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UPLIFT YOUR PATRIOTIC SPIRIT THESE MERDEKA AND MALAYSIA DAY WITH THE MPO!

In conjunction with the Merdeka Day and Malaysia Day celebration, come and join the Malaysian Philharmonic Orchestra (MPO) as they proudly present a new digital concert campaign called *MPO Patriotism Series*. This series, comprised of 7 videos, will be made available periodically for free on the MPO YouTube channel, MPO TV starting from **31 August 2021** until **16 September 2021**.

To be led by conductor **Ahmad Muriz Che Rose**, these digital concert series will witness the MPO pays tribute to several iconic patriotic works and folk songs, presented in unrivalled symphonic arrangements. The first video of the series will feature a special rendition of *Tanggal 31 Ogos* (formerly written and sung by singer Ahmad C.B, popularised by Sudirman) performed by the MPO and Malaysian Philharmonic Youth Orchestra musicians. This will be followed by another video of the MPO performing *Negaraku* and *Bahtera Merdeka*, uploaded on the same day on MPO TV.

Other works that will be featured in the following weeks are Suhaimi Mohd Zain's *Cindai*, Syed Haron Ahmad's *Warisan*, Tan Sri Ahmad Merican's *Tanah Pusaka*, Tuan Haji Madzhi Johari's *Puteri Santubong* and Dato' Mokhzani Ismail's *Malaysia Prihatin*.

Each of the works performed will be sprinkled with a video message and commentary about the works by some of the renowned figures in the local music industry. Some of the names that are set to be featured in this series are the MPO Patron **YABhg Tun Dr. Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali**, ORTM Music Director **Dato' Mokhzani Ismail**, arranger **Dato' Johari Salleh**, composer **Tuan Haji Madzhi Johari**, lyricist **Hairul Anuar Harun**, and popular Malaysian artists **Datuk Syafinaz Selamat** and **Aishah**.

Commenting on the campaign, Ahmad Muriz Che Rose said, "Other than to celebrate the 2021 Merdeka Day and Malaysia Day, this digital concert series was made as an appreciation towards the local symphonic compositions while also conveying the expressions of national sentiment

conceived in purely orchestral terms. It is an honour to present these famous patriotic works by legendary composers who have shaped the patriotic melodies throughout the years”.

Be part of this unmissable musical journey with the MPO this Merdeka Day and Malaysia Day, only on MPO TV!

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