

Foundation to hold charity concert in aid of kidney patients

THE Jeffrey Cheah Foundation and Sunway University will host the “Choral Serenade to Music,” featuring one of the UK’s leading collegiate choirs, University of Cambridge’s Choir of Gonville and Caius College, accompanied by the distinguished Malaysian Philharmonic Orchestra.

The concert will take place on Aug 17 from 7.30pm to 10.45pm at the Grand Lagoon Ballroom, Sunway Resort Hotel & Spa in Bandar Sunway.

All proceeds from the concert will go towards the sponsorship of dialysis machines for the National Kidney Foundation’s high-need dialysis centres in Sabah, Sarawak and Selangor.

Under the direction of Dr Geoffrey Webber, the Caius College Choir will perform a wide range of choral music spanning the centuries from Mozart to Franz Schubert, John Tavener and Cheryl Frances-Hoad.

Lauded by the *BBC Music Magazine* for their “poise and technical control,” the choir has established a stellar reputation by performing concerts both in the UK and abroad, appearing in prestigious concert series in the UK such as the Aldeburgh Festival and Spitalfields Festival in London, and in concert halls across the world from the US to China.

The choir has sung alongside professional orchestras including the Philharmonia Baroque of San Francisco (Handel), l’Orchestre National Bordeaux-Aquitaine (Bach, Haydn), the Aurora Orchestra (Schubert) and the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra (Holst).

The choir’s recordings have been internationally recognised for their quality and innovative approach to repertoire through excellent reviews and by featuring as Critics’ Choice in the *Gramophone* magazine and Choral CD of the month in the *BBC*



Members of the Gonville and Caius College Choir will also perform an arrangement of Malaysian folk songs.

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In a special performance that pays tribute to Malaysia’s musical heritage, the choir will perform an arrangement of Malaysian folk songs, handpicked and accompanied by Tunku Zain Al-‘Abidin Tuanku Muhriz, Trustee of the Jeffrey Cheah Foundation, on the piano.

A single dialysis machine can carry out 939 dialysis sessions a year, with a total lifespan between eight and 10 years.

This will enable treatments to be subsidised for the increasing number of kidney patients who require affordable treatment, and reduce the burden on current dialysis centres nationwide.

Every year, 7,000 new patients are diagnosed with kidney failure.

The National Kidney Foundation (NKF) is a non-profit charitable

organisation dedicated to helping Malaysians suffering from end-stage kidney failure who lack access to or cannot afford dialysis treatments.

Currently, NKF has more than 1,600 patients receiving subsidised dialysis treatments in 26 dialysis centres nationwide.

This year, it is estimated that there will be a shortfall in funds required to offset the RM18.2mil needed to provide subsidised dialysis treatments and offset operational expenses.

To contribute, visit <https://jeffrey-cheah.foundation/donation/choral-serenade-to-music/> or contact Rusnah Mohyiddin at 03-5639 8094/ rusnahm@sunway.com.my

Donation packages are available by dinner tables, which includes a seven-course meal or by individual passes (without dinner).