## 北崑講座及大師班 Talks and Masterclasses of Northern Kunqu Opera

#### 燕歌趙舞—北方崑曲經典及其藝術特色

The Classic Repertory of The Northern Kunqu Opera Theatre and Their Characteristic Charm

講者 Speaker: 陳春苗 Chan Chun-miu

**19.5.2024** (日 Sun) 2:30pm 饒宗頤文化館G座博雅堂

Resources Centre, Block G, Jao Tsung-I Academy

(粵語主講 In Cantonese)

#### 崑劇表演傳承大師班 經典傳承《長生殿·驚變》

Masterclass on Kunqu Opera, with Disaster Strikes from The Palace of Eternal Life as a Classic Example

導師 Masters: 王振義 Wang Zhenyi 邵天帥 Shao Tianshuai

主持 Moderator: 崔文東 Cui Wendong 25.5.2024 (六 Sat) 2:30pm

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#### 崑曲清唱大師班(二) 淨角演唱特色:以《單刀會·刀會》為例

Kungu Vocal Masterclass (2) Vocal Features of the Jing Role in Kunqu as Exemplified by an Extract from To the Banquet Armed

導師 Master: 楊帆 Yang Fan 主持 Moderator: 陳春苗 Chan Chun-miu

**26.5.2024** (日 Sun) 2:30pm 饒宗頤文化館G座博雅堂

Resources Centre, Block G, Jao Tsung-I Academy

#### 《長生殿》的浪漫與哀愁

The Tragic Romance of The Palace of Eternal Life

講者 Speakers: 王振義 Wang Zhenyi

邵天帥 Shao Tianshuai 主持 Moderator: 陳亮亮 Chen Liangliang

**24.5.2024** (五 Fri) 7pm 饒宗頤文化館 | 座演藝廳

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#### 崑曲清唱大師班(一) 閨門旦演唱特色:以《玉簪記·琴挑》為例

Kunqu Vocal Masterclass (1) Vocal Features of the Guimendan Role in Kungu as Exemplified by an Extract from The Story of the Jade Hairpin

導師 Master: 顧衛英 Gu Weiving 主持 Moderator: 張麗真 Cheung Lai-chun

**26.5.2024** (目 Sun) 10am 饒宗頤文化館G座博雅堂

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#### 一曲霓裳傳千秋— 談《長生殿・彈詞》和《牧羊記・望鄉》的表演

The Timeless Song of the Rainbow Dress from The Palace of Eternal Life and Su Wu Herding Sheep

講者 Speakers: 袁國良 Yuan Guoliang 翁佳慧 Weng Jiahui 樂隊 Ensemble:北方崑曲劇院樂隊

The Northern Kungu Opera Theatre Ensemble

**22.7.2024** (— Mon) 5pm 饒宗頤文化館 | 座演藝廳 Theatre, Block I, Jao Tsung-I Academy

## 藝人談 Meet-the-Artists

#### 北方崑曲劇院的傳承與表演風格 The Legacy and Performing Styles of The Northern Kunqu Opera Theatre

講者 Speakers: 楊鳳一 Yang Fengyi 王振義 Wang Zhenyi 魏春榮 Wei Chunrong 楊帆 Yang Fan

主持 Moderator: 陳春苗 Chan Chun-miu

**18.7.2024** (四 Thu) 7:30pm

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19 - 20.7.2024 7:30pm 葵青劇院演藝廳

21.7.2024 2:30pm

Auditorium, Kwai Tsing Theatre \$500 \$400 \$300 \$200

唱詞、唸白均附有中文及英文字幕。







是次演出的劇目皆選取北崑經典代表作品,精心編排俱備四大特點,一為獨具燕趙風範:與南崑以生旦見長,細膩纏綿不同,北崑的老生、花臉戲尤擅勝場,此次演出讓觀眾一睹崑曲在水磨之外的豪邁一面。二為保存元雜劇遺存:崑曲後來多演明清傳奇,然有一大批雜劇借崑腔傳世,是次演出如《女彈》、《北餞》、《刀會》,皆出元代雜劇。三為展示少演劇目:完整的《出塞》、《問探》、《出獵》皆已少見於崑曲舞台,珍貴欣賞機會同時也是傳統崑曲藝術傳承的實踐。四為兼具唱做難度高:當說所有的戲要演得好,難度都是高的;然是次演出諸劇目都是大段演唱、身段繁複之作,難度尤其高,主要演員皆為一時之選,當不容錯過。

The programme features classics from the northern *Kunqu*, with four distinctive features as follows: first, they showcase the unique style of the northern Kungu Opera – unlike the intricate, amorous display of love between the male and female leads in the southern counterpart, northern Kungu's popular plays feature old man (laosheng) and painted face (hualian) roles, so the audience in Hong Kong will see the bold, heroic side of Kunqu which is a break from the delicate shuimo vocal style. Secondly, the programme shows how the legacy of zaju plays of the Yuan dynasty is preserved. While through centuries of evolution, Kungu tended to stage more *Chuanqi* productions during the Ming and Qing dynasties, a significant number of *zaju* plays had managed to pass down to posterity through the *Kunqu* form. Examples can be seen in *The Female Narrative Singer*, A Farewell Feast and To the Banquet Armed in this series. Thirdly, full versions of Lady Zhaojun Going beyond the Great Wall, Asking the Way and The Hunt are rarely staged on the Kungu stage. The opportunity to appreciate them is precious and also serves as a practical means of inheriting traditional Kunqu Opera art. Fourthly, the present productions are all challenging in terms of vocal and acting skills. Some may say it is a great challenge for any actor to perform well in any type of play, but the productions in this series involve extensive singing and complex stylised movements, so the challenge is especially daunting. The Northern Kunqu Opera Theatre has brought a stellar cast to Hong Kong on this occasion, so this is a rare opportunity not to be missed!

# 19.7.2024 | 五 Fri | 7:30pm

## 《長生殿》

《長生殿》借唐明皇與楊貴妃之愛情,寫盛唐天寶之變,歷來被評作「千百年來曲中巨擘。以絕好題目,作絕大文章,學人才人,一齊俯首。」,此般讚譽絕不為過。此劇保留傳統折子、經典唱段堪稱諸般傳奇之冠,戲曲理論家吳梅稱其集古今耐唱耐做之曲於一傳中。是次演出選取《定情》、《絮閣》、《驚變》、《埋玉》、《雨夢》等經典折子,集合整本傳奇最精彩且戲劇性最豐富的部分,由梅花獎得主魏春榮及王振義擔演貴妃與唐皇,堪稱當今最得帝妃神采風範之組合。

## The Palace of Eternal Life

The Palace of Eternal Life depicts the An Lushan Rebellion that occurred during the Tianbao era of Emperor Ming of Tang's reign. It narrates the love story between the emperor and his beloved Imperial Concubine, Lady Yang. It has been lauded as 'a monumental work in the millennium history of Chinese opera: its richly endowed subject has been exquisitely honed into a great literary piece that puts scholars and artists alike into humble submission.' Such accolades are well-deserved. The production preserves the tradition of acts and classic arias, thus earning it the crown among Chuanqi. Theorist of Chinese opera Wu Mei found it remarkable to be able to contain the most enduring thespian bravura pieces in one play. Classic excerpts such as Bestowing Treasures as a Love Pledge, Storming the Chamber, Dire News at the Banquet, Burying the Beauty and Dreaming in the Rain, which are also brilliant with high drama in this epic Chuanqi, make up one whole evening's performance. The two Plum Blossom Award winning leads – Wei Chunrong (Lady Yang) and Wang Zhenyi (Emperor Ming) – form the best regal pair on the Kunqu Opera stage today.

主演:魏春榮、王振義、于航、史舒越、劉恒 Main Cast: Wei Chunrong, Wang Zhenyi, Yu Hang, Shi Shuyue, Liu Heng

#### 20.7.2024 | 六 Sat | 7:30pm

傳統折子戲專場(一)

《連環記・間探》張暖

Asking the Way from The Chain Scheme Zhang Nuan

《昇平寶筏・北餞》史舒越

A Farewell Feast from the Qing Court Opera Shengping Baofa Shi Shuyue

《貨郎旦·女彈》顧衛英

The Female Narrative Singer from The Story of a Street Vendor Gu Weiying

《青塚記・昭君出塞》張媛媛

Lady Zhaojun Going beyond the Great Wall from The Tomb of Wang Zhaojun Zhang Yuanyuan

《單刀會・刀會》楊帆

The Sword Banquet Trap from To the Banquet Armed Yang Fan



《出塞》如今多成武戲,然而在北崑傳統中卻是唱作兼備;昭君力數群臣無能,反讓女子和藩,唱來一字一淚,怎不叫男兒汗顏。《女彈》出自元雜劇,一大套北曲唱來爽朗明快,九轉貨郎兒套曲一曲扣一曲,大正旦的唱功戲。《北錢》乃清代宮廷大戲取《西遊記》之內容,淨行唱功戲,幾已失傳,乃北崑循先賢舊本重排而成。《問探》乃武丑「五毒戲」之「蝎子戲」,丑行獨角戲,既要唱又有諸般絕技身段展示,當今已少有演員能演出。《刀會》是紅淨唱功戲,也是關漢卿名著,關公單刀赴會,唱盡「大江東去」,盡顯英雄氣概。



Lady Zhaojun Going beyond the Great Wall nowadays is often performed wei as a martial piece. But by its tradition, The Northern Kungu Opera Theatre continues to make it a well-balanced act of singing and acting. The protagonist, Lady Zhaojun, admonishes the court ministers for their incompetence, which causes her demise. As she leaves her homeland and goes beyond the Great Wall to marry a Xiongnu prince, she tearfully narrates the predicament she faces which puts the men to shame. *The Female Narrative Singer* originates from the *zaju* repertory of the Yuan dynasty. Here, the female lead (zhengdan) delivers a full set of nine tightly interlinked crisp and lively arias unique in Northern Kungu Opera from The Story of a Street Vendor. A Farewell Feast has its origins in Qing dynasty court drama. It is adapted from the dramatised version of the classic novel, Journey to the West, and is a bravura piece of jing actors in painted face roles, but has been so rarely performed that it has almost fallen into oblivion. The current production is revived from the Theatre's archive. Asking the Way is a solo performance picked from the martial clown's repertoire of 'Five Deadly Venoms', featuring the Scorpion.

The act requires good singing as well as a wide range of acrobatic skills – a feat that few actors can perform nowadays. *The Sword Banquet Trap* is another act that requires the actor in red painted face roles to show off good vocal skills. Adapted from the renowned work of Guan Hanqing, it gives a convincing portrayal of the heroic mien of Guan Yu as he heads off into a political trap in the name of a banquet all alone. The famous line 'the great river flows east' demonstrates his heroic spirit.

### 21.7.2024 | ∃ Sun | 2:30pm

傳統折子戲專場(二)

《天下樂・鍾馗嫁妹》楊建強

Zhong Kui Marrying His Younger Sister Off from Tian Xia Le – The Story of Zhong Kui and Du Ping Yang Jianqiang

《白兔記・出獵》劉巍

The Hunt from The Story of the White Rabbit Liu Wei

《**牧羊記·望鄉**》袁國良、翁佳慧

Looking Homeward from Su Wu Herding Sheep Yuan Guoliang, Weng Jiahui

《寶劍記・夜奔》劉恒

Fleeing by Night from Lin Chong on the Run Liu Heng

《鐵冠圖・刺虎》魏春榮、史舒越

 $\textbf{\textit{Killing the Tiger from The Prophecies of Taoist Monk Iron Headgear} \ \ \textbf{Wei Chunrong, Shi Shuyue}$ 

《鍾馗嫁妹》是熱鬧有趣,又充滿溫馨的「鬼戲」,北崑武戲出色, 諸小鬼「各顯神通」。崑曲《夜奔》享負盛名,除了文字好,飾林冲者 唱做要求極高,「女怕思凡,男怕夜奔」,絲毫鬆懈不得。《望鄉》 尤顯北崑融合南北崑曲之特點,老生與小生的對戲,一生忠義的蘇武 遇上滿腹委屈的李陵,經典唱段,劇力萬鈞。《出獵》是如今舞台上 難得由娃娃生擔綱之作,唱演別具特色。《刺虎》是韓世昌工刺殺旦 的代表作,功法「眼」、「面」俱到,備受讚美。宮女費貞娥佯裝明朝 公主,小人物行大忠義,尤其震撼人心。

### Traditional Opera Excerpts II

Zhong Kui Marrying His Younger Sister Off may be a gathering of ghosts, but it is also filled with the warmth of a good brother towards his younger sister. The show features martial arts displayed by the horde of demons. The Kunqu Fleeing by Night is a highly popular piece. Not only is the libretto well written, but it is a challenging act for the actor playing Lin Chong.

Looking Homeward is a fine example of blending the northern and southern Kunqu vocal and presentation styles. The protagonist is an ageing Su Wu, who meets a young Li Ling. Both have been wronged in their lives, and they sing the pain from their hearts. The Hunt is another rare production on the contemporary stage. Featuring wawasheng in child roles, the singing and acting are definitely unlike other plays. Killing the Tiger is a renowned piece in Han Shichang's repertoire that showcases cishadan (female assassin) roles. Her adept use of 'eyes' and 'facial expressions' has garnered recognition from numerous experts and audiences. The protagonist is a fiercely loyal palace maid called Fei Zhen'e. She is determined to avenge her country by impersonating the Princess of the Ming and assassinating the rogue.

手 Wei hunrong

每場節目長約3小時,包括中場休息15分鐘。

The running time of each performance is approximately 3 hours including an intermission of 15 minutes.

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