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Concerts galore

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The 27th International Society for Music Education World Conference 2006 will be held at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre at the KLCC from July 16 till 21.

In conjunction with the conference there will be concerts and showcases galore featuring ensembles young and old, vocal and instrumental dotted around the city.

Among the main highlights of these performances include a fringe festival – Festival “Sentuhan” that will see more than 10 local and international ensembles gather at the Kuala Performance Arts Centre (KLPac) from July 17 to 19 to showcase their musical talents.

Tickets are priced at RM20 (adults) and RM10 (students, senior citizens and disabled) and are available from the box office at 03-40479000/[tickets@klpac.com](mailto:tickets@klpac.com) or TAS@BSC /03-20949400 / [tickets@theactorsstudio.com.my](mailto:tickets@theactorsstudio.com.my).



Australian Voices.

The schedule for the KLPac performances is as follows:

July 17, 3pm, Pentas 2 Ballanta Academy (Sierra Leone) and Ikusasa Lethu (Sierra Leone)

July 18, 3pm, Pentas 2: Koto Performing Group (Japan) and Gagaku Music Society (Japan)

July 19, 3pm, Pentas 2: Harp Harmonia (Malaysia) and VSVS String Ensemble (Australia)

8.30pm Pentas 1: USM's Jeep Latino Jazz (Malaysia) ICOM Jazz (Malaysia) Perth Youth Dixieland Orchestra (Australia),

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July 20, 3pm, Pentas 1: The Australian Voices (Australia), Chung Hua Alumni Choir (Malaysia), Young Conservatorium Singers (Australia), Now Ensemble (Finland) 8.30pm, Pentas 2: Temple of Fine Arts (Malaysia), Indian Classical Solo (Malaysia)

Over at the Dewan Filharmonik Petronas, three concerts will be held in conjunction with the conference on July 18. The first concert will be held at 12.50pm.

This one-hour concert will present performances by the Jit Sin Chinese Orchestra from Malaysia and The Australian Voices. Tickets are priced at RM5 for the public and free for ISME delegates.

The second concert will start at 6pm, featuring the Koto Ensemble from Japan and Menora from Universiti Teknologi MARA. Tickets are priced at RM5 for general public and free for ISME delegates.

The highlight of the day is a concert at 8.30pm, which will present performances by the Keystone State Boys' Choir (United States), Miaoli Children's Choir (Taiwan), Viva (Norway) and Malaysia's own The Operafest Children's Choir. Tickets are priced at RM10 for public and ISME delegates.

The DFP will also hold an exhibition at Conference Hall 2 and & 3, Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre from July 18 to 20 (9am to 6pm) and July 21 (9am to 2.30pm). For tickets bookings, call the box office at 03-20517007/fax 03-20517077 or e-mail [dfp\\_boxoffice@petronas.com.my](mailto:dfp_boxoffice@petronas.com.my).

Other venues will also be staging performances including KLCC and Berjaya Times Square concourses, Sedaya International University College, Planet Hollywood, Sokai Gakai Hall and others. Visit the ISME website at [www.isme.org](http://www.isme.org)/isme2006 or call the secretariat at 03-62010324 for information on both the conference and its accompanying performances.

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