

## **From the Desk of The A Cappella Society - February 2010**

Hi everyone!

In February we're heading into a quieter period as everybody is taking a New Year break. We'll still have some performances lined up after the holidays though. And don't forget to register for one of our vocal courses starting in March!

We won't be getting too lazy though at TAS as we'll be finalizing the line-up of performances for our Vocal Mania mega-event. Contact us if you're interested in participating in the event, as a performer, volunteer or audience.

Wishing everyone a Happy New Year of the Tiger!

Your team at The A Cappella Society  
[www.a-cappella.org.sg](http://www.a-cappella.org.sg)

*\* These updates are correct to our best knowledge. Should there be any errors, kindly note that they are non-intentional.*

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### **(1) WHAT'S NEW**

**QS** WORLDARTS TOUR [www.qsworldarts.com](http://www.qsworldarts.com)

# Singapore Arts Students, You Can!

**Free Admission to Students & Public**

**QS WorldARTS Tour 2010**  
Asia's First-Of-Its-Kind Festivals for Enrolling Students to Design Education and to the Creative and Performing Arts  
**Tuesday, 23 February 2010**  
**2.00pm - 8.00pm**  
**Raffles City Convention Centre (RCCC)**  
(Swissôtel The Stamford, 2 Stamford Road, Singapore 178882)  
Exhibition: Atrium Ballroom & Foyer, Level 4  
Performance: Bras Basah Room, Level 4  
Seminar: Orchard Room, Level 4

Over 100 arts, music and dance modules featured!

Meet and Greet:

- Favourite local band The GoodFellas
- Popular singer-songwriter Ling Kai

Plus, be enthralled by 'live' Thai boxing demonstration by Thai university students.

**Admission is free!**  
Simply pre-register online at [www.qsworldarts.com/register.php](http://www.qsworldarts.com/register.php)  
Visit [www.qsworldarts.com](http://www.qsworldarts.com) for more information!

Catch TAS Youth Voices' performance at the event at 6pm!

## **(2) UP-COMING EVENTS**

### **Vocal Mania, 11 April 10, The Arts House**

11 April 2010, The Arts House (Chamber, Play Den & Blue Room). The 1st simultaneous multi-concert fiesta! Part of The 1st Fund-Raising Initiative of The A Cappella Society.

Celebrate the power and beauty of the human voice with us! Join us at The Arts House for one full day exclusively dedicated to vocal music, from A Cappella, Choral or Solo singing to Musical Theater, Rock or Beatbox performances. Vocal Mania will be The A Cappella Society's first simultaneous multi-concert fiesta with the aim of raising funds for our society as well as to enter for the Singapore Book of Records for the most number of vocal concerts held in 1 venue in 1 day. With a diverse repertoire, there will be workshops and performances from TAS

groups and various local groups including choir groups. The A Cappella Society Ltd is an established charity and IPC with a strong and credible history in creating and promoting vocal music programmes in Singapore.

### **Youth Voices - Songs from Grease, 8 May 10, Esplanade Recital Studio**

The Yale Spizzwinks (?), 31 May 10, The Arts House Chamber

A Cappella Championships, 21-23 August 10, The Arts House Chamber & Esplanade Recital Studio

International A Cappella Festival, 18-31 October 10, The Arts House Chamber & Esplanade Recital Studio

A Cappella XMas Jam, 27 November 10, Esplanade Recital Studio

## **(3) TRAINING PROGRAMMES**

### **Pop Vocals course Jan-Feb**

Learn the fundamentals of singing in the style of Beyonce, Rihanna and other pop divas in this course! Singapore's soul sensation, Lim Huimin takes you on a musical exploration of the basics in pop singing, including securing breath control, posture, voice projection and singing through songs. Apart from pop & jazz vocal exercises that will help keep your voice in shape, you will also explore a variety of pop, jazz, mandarin songs and even ballads.

This course aims to provide singers with a good foundation in singing technique (posture, breathing, anatomy, support, tone production) and then guide you on how you can use your voice for a variety of musical genres.

The next course starts 11 March. [www.a-cappella.org.sg/training.html](http://www.a-cappella.org.sg/training.html)

### **Advanced Vocals course Jan-Feb**

Ring in the new year and relish in something you are passionate about! The A Cappella Society would like to invite you to sign up for the course "Advanced Vocals". Good news for friends who have previously attended Ms Huimin's "Pop Vocals course"; this course would be a continuation of the previous one, where strengthening of the voice remain as the main objective, plus we would be doing some styling and other aspects of singing. The next course will commence on 9 March 10, Tuesdays, 7.30pm, TAPAC. Please contact us at [contact@a-cappella.org.sg](mailto:contact@a-cappella.org.sg) if you're interested to know more about the course. We look forward to your replies and till then, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

## **ARTS EDUCATION PROGRAMME 2009/10**

For the next two years we can offer your school two programmes that are NAC approved and eligible for Tote Board subsidy:

### **ROCK POP A CAPPELLA WITH NANU**

The program presents A Cappella singing through an interactive session and demonstrates different styles and how a song is put together. It is a hands-on approach to exploring a cappella singing and vocal percussing. Hosted by a team from The A Cappella Society singing as an a cappella vocal band made up of professional singers, musicians and teachers, the session will introduce 3 tips in singing and share Vocal Percussion tips. Volunteer participation will be encouraged throughout the show and as a result the students will enjoy a highly interactive and very enjoyable and exciting presentation.

### **A CAPPELLA VOCAL JAM**

This light-hearted and highly interactive a cappella jam session will include tips on vocal technique and will encourage the general mass audience to take part in simple and repetitive musical stanzas that are built up into songs. This will be presented with the use of theater stage skills which will help in creating a better atmosphere for the audience to be willing to try their hand at making some music! The simple structure will give the students inspiration to make more of their own tunes come alive with imagination and creativity. Led by two veteran a cappella singers and performers, this session promises to be entertaining, inspiring and intriguing.

More details on our website [www.a-cappella.org.sg](http://www.a-cappella.org.sg)

## **(4) GROUPS**

### **THE A CAPPELLA SOCIETY CHILDREN'S POP AND JAZZ CHOIR**

Finally a choir where children can explore folk, pop and jazz music intrinsically through play, performance and theory.

Open to singers aged 8 to 13, this choir seeks to develop young singers with a good foundation in vocal technique, performance etiquette, musical development and artistic discipline.

The choir will be directed by Angelina Choo-Sassarak, Artistic Director of The A Cappella Society. Rehearsals are on every Saturday from 1pm - 3pm. Please email for an appointment or audition: [contact@a-cappella.org.sg](mailto:contact@a-cappella.org.sg)

### **THE A CAPPELLA SOCIETY YOUTH VOICES AND ADULT TEAM**

Want to learn the techniques of harmonising? Or simply want to immerse yourself in singing in a group? Here's your chance now! Auditions are now open for the youth voices (aged 13- 20) [practices are every Saturday 3pm-6pm.] and the adult team (aged 21 and above) [practices are every Monday 7.30pm]. Interested parties please contact us at [contact@a-cappella.org.sg](mailto:contact@a-cappella.org.sg)

## **TAS GROUPS**

nanu - Singapore's leading all-female A Cappella group

TAS Voices - a diverse contemporary A Cappella group

Acappuccino - a group with a wide repertoire ranging from Pop to Jazz

TAS Youth Voices - Singapore's leading youth A Cappella ensemble

Beatz - a group for today's music with Beatbox and Hip-Hop roots

If you are interested in engaging any of the groups for your event, simply send us an email at [contact@a-cappella.org.sg](mailto:contact@a-cappella.org.sg)

## **(5) MEMBERS**

Memberships for 2010 are now available for \$25, contact us for more details!

## (6) ADMIN

### SHOP WINDOW

#### **Aigo Andre**

Apple iPhone Battery Pack cum Protector: iPhone 3G/3GS Charger - rubber/plastic enclosure with battery indicator & removable stand, Works as a protection case. The removable stand allows easy viewing of media. Increase battery life by 100%! Charge/Data transfer through standard USB ports.

Price: \$129.00

#### **The Beelzebubs - Play The Game**

1. Typical [Mute Math] (arr. Rosen; solo McCormick) 2. Vehicle [The Ides Of March] (arr. Koutzoukis; solo Kluger) 3. Go Or Go Ahead [Rufus Wainwright] (arr. Lamm; solo Rosen) 4. Who Are You [The Who] (arr. Boyer B'04; solo Walker) 5. Dog Problems [The Format] (arr. Van Lenten; solo McCormick) 6. Party All The Time [Eddie Murphy] (arr. Lamm; solo Kluger) 7. Don't Think Twice, It's All Right [Bob Dylan] (arr. Boyer B'04, Lamm; solo Flynn) 8. Debra [Beck] (arr. Rosen; solo Rosen) 9. Rebel Yell [Billy Idol] (arr. Boyer B'04; solo Van Lenten) 10. Cologne [Ben Folds] (arr. Marshall B'03; solo McCormick) 11. All The Love In The World [Nine Inch Nails] (arr. Koutzoukis; solo Koutzoukis) 12. Goodbye Cruel World [Pink Floyd] (arr. Squibb B'92; solo Rosen)

Price: \$25.00

## Contact us

If you would like to submit articles, news and updates, volunteer your services or provide feedback, please do not hesitate to write us! We look forward to hearing from you.

For folks who are keen to join this mailing list, please send us a note to the same address.

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