



Vocalist Ms. Ying-ying Shih

Ying-ying Shih is a Taiwanese jazz, pop and gospel singer/songwriter. She has been invited to perform at some of the nation's major jazz festivals and lent her voice to the Taiwanese production of stage play "Tuesdays with Morrie" and Taiwanese movie "Jump, AShin!". Her debut solo album "Someone Is Praying for You" received a Golden Melody Award (Taiwan's most prestigious music award) nomination for Best Vocal Performance in summer 2010. She released two subsequent albums "Silent Night" and "Songs for Grandma" which were also warmly received by the audiences. She is currently touring as backing vocalist for Asian pop sensation Leehom Wang and holds her own mini concerts at live music venues around the island as well as overseas (Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia, Japan and USA).

After receiving her bachelor's degree in English from National Taiwan University, Ying-ying left for Cambridge, Massachusetts to pursue graduate studies on gender and second language acquisition at Harvard University. Her love for travel and languages led her to further adventure in Japan after she completed her journey in the US. After she returned to Taiwan, she spent 3 years working in office settings and finally decided that her performing aspirations could no longer wait. She then quit her job to pursue a career in singing. Since then, she has been seen in several musicals, performed at some of the island's most prestigious

jazz festivals, done backup singing for pop singer Wang Leehom, released three albums and held her own mini concerts worldwide.

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Pianist Ms. YuYing Hsu

YuYing Hsu is a award-winning Taiwanese jazz pianist and composer who has performed in legendary jazz clubs such as Birdland, Sweet Rhythm and with renowned musicians such as Alex Sipiagin, Michael Philip Mossman, Antonio Hart and the complete violinist Benjamin Schmid.

Her debut album “Untitled,” won two Golden Indie Music Awards 2011 for Best Jazz Album and Best Jazz Single. The prestigious award is Taiwan’s version of the Grammy. YuYing has a Master of Music degree from Purchase College, State University of New York and studied with piano masters such as Gerard D'Angelo, Hal Galper, Arturo O'Farrill and Sam Yahel.

In 2010, YuYing returned to Taiwan and has since been invited to perform in major music festivals such as Shanghai Jazz Festival, Taichung Jazz Festival, Summer Jazz Party held by National Theater Concert Hall, Rock'N Jazz of the Young World and Simple Life. She has also held her own concerts and performed at various jazz venues around Taiwan.

This year (2012), YuYing has performed with world-renowned violinist Benjamin Schmid at Taipei ZhongShen Hall (April), as well as with trumpet virtuoso Alex Sipiagin (June). She has also toured with Teriver Cheung Trio in Taiwan, China and Hong Kong (May). In July, YuYing will be playing with P. Mauriat endorser, saxophonist Adam Larson at a Taipei local jazz club - Sappho de Base. YuYing will also be the pianist for 2012 NTCH Jazz All Star Project. This project will give a concert on September 1st at the National Concert Hall, which will bring together Taiwanese jazz musicians under the leadership of legendary jazz drummer Albert "Tootie" Heath, as well as Michael Philip Mossman and Antonio Hart in a 14-piece ensemble.

An avid listener of jazz music, YuYing seeks to fuse improvisation with her own life experience. She takes inspirations and thoughts of her travels and her love of Francis Bacon's art and turns them into musical notes that bounce off the pages, as heard in her original, award-winning piece Twisted One. Through her music, YuYing hopes to share her emotion, passion and love of life with listeners around the world, one performance at a time.

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