



Malaysian  
Philharmonic  
Orchestra



# SEASON 2025

WHERE EVERY BEAT TELLS A STORY

# ENCOUNTER

27 years on and the Malaysian Philharmonic Orchestra (MPO) continues to deliver experiences and opportunities that impact Malaysian communities throughout the country.

From Perlis across to Sabah, the MPO, through its Talent Development Programme, brings the joy of 'live' music performances to thousands of people of all ages and helps to support the burgeoning music culture in Malaysia.

The MPO's legacy of creating awareness is manifold: from capacity audiences at school concerts, school visits to the local musicians who the MPO have trained and gone on to further their studies abroad and graduated, and returning home to give back to the community.

Whether you are a mature novice or a child prodigy or somewhere in between, we have something for you.

For more information, please contact or email [talent@mpo.com.my](mailto:talent@mpo.com.my)



# MASTERCLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Experience the art of music interpretation and performance through our masterclasses and workshops. These exclusive sessions provide a unique opportunity to engage with renowned musicians, including visiting artists and MPO principal players, who will share their expertise, insights, tips and specialized techniques.

**Admission Fee**  
RM25 per person

**Bookings**  
Visit [mpo.com.my](http://mpo.com.my) for more information



# Masterclasses & Workshops Schedule

## Violin Masterclass

Charles Yang, violin

Date: 17 Apr 2025

Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm



## Big Band Workshop by Julian Chan

Jazz Orchestra

Date: 3 Oct 2025

Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm



## Horn Masterclass

Grzegorz Curyla, horn

Date: 29 May 2025

Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm



## Piano Masterclass

Martín García García, piano

Date: 9 Oct 2025

Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm



## Violin Masterclass

Bomsori Kim, violin

Date: 27 June 2025

Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

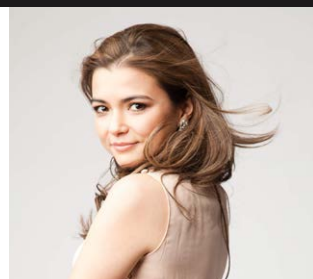


## Violin Masterclass

Karen Gomyo, violin

Date: 24 Oct 2025

Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm



## Piano Masterclass

Akiko Danis, piano

Coming Soon



## Guitar Masterclass

Milos Karadaglic, classical guitar

Date: 21 Nov 2025

Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm



# MALAYSIAN CHAMBER SHOWCASE

Experience a captivating musical journey in this special chamber ensemble showcase, where outstanding young talents of the Malaysian Philharmonic Youth Orchestra (MPYO) perform alongside renowned local musicians under the mentorship of the Malaysian Philharmonic Orchestra (MPO). Featuring a vibrant selection of classical masterpieces, this one-hour concert celebrates artistic collaboration, knowledge sharing, and the brilliance of home-grown talent on one inspiring stage.

## Upcoming Showcase

Date: 11 Nov 2025

Time: 8:00pm

Note: Each showcase takes approximately 1 hour.



# PRE-CONCERT TALK

The Pre-Concert Talk is held before a concert starts. The event will feature musicians from the MPO as well as experienced speakers who offer insights into the music that will be performed, highlighting the conductor, soloist or 'live' performances. The event is FREE for all ticket holders.

## Event Details

**Moderator: Gerard Salonga**

**Bomsori Kim Plays Bruch Violin Concerto**

Date: 28 June 2025, 7:00pm

Guest: Jaume Santonja, conductor

**Chopin Festival I**

Date: 16 August 2025, 7:00pm

Guest: Junichi Hirokami, conductor

**Holst's The Planets: A Cosmic Symphony**

Date: 13 Sep 2025, 7:00pm

Guest: Junichi Hirokami, conductor

**Chopin Festival II**

Date: 11 Oct 2025, 7:00pm

Guest: Rune Bergmann, conductor

**Mahler Symphony No. 4**

Date: 8 Nov 2025, 7:00pm

Guest: Junichi Hirokami, conductor

**Ballet Festival: Swan Lake**

Date: 5 Dec 2025, 7:00pm

Guest: Dancer/choreographer from  
Ballet Stars of Moscow

Note: Each talk takes approximately  
30 minutes.



# OPEN REHEARSALS

Here is a perfect opportunity for you to get an insider's view of the conductor, soloist and the MPO in action, and on how an orchestra prepares for a concert. These sessions are open to secondary schools and college students.

## Rehearsals Schedule

### **Charles Yang: Glass Violin Concerto**

Date: 17 Apr 2025

Time: 10:00am

### **Bizet 150<sup>th</sup> - A Symphony of Celebration**

Date: 16 May 2025

Time: 10:00am

### **Chopin Festival I**

Date: 14 Aug 2025

Time: 10:00am

### **Holst's The Planets: A Cosmic Symphony**

Date: 12 Sep 2025

Time: 10:00am

### **Guitar Serenade By Miloš Karadaglić**

Date: 20 Nov 2025

Time: 10:00am

## Admission Fee

FREE for government school student groups (primary & secondary) of 10 or more.

## Bookings

For school groups, please email at [talent@mpo.com.my](mailto:talent@mpo.com.my)

For individual bookings, visit [mpo.com.my](http://mpo.com.my)

## Note:

- Rehearsals may end earlier at the discretion of the conductor.
- Each rehearsals takes approximately 1 hour.





**27 May 2025**

Celebrate the talents of young musicians of the MPYO (mentored by the MPO) as they showcase exceptional musical skills in an evening that shines a light on the vibrant sounds of the violin. Beguiled with famed classical compositions such as Vivaldi's *Concerto for 3 Violins*, Glinka's *Ruslan And Ludmila*, Faure's *Pelleas et Melisande* and Beethoven's *Symphony 5 in C minor* with Gerard Salonga at the helm, witness the amazing Malaysian talents as they take on the next chapter in the country's music scene.

# VIVACIOUS VIOLIN with the MPYO



**8 Oct 2025**

As a continuation to recognise young talents in the country's classical music scene, the MPYO (tutored by the MPO) invites you to a magical evening. With Malaysian virtuoso Tengku Irfan at the helm, watch the MPYO hold its own in a showcase that consists of Tchaikovsky's *Romeo And Juliet Fantasy-Overture*, Sibelius' *Violin Concerto*, Dvorak's *Symphony No. 8* and a newly-commissioned Malaysian work. A display of local talents honed by the best musicians, watch the talented performers as they carve their space in classical music.



MALAYSIAN VIRTUOSO  
**TENGKU IRFAN**  
CONDUCTS THE MPYO

# HALL VISIT

Visit Dewan Filharmonik PETRONAS, Malaysia's first concert hall dedicated to classical music. Get an insider's view of what the concert hall looks like – acclaimed as one of the world's most beautiful halls with the finest acoustic environment.

## Bookings

This initiative is for all school groups (primary and secondary schools, colleges and universities) and subject to availability. All applications should be made at least two months prior to the intended visit. Please email us for more information.

## Duration

Each visit takes approximately 30-40 minutes

## Admission Fee

From RM17 per pax

Each visit will include the following:

- A brief introduction to the concert hall
- A short introduction to classical music
- A brief talk by DFP staff
- Question & Answer session



# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Music is a universal language which offers a common bond among people. It evokes emotions and rekindles memories. Music also allows us to celebrate and preserve our cultural heritage and explore the realms of our imagination, expression and creativity, resulting in a higher level of awareness and perception.

The MPO's outreach activities focus on bringing the beauty of its music outside of the DFP concert hall, exposing a wider community in appreciating and enjoying classical music. The programme offers short informal recitals and special presentations to community groups and institutions.

## SPONSOR A CHILD

Join the MPO in its 'Sponsor A Child' initiative — a meaningful effort that offers underprivileged children, students from various music institutions, and those from deserving schools the golden opportunity to experience the magic of live classical music.

## 'FOSTER A SCHOOL' PROGRAMME

The Foster-A-School Programme is part of the MPO's nation-building effort, working closely with government primary and secondary schools. Utilising public donations, MPO musicians generously share their knowledge and passion through regular workshops, live performances, and instrument demonstrations — helping to nurture a musically aware and inspired community.

**Sekolah Seni Malaysia**  
**Bahagian Sukan, Kokurikulum dan Kesenian,**  
**Ministry of Education**



## COMMUNITY CHAMBER SERIES

The MPO presents free chamber concerts, bringing music directly to communities. This series celebrates national spirit, creativity, and the power of connection — making world-class performances accessible to all.

Join us as we share the gift of music with the nation.

Time: 8:00pm

Venue: Mayor's Courtyard, Jalan Tangsi

### DBKL: Chamber Concert Series

13 May 2025

9 Sep 2025

4 Nov 2025



FESTIVAL ORKESTRA  
KUALA LUMPUR



MPYO  
at the  
Opera  
featuring  
*fiamma*  
OPERA STUDIO

25  
JUN  
2025  
WED 8:00PM

PERFORMANCE AT  
AUDITORIUM DEWAN  
BANDARAYA KUALA LUMPUR

# UCSI WIND AND BRASS DAY 2025

Date: 6 April 2025

Venue: UCSI University, Kuala Lumpur

## RONDOFEST 2025

Date: 3 – 7 June 2025

Venue: Stonyhurst International  
School, Penang



**RONDO  
FEST 2025**  
Music Festival

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festival  
MALAYSIA 2025

MALAYSIAN PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

**YUKAKO EMES  
YAMAMOTO**

FLUTEFEST MALAYSIA 2025  
ARTIST

## FLUTE FESTIVAL MALAYSIA 2025

Date: 27 - 28 September 2025

Venue: BSKL Auditorium,  
Lower Hill Campus

# MALAYSIAN PHILHARMONIC YOUTH ORCHESTRA



The initial steps towards realising the long-cherished dream of the late PETRONAS Chairman, Tun Azizan Zainul Abidin, to create a youth orchestra as a 'stage for young talents', alongside the Malaysian Philharmonic Orchestra (MPO), were taken on 13 January 2006. Some 500 aspiring musicians from across Malaysia auditioned and 110 – with an average age of 18 years – were selected to form the Malaysian Philharmonic Youth Orchestra (MPYO).

After a period of intensive training under mentors drawn from the ranks of the MPO, the MPYO gave its first public concert at Dewan Filharmonik PETRONAS on 25 August 2007. It has since established a pattern of music camps held three to four times a year, culminating in performances in Kuala Lumpur and beyond. It has since toured throughout Malaysia, and performed in Singapore, Brisbane, Hong Kong and Jakarta.

Auditions are held every year to provide opportunities for talented young Malaysian musicians to join the MPYO and participate in weekly orchestral training and performances, under the guidance of the MPO musicians as tutors.

The MPYO's music repertoire ranges from symphonic to specially-commissioned works by Malaysian composers. In 2010, an innovative project called 'Jazzaar' witnessed the MPYO collaborated with jazz musicians from the USA such as Fritz Renold and Randy Brecker. In 2015, the MPYO was given the honour to perform at the opening of the 128<sup>th</sup> International Olympic Committee (IOC) Session in Kuala Lumpur.

More than just a youth orchestra, the MPYO musicians are given consistent intensive trainings under the MPO's talent development programme through the transfer of knowledge, skills and expertise including discipline, teamwork and leadership in orchestral setting, participation in masterclasses and workshops with distinguished soloists, regular performances and collaborations with other youth orchestras. This is part of the MPO's initiative to nurture music appreciation among Malaysians.

# You are the reason

From the beginning, YOU have been our inspiration, motivating us through all of our hard work, hours of practice, commitment and challenges at every level. All of this is due to your love and support.

## ±9,000

Youths Empowered



## 51

Activities organised



## 37

Schools and Organizations





To develop local talents, in line with the sustainability and corporate social responsibility effort of the company



To engage our audience with a diverse selection of music and performances that appeal to all



To continue to inspire hope by bringing the love of music to everyone

**Be the instruments  
that keep us alive.  
#youarethereason**

# SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The MPO Talent Development Programme welcomes corporate companies to be part of our initiative through attractive sponsorship opportunities. Enjoy a variety of benefits including client entertainment, hospitality, and brand visibility. All sponsorship packages are designed to enhance your company's corporate image and support your marketing objectives.

In addition, sponsors will have the opportunity to be involved in charity events for underprivileged communities and school children, further amplifying your impact through music education and outreach. Join us as we contribute to the nation's musical growth and nurture future generations.

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# EMERGING FUTURE TALENTS

## 2025 AUDITION DATES

19 JAN 2025 | 13 APR 2025 | 6 JUL 2025 | 14 SEP 2025

MPO plays an active role in promoting, nurturing and cultivating the awareness and appreciation in classical music in Malaysia. A key component of this role is the encouragement and support towards homegrown music talents.

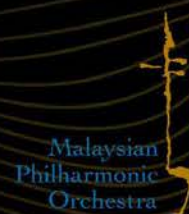
This audition is open to ages 10 to 28 years old during the audition year which provides a solid foundation in classical music for local talents on becoming professional orchestral musicians.

### Eligibility:

- Between the ages of 10 and 28 during the audition year.\*
- Continue to take lessons on the first choice instrument.
- Holder of a Malaysian passport/Identification Card.

*\*Exception to the age requirement is at the discretion of the MPO.*

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