

Australian Chamber Orchestra returns to Hong Kong

5-8 DECEMBER



The **Australian Chamber Orchestra** will return to Hong Kong this December to perform as ensemble-in-residence at **Tai Kwun's Prison Yard Festival**. Located in the vibrant, historic precinct of Tai Kwun, known as Hong Kong's 'cultural heart', the Festival brings together a line-up of outstanding local and international musicians for five days of performances.

Artistic Director **Richard Tognetti** and the Orchestra will open the festival with *The Ottoman Four Seasons*, the ACO's innovative collaboration with oud virtuoso **Joseph Tawadros** and riq master **James Tawadros** that explores Vivaldi's masterpiece in a coming together of two musical worlds. This acclaimed collaboration has been performed by the ACO and the Tawadros brothers on stages across the world, from Tokyo to New York, as well as two sold-out Australian tours.

Tognetti and the ACO will return to the Festival stage with music including Kilar's *Orawa* and Tchaikovsky's Serenade for Strings, performed with the ACO's characteristic virtuosity and high-octane energy.

The residency will also see ACO Principal Cello **Timo-Veikko Valve** join the award-winning Cong Quartet as special guest to perform Schubert's beloved String Quintet in C.

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The ACO is Australia's most travelled orchestra, regularly touring internationally up to three times a year in addition to its busy national touring season. Following tours to the US and Hong Kong in 2024, the ACO will tour to the UK and Europe in 2025, in what marks the Orchestra's 50th Anniversary Season.

The ACO's residency at Tai Kwun's Prison Yard Festival is supported by the National Foundation for Australia-China Relations.

PRISON YARD FESTIVAL

AUSTRALIAN CHAMBER ORCHESTRA RESIDENCY

Richard Tognetti Director & Violin Joseph Tawadros Oud James Tawadros Riq & Bendir Australian Chamber Orchestra

The Ottoman Four Seasons

Thu 5 Dec & Sun 8 Dec

ANTONIO VIVALDI The Four Seasons Music by JOSEPH TAWADROS Original Ottoman Baroque works

The Australian Chamber Orchestra Sat 7 Dec

WOJCIECH KILAR Orawa PAVEL HAAS String Quartet No.2 'From the Monkey Mountains' PYOTR ILYICH TCHAIKOVSKY Serenade for Strings

Cong's Schubert Quintet

Sun 8 Dec

ADRIAN WONG Childhood Sweet, for string quartet FRANZ SCHUBERT String Quintet in C major, D.956

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