

HAB congratulates young Hong Kong conductor

The Home Affairs Bureau has congratulated Hong Kong-born conductor Jimmy Chiang Chi-bun on winning the 4th International Competition of Young Conductors "Lovro von Matacic" in Zagreb, Croatia.

The competition is organised every four years by the Lovro & Lilly Matacic Foundation, which was established in 1987 with an aim to improve the skill of exceptionally gifted young conductors.

A panel of 10 international jurors chose Chiang from 16 competitors from around the world.

He is the second young conductor from Hong Kong to win an international contest, after Ms Yip Wing-sie.

Chiang began his musical education at the age of four in Hong Kong. Since he was 13, he has performed as concert pianist at major venues with orchestras in Hong Kong and the United States. He has guest-conducted a number of orchestras both in Hong Kong and overseas.

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