



**Eighteen Canadian Performance Groups Share Modern and Classical Innovative Performances. Everything is on the double stage, the "Performing Arts Stage" and the "Jazz Stage"!**

To promote art and cultural exchange between Taiwan and Canada, the Taiwanese Canadian Cultural Festival invited 18 Canadian groups to bring multicultural music and dance performances to the audience this year. These shows will include modern and classical performances, reproduction of classics and innovative singing, and dance and percussion music that integrates the characteristics of different countries.

Vancouver Pops Orchestra & Choir was founded in 2010. Over the years, the group has performed a variety of music genres, including Disney movie tracks and Broadway musicals. The band was invited to the closing concert of the TCCF last year, which was deeply loved by the audience. They will be invited to perform Disney movie songs this year on the Vancouver Art Gallery North Plaza outdoor stage. The repertoire of the movie series will surely bring a happy and dreamy music feast to the audience.

The Taiwanese Canadian Ensemble comprises Taiwanese-Canadian cellist Judy Lou and several young musicians. They will perform classical jazz songs at the TCCF.

Proliferasian was founded by Taiwanese-Canadian erhu performer Lan Tung in 2012. The music material starts from Asian culture, hoping to break the boundary between East and West and bring new voices to the audience. The Naadaleela Ensemble, composed of famous musicians from Taiwan, Iran, South India, and North America, combines Persian and Indian classical music with Chinese music, adding North American jazz aesthetics. The performance is worth looking forward to.

Other music groups include Cookin' with Brass, a traditional New Orleans music style; The Louis Pettinelli Jazz Quintet, which performs classic jazz and popular modern dance repertoire; Doe Bender's Jazz Trio, which combines swing, Latin music and popular songs; and PK3 Jazz Trio, which has more than 20 years of live jazz performance experience.

Dance is also a highlight of the performances at the TCCF. Participating groups include Uzume Taiko, who combines Taiko drums with music and dance performances; Mexico Vivo Folklore Dance Group, which is proficient in dance from all over Mexico; and LH Performance Productions, which is often invited to perform at major local concerts and events.

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