOUR HANDS AND CLEAN & DISINFECT SURFACES FREQUENTLY!
- 3. WEAR A MASK OR CLOTH FACE COVERING WHEN GOING OUT IN PUBLIC



三弦演奏大师赵太生先生简介

香港中乐团三弦首席演奏家。赵太生先生于八十年代末毕业于中央音乐学院民乐系三弦专业,现任中国音乐家协会会员,中国民族管弦乐学会会员,中央音乐学院香港校友会 理事,香港优才及专才协会理事。赵太生先生是一名享誉国际盛名的国宝级音乐家,他参与过众多的中国大陆与世界各地的重大演出,还出版了无数的民乐音乐作品的磁带或唱片,以及为电影或电视灌录乐音。移居香港后,赵太生先生被邀请参加了很多跨媒介的大型演出,例如与巨星李克勤的世界巡回演出, 3D舞剧"佛道",香港舞蹈团"在那遥远的地方",香港艺术节"九千年的邂逅"等等,其三弦表演 代表作品"黑土歌"已经成为香港中乐团的保留节目多年来唱响于世界各国。

Introduction of Mr. Taisheng Zhao, An International Master of Sanxian

Taisheng Zhao is the 1st Chair of Sanxian instrument performers in Hong Kong Chinese Orchestra. Mr. Taisheng Zhao graduated from the Folk Music major of the China Conservatory of Music in the late 1980s. He is currently a member of the Chinese Musicians Association, a member of the Chinese National Orchestra Society, the director of the Hong Kong Alumni Association of the China Conservatory of Music, and the director of the Hong Kong Talent and Professional Association. Master Taisheng Zhao is an internationally renowned national treasure-level musician. He has participated in numerous major performances in mainland China and around the world. He has also published countless tapes or records of folk music works, and recorded his music for movies or television. After moving to Hong Kong, Master Taisheng Zhao was invited to participate in many cross-media performances, such as the world tour with superstar Li Keqin, the 3D dance drama "Buddha Road", the Hong Kong Dance Company "A faraway Place", Hong Kong Arts Festival "The Encounter Of The Nine Thousand Years", etc., his representative work of the Sanxian performance" Hei Tu Ge "has become a reserved program of the Hong Kong Chinese Orchestra and has been well-known in all over the world for many years.



Introduction of Junior Musician Miss Zehui Zhao 趙澤慧, 曾獲第66/67/69 屆香港校际音乐节古筝独 奏初级组亚军、中级组及高级组冠军、深造组亚军, 第四届香港国际青少年表演艺术节古筝獨奏 冠军, 2019敦煌杯国际古筝大赛青少年業餘組金獎。 在第 64/65/67届香港校际音乐节比賽三弦独奏初级、高 级及深造组均获冠军,现為香港少年中乐团三弦首 席。 Zehui Zhao, won the runner-up of the Guzheng Solo Junior group, Intermediate and Advanced categorie Championship, runner-up of the advanced group of the 66/67/69 Hong Kong Inter-school Music Festival, the runner-up of the Guzheng Solo at the 4th Hong Kong International Youth Performing Arts Festival, 2019 Dunhuang Cup International Gold Medal of Youth Amateur in Guzheng Competition. In the 64/65/67 Hong Kong Inter-School Music Festival Competition, won the championship for the three-string solo elementary, advanced and advanced groups, and she is Currently the 1st Chair of the Hong Kong Junior Chinese Orchestra.



<u>Introduction of Junior</u> Musician Mr. Zexuan Zhao 趙

澤軒, 曾獲第67/71屆香港校际 音乐节比赛中阮独奏初級組冠 軍和中级组冠军, 第五届香港国 际青少年表演艺术节中阮獨奏初 級組冠軍, 国际总决赛獲银奖, 现为香港少年中乐团中阮演奏员。 Zexuan Zhao, won the Ruan Solo Junior and Intermediate Champions in the 67/71 Hong Kong Inter-School Music Festival Competition, Ruan Solo Junior in the 5th Hong Kong International Youth Performing Arts Festival, won the Silver Award in the International Finals, now he is Ruan music instrument Performer of Hong Kong Junior Chinese Orchestra.



《我眼中的中国古典音乐》 by 纽约橙郡中文学校高中学生 王安迪 Andy Wang

目前正是 COVID-19 冠状病毒肺炎在全世界大流行的时候,我们很多人都不得不整天呆在家里不能出门。处于这种不能正常社交的特殊时期,我觉得每个人的心理压力也一定特别大,所以世界各地的人们开始使用网络视频来进行社交互动,用各种媒体的方法把每个社区紧紧地凝聚在一起。

四月二十五号,这一天对我们纽约 橙郡华人协会的会员们来说是一个特殊 的日子。华人协会在网络 Zoom Meeting 举办了一场在线音乐会,"同一个世界, 你和我 (One World, You & Me): 来 自香港的问候"。我们橙郡华人协会吴康 健会长代表华人协会邀请了中国国宝级 的三弦大师赵太生和他的两个孩子从香 港给我们社区的华人们带来了一场精彩 的中国古典音乐会。

常优美。第二个表演的节目是赵太生先 生的三弦"乡韵"。三弦是中国古典弹拨 乐器,起源于秦代。因为有三根弦,所 以称为"三弦"。三弦广泛使用于中国曲 艺, 戏曲音乐以及民族管弦乐队。三弦 的构造分鼓头,琴杆,琴头和轸子等部 分。三弦演奏既有民间粗旷的演奏风 格、又具有丰富的抒情表现力。三弦的 长度有一点像我的吉他,差不多三到四 英尺长。三弦演奏家赵太生先生可了不 起啦! 他是香港中乐团三弦首席, 也是 香港文化大使。最為人樂道的是從 2011 年開始, 香港著名歌星李克勤世界巡回 演唱會中, 赵太生为他三弦伴奏, 还与 摇滚乐队合奏, 其中三弦的表演環節大 為精彩,總是引起全場觀眾的尖叫。第 三首曲子是少年赵泽轩用阮弹的。我长 这么大, 还是第一次看到阮这种神奇的 中国古典乐器, 所以上网查询以后才知 道,中阮是一种古老乐器"阮咸"的简 称,是古琵琶的一种。四弦有柱,形似月 琴相传西晋阮咸善弹此乐器, 因而得 名。中阮听起来安静,柔和,富有诗 意。演奏者赵泽轩和他姐姐一样, 在香 港也赢得很多比赛的冠亚军, 他现为香 港少年乐团中阮演奏员。他弹的曲目是 "龙灯", 我觉得曲子很有趣而且充满活 力, 听起来很有诗意。

音乐家赵太生和他的两个有音乐才 华的孩子还表演了许多别的中国古典音 乐曲目,其中赵太生大师还用埙跟他的 女儿一起弹奏了一曲"妆台秋思"。埙也是我第一次见到的古典乐器。据说今之有7000多年的历史。埙的大小、颜色的 纹饰、音域各异,演奏者可转动埙感音调。埙是土质乐器典范,音乐家一起演奏了莫扎特的"eine kleine nachtmusik"。中国古典乐器三弦、阮和古等合奏在一起真是美妙极了!我和能知言等合奏在一起真是美妙极了!我和愉快。

赵太生大师和他两个孩子的这场古 典音乐会的精彩表演, 给我们展现出了 鲜为人知的中国古典音乐风格之美。我 觉得这场音乐会的曲目都非常好听, 这 三位音乐家的表演技巧都很娴熟,他们 用他们的灵巧的手指给我们传递了中国 古典音乐的巨大魅力。在疫情蔓延的美 国纽约的今日, 我们还能观看到这么美 妙的音乐会,是在是太幸运了。正像橙 郡华人协会吴康健会长说的那样:疫情 无情, 音乐无界。这场音乐会吸引了众 多的世界各地的热心观众, 他们有来自 美国的,香港的,英国的,北京的,山 西的,我认为是中国古典音乐把我们 的心紧紧地连在一起的, 在疫情严重的 纽约,香港赵太生大师一家所表演的中 国古典音乐, 让我们在美国感到了温馨 和安慰。





《同一个世界: 你和我 来自香港的问候》by 纽约橙郡中文学校高中学生 施珊妮 Sunny Shi

4月25日,星期六的上午,纽约橙郡华人协会在吴康健会长的带领下,在Zoom Meeting上举办了一场精彩的网络音乐会。香港著名的三弦音乐家赵太生先生和他的家人与我们华人协会的朋友们在网络上欢聚一堂,音乐演奏家们给我们大家展示了许多优美好听的中国古典音乐。我深深地理解香港音乐大师们表演的目的,他们是希望分散我们大家对当今世界上大流行 COVID-19 的注意力,全心全意地给我们在 COVID-19 困境中的华人们带来温暖的问候和热心的鼓励。

在音乐会的演出中, 出色的乐器演

的观众们来参加这个有趣的音乐会,其中包括了中国人,英国人,美国人等等,我感到非常开心!因为虽然在这个非常时期,我们只能在网络视屏上看到其他观众们的脸部,可是我还是很高兴,因为它意味着我在视屏上所看到的每个人,他们都平平安安,健健康康。

借此机会,我想对三弦音乐家赵太生大师和他家人说声谢谢! 因为在香港的你们,为在黑暗中的我们带来了光明!疫情无情人有情!希望每个人在这一段艰难的日子里,大家都能保持您的安全和拥有您快乐!



A One of a Kind Show

by Angela Qiu

On April 25th, 2020, I had the pleasure of hosting the Zoom online concert, "One World: You and Me" featuring the talented, world renowned classical Chinese instrumentalist, Mr. Zhao Taisheng and his two children, Mr. Zhao Zexuan and Ms. Zhao Zehui. I was not able to sleep the night before due to excitement and nervousness: excited to see and hear the very different and unique Chinese instruments, but nervous to be the one hosting it. I have hosted shows before but this online concert was truly different and very new to me, but all in all a great experience.

Throughout the concert, there were mishaps here and there, such as me accidentally muting myself when I was talking and not saying everything when I was supposed to. These small mistakes



actually helped me learn how to turn every bad situation around. In the end, the concert ran more smoothly than I thought it would and I learned a lesson on top of that about how one should always try to remain calm when things do not go as planned. Rather than panicking, one should stop, breathe, and think of solutions around it. Experience truly is the best lesson. Grab every opportunity that comes your way no matter how foreign or new it is; it is how one grows up.

The concert, "One World: You & Me", took place in the middle of a very

difficult time for not only America and China, but for every human being in this world. This special online concert's goal was to provide warmth and hope to its attendees as well as everyone else able to view it through the recording. In addition, it introduced the Chinese musical culture to those who may be unfamiliar with it. Some of my friends attended and one of them said that she "really enjoyed it [and] the music was phenomenal". Hopefully, this online concert brought the community closer together as we are all fighting through this pandemic together.

My Music Hobby and I

by Leila Zhao 赵泽慧



I am Leila Zhao and I currently study at the Secondary 4 level (Grade/Year 10) at St Clare's Girls' School in Hong Kong. It was my honor to join this unforgettable performance to show the charm of classical Chinese music to people around the world and bring comfort and happiness to this wide audience during this quarantine. From a very young age, my brother and I learnt Chinese music from my dad, famous Chinese musician Zhao Tai Sheng, and we have won a lot of prizes at competitions. This was our first time performing live at home for people around the world. It has already been one week after the live performance and I still remember 2 weeks before when I first received the invitation from OCCA requesting a performance. Although our preparation time was quite tense and we had only had a few rehearsals prior to the live performance, my mom the camerawoman cheered me on and helped calm my nerves and doubts of whether people would receive my performance well. Finally, everything went well and the performance ended successfully. I really appreciate that OCCA gave me this valuable opportunity to perform in front of a worldwide audience and I also want to thank my mom. She was responsible for all the behind the scenes setup, such as effective lighting for example. To make the lighting softer, we held up rice paper against the chandelier with rice paper and to ensure that the live broadcast would run smoothly, we used two camera mounts to support the camera. I specifically chose three songs related to spring and happiness and I hope they conveyed a message that spring will be coming soon, and that mankind will defeat the virus to bring peace and joy to the world. It was a memorable experience for me and again I thank OCCA for organizing this live performance to share the passion of music and to the people who came to listen to our music. We hope our music was meaningful to you and we look forward to seeing you all next time.

《一场难忘的音乐会》 by 赵泽轩



朋友们好,我是赵泽轩,就读于英皇书院二年级。在过去的 4 月 25 日,我经历了人生最难忘、最温馨的夜晚:一场家庭音乐会的现场直播。那还得说在一周前,我们接到了美国华人协会的邀请,在这疫情肆虐之时,我和接受地、姐姐用我们手中的乐器,发挥音乐的力量举办一场音乐会,给大家送去欢乐。为了直播的顺利进行,我们在一周内进行了四次排练,每一次排练,我们的摄像师:我的妈妈,都会开 ZOOM 不断测试直播流畅度及表演效果,并对我们演奏的位置和灯光,提出了具体要求和改善,例如用宣纸贴在灯的表面,使其变得温柔一些,并且弄了两个摄像架,保证了直播的顺利进行。

虽然我表演的两首曲子都是我的获奖曲目,但因为第一次参加这么重要的演出,所以我还是有点紧张,所幸最终都圆满的弹奏了下来,本来我们还准备了合奏《茉莉花》,但由于时间所限,最后我们演奏了在美国家喻户晓的《噢!苏珊娜》。伴随着欢快的旋律,我们终于完成了这场具有特殊意义的直播,正如协会的康会长所讲:疫情无情人有情,愿我们全世界华人共同携起手来,抗击疫魔,早日恢复我们美好的家园。

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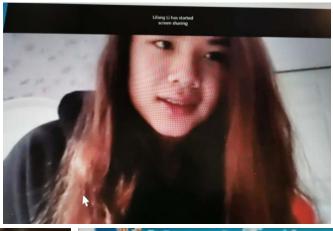


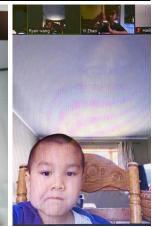


















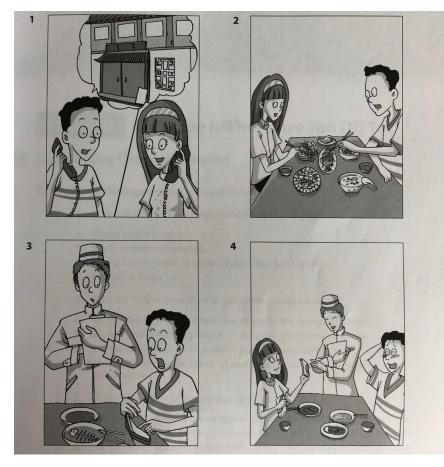






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看图写作文:《彼得和玛丽的一个小故事》 by 纽约橙郡中文学校高中学生 施珊妮 Sunny Shi



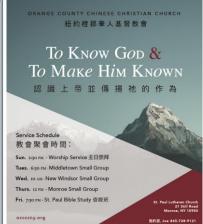
有一天,彼得饿得头昏眼花,想出 去大吃一顿。于是他打了电话给他的女 朋友玛丽,邀请玛丽跟他一起出去吃 饭。彼得带玛丽去一个很高级的餐厅。 走进餐厅的时候,玛丽有一点担心。她 问彼得钱包里是否有足够的钱吃饭?彼 得笑着说:"我当然有啊,你别担心吧! 你要吃什么就点什么!"玛丽和彼得俩都 点了餐厅最贵的菜。他们俩都觉的这个 餐厅的菜特别好吃。吃完后, 彼得建议 他们还可以吃点甜点。在他们两人满意 地吃完大餐后, 彼得告诉服务员他们可 以付账单了。当彼得伸手从口袋里拿出 钱包时, 他惊讶地发现钱包里什么都没 有。他把手伸到另一个口袋里,但是那 里也什么也没有。那个时刻彼得感到非 常得尴尬。他羞愧地看着玛丽、问她是 否可以付账?玛丽大笑起来了,她对彼 得说: "我当然可以!" 当他们离开餐厅 时,彼得感觉到非常抱歉,而玛丽却不 停的大笑着。

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