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### Singing in harmony

Bass, alto, tenor and soprano come together in harmony when two young choirs appear at the Securities Commission Auditorium in Kuala Lumpur this Friday.

The *Great Eastern 'Life Is Great!' Across Borders Concert Recital* will feature Malaysia's own Operafest Children's Choir and the Piedmont Choirs from the United States.

The host of this concert recital is Great Eastern Life Assurance (Malaysia) Berhad in support of its charity project ChildrenCare.

Launched in 1995, ChildrenCare was initiated to instil the spirit of caring and sharing among employees and members of the Great Eastern's agency force.



The Piedmont Choirs from the United States.

Over the last 10 years, almost RM1mil has been donated to more than 70 children charities across Malaysia via ChildrenCare. Apart from channelling donations to charity organisations and homes under the umbrella of national Welfare Foundation, ChildrenCare also organises projects and events for special and needy children, such as 'Life Is Great!' Across Borders Concert Recital, Children's Forums, Art Therapy Sessions and Youth Camps over the years.

This concert recital will showcase the outstanding display of vocal talents from Operafest Children's Choir under the direction of its founder and artistic director Kam Sun Yoke and a special appearance by Piedmont Children's Choir from San Francisco, with music from around the world.



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The Operafest Children's Choir has performed in the United States, India, Australia, Macedonia, Greece, Spain, Argentina, Singapore and most recently in South Africa. The choir has also sung with the Vienna Boy's Choir twice.

The internationally acclaimed Piedmont Choirs comprising 350 young singers performing in 12 different choral groups with members are drawn from 98 schools from the San Francisco Bay Area.

The Piedmont Choirs are particularly known for their exploration of new music and for their national and international activities.

They have commissioned and premiered many new works, and have collaborated with major Bay Area performing arts organisations including the San Francisco Symphony, San Francisco Opera, Oakland East Bay Symphony and Berkeley Symphony.

The Choirs have made 18 international concert tours, most recently to five cities in China in 2005.

The Piedmont Choirs also sponsor the Golden Gate International Children's Choral Festival. The festival draws notable children's choirs from six continents.

Robert Geary, founder of the internationally acclaimed Piedmont Children's Choirs and founder of the award-winning professional ensemble Volti, also holds directorial positions with the San Francisco Choral Society and the Golden Gate International Children's Choral Festival. – **By Jason Cheah**

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