

## Art & Culture Group 2018/3/7 O-BANK's Virtuoso Horn Ensemble

It is always a pleasure to go to O-Bank's concert, despite the hectic traffic in the Nei-hu district during late afternoon rush hour. It is a full house as usual, and we are very thankful to Chairman & CEO Mr. Lo for arranging special VIP seats beside him for our Diplomatic Corps members.

The star of the evening no doubt is Mr. Kerry Turner, who is an American composer, horn player, tenor, and a guest lecturer in composition at several renowned music schools. Along with several talented musicians from our National Symphony Orchestra and Art Nova Quartet, the audience is enchanted by the music of Handel and Mr. Turner's own compositions. Mr. Turner is a great educator, so he gave vivid description of how sparks of inspiration came to his mind when composing all his music numbers. It is very romantic how he chose to stay in the same old hotel as his fellow horn players several hundred years ago, and the anecdote of how he paced up and down the cobble-stoned alleys of Barcelona and felt that the ghosts were talking to him.

It was an evening filled with laughs and good music, and in the end, Mr. Turner even sang a few lines from an Opera number. We gave him a standing ovation to end the evening.

By Jessica Liu Chia

