

Press Release

Hong Kong-based indie folk rock band “NOUGHTS & EXES” featured at the WATER MUSIC FESTIVAL 2013 in Berlin

Showcasing Hong Kong’s vibrant music scene, popular band NOUGHTS & EXES gave an inspiring performance at the annual WATER MUSIC FESTIVAL in Berlin on 3 August. Organised by the House of World Cultures and sponsored by the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office Berlin (HKETO Berlin), the 2013 edition of the festival runs from 18 July to 11 August under the theme of “The New Pacific”.

With bittersweet harmonies, orchestrated with violin, cello, glockenspiel, guitars, piano, and melodica, NOUGHTS & EXES covered the full spectrum from intimacy to pathos. About 1 000 people enjoyed the concert which was followed by a performance of renowned Australian guitarist Robert Forster and the screening of multiple-award-winning Australian movie “The Goddess of 1967”.

NOUGHTS & EXES is a critically acclaimed indie folk rock band based in Hong Kong. Their second album, “The Start of Us”, gained worldwide recognition and saw the band atop many year-end ‘Best Of 2010’ charts. In 2011, *TIME Magazine* named NOUGHTS & EXES ‘Number 2’ on its list of the ‘Top 5 Bands to Watch’. Having performed in Canada, the United States and across Asia before, the WATER MUSIC FESTIVAL in Berlin presented the first ever performance of NOUGHTS & EXES in Europe.

Following the performance of William Shakespeare’s tragedy “Titus Andronicus” by the Tang Shu-Wing Theatre Studio in July and that of the NOUGHTS & EXES at the WATER MUSIC FESTIVAL, the HKETO Berlin will continue to explore opportunities for further exchanges between Hong Kong and Germany in the cultural sector. In October and November 2013, two Hong Kong Film Festivals will be staged in Hamburg and Berlin respectively.

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