

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

# David Fung to Perform Tchaikovsky Piano Concerto No. 1 for NSWYO's Inaugural Concert at Verbrugghen Hall

7:00pm Saturday 28 November 2015 at Verbrugghen Hall, Sydney Conservatorium of Music



Image: Michael Xun

"Stylish and articulate" New York Times

"Unassuming charisma, charm and natural talent" Los Angeles Times

http://www.davidfung.com/media/gallery/index.html

### **About David Fung**

Described as "stylish and articulate" in the New York Times and praised as having "undoubted talent" by the Los Angeles Times, pianist David Fung is widely recognized for playing that is elegant and refined, yet deeply poetic and intensely expressive. A top prize winner in two of the "big five" international piano competitions (the Queen Elisabeth in Brussels and the Arthur Rubinstein in Tel Aviv), Mr. Fung has performed as soloist with the world's foremost ensembles. Recent engagements include performances with the Cleveland Orchestra, the Israel Camerata Orchestra, the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, the Israel Symphony Orchestra, the Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra, the National Orchestra of Belgium, the National Taiwan Symphony Orchestra, the New Japan Philharmonic, the Royal Chamber Orchestra of Wallonia, the Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra, the San Diego Symphony Orchestra, the San Francisco Symphony, the

Tampere Philharmonic Orchestra, and the Xiamen Philharmonic Orchestra, and with all the major orchestras in Australia, including the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra, the Queensland Symphony Orchestra, and the Sydney Symphony Orchestra.

A winner of the most prestigious national and international awards, Mr. Fung garnered international attention as a top prize winner of the Queen Elisabeth International Music Competition in Brussels and the Arthur Rubinstein Piano International Masters Competition in Tel Aviv, where he was further distinguished by prizes for Best Mozart Concerto and Best Performance of Chamber Music. In 2002, Mr. Fung was the Grand Prize winner of Australia's most important music prize, the ABC Symphony Australia Young Performer of the Year Award.

Mr. Fung was the first pianist to graduate from the Colburn Conservatory and is an official Steinway Artist.

#### **About NSWYO**

NSWYO presents youth orchestral programmes of the highest calibre in concerts, camps and tours across the State. It performs with Australia's best soloists, and presents workshops and masterclasses by the most accomplished musicians in the country.

Artistic Director and Conductor Thomas Tsai said, 'NSWYO gives young musicians exceptional orchestral training and experience. We are collaborating with leading orchestral musicians, conductors and educators.' We are honoured to have David Fung perform with us.

In addition to internationally acclaimed pianist David Fung performing Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No. 1, NSWYO will also present Saint-Saëns' thrilling *Organ Symphony*.

Auditions for NSWYO 2016 are now open to all musicians aged 25 & under who are of a standard equivalent to AMEB Grade 7 or higher. All eligible musicians should apply now at http://nswyo.com.au/auditions

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#### **David Fung Performs Tchaikovsky**

Verbrugghen Hall, Sydney Conservatorium of Music 7:00pm Saturday 28 November 2015 **Tchaikovsky** Piano Concerto No. 1 **Saint-Saëns** Symphony No 3, 'Organ'

Bookings at <u>www.nswyo.com.au</u>

**Tickets:** Adults \$20.00 Concession \$10 Family \$50

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