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HK Phil Proudly Presents BBC *Planet Earth* in Concert Bringing All the Wonders of Nature into the Concert Hall (6 & 7 Feb)

[7 January 2015, Hong Kong] If you were moved by all the wonders of nature revealed on the TV spectacular *Planet Earth*, you must not miss the BBC *Planet Earth* in Concert brought to you by the **Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra (HK Phil)** and conductor **Benjamin Northey**. BBC *Planet Earth* in Concert has toured extensively and will come to the stage of the **Hong Kong Cultural Centre Concert Hall** on **6 and 7 February**.

"Audience members were treated to some amazing high-def footage of rarely-seen natural wonders from around the world, the visuals took on extra impact by the virtue of George Fenton's lush score"
--- Chicago Tribune

Planet Earth in Concert offers the audience a completely new visual experience which could never be experienced on television – a spectacular evening of music and images, featuring breathtaking high definition footage, from the towering peaks of Nepal to the lush green of the Amazon, from the dry-sculpted crescents of the Sahara to glistening polar icecaps, all captured BBC's Natural History Unit, the world's leading producer and broadcaster of Natural History content, for the award-winning landmark series *Planet Earth*. Discover our stunning world through this unique concert.

Holiday, Pops & More: BBC *Planet Earth* in Concert will be held on **6 & 7 February 2015 (Fri & Sat)** at **8PM** in the **Hong Kong Cultural Centre Concert Hall**. Tickets priced: \$360, \$280, \$200, \$140 are now available at URBTIX. For enquiries, please call +852 2721 2332 or visit www.hkphil.org.

Opening performance sponsored by Great Eagle Holdings Limited

Artists

Benjamin Northey, conductor [[full biography](#)]

Benjamin Northey was appointed Associate Conductor of the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra in 2011. He has appeared internationally with the London Philharmonic Orchestra, The Mozarteum Orchestra Salzburg, The New Zealand Symphony Orchestra, The Southbank Sinfonia of London and more. He takes up the position of Chief Conductor of the Christchurch Symphony Orchestra from 2015.

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For ages 6 and above

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Benjamin Northey
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The Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra
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Programme

Live Concert featuring footage from the popular TV series

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The Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra (HK Phil) is the city's largest and busiest musical organisation and is a vital part of Hong Kong's cultural life. With its roots stretching back well over a century, the HK Phil made its professional début in 1974. It has now evolved into an orchestral powerhouse in the region, and an acclaimed cultural centrepiece of Asia's World City.

The HK Phil is formed on the belief that a great city deserves a great orchestra. Annually it presents over 150 concerts attracting 200,000 music lovers. Through its acclaimed education programme, over 40,000 young people have learned about orchestral music last year. Featuring an enviable roster of international conductors and soloists, the HK Phil performs a broad variety of music, with many concerts presented free; among them the annual Swire *Symphony Under The Stars*.

The Swire Group has been the Principal Patron of the HK Phil since 2006. Through this sponsorship, which is the largest corporate donation in the orchestra's history, Swire also endeavours to promote artistic excellence, foster access to classical music and stimulate cultural participation in Hong Kong, and to enhance Hong Kong's reputation as one of the great cities of the world.

The HK Phil's members come from every corner of the globe, with a strong core of Hong Kong musicians. In September 2012 Jaap van Zweden became the orchestra's Music Director. Future years will see an ambitious series of new projects, with major international tours, renewed local partnerships and large-scale concert events. The HK Phil has commenced a multi-CD recording project for Naxos featuring works by Chinese composers and Richard Wagner's *Ring Cycle*.

The Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra is financially supported by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

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