



OWEN LI (LAI JIA JIE OWEN) BIOGRAPHY

Owen is a singer, arranger and pianist who has been performing since the age of 7. Starting off as a classical pianist at the age of 4, Owen has been under the tutelage of several renowned music educators such as Dr Ernest Lim, Ms Patricia Lim (Yamaha Music School), Ms Shok Meng Khoong (Music Workshop), Ms Felicia (Studio Verve). Owen has also attended masterclass sessions from renowned musicians such as Mr Manfred Fock. Owen quickly attained his ABRSM Grade 8 practical piano and ABRSM Theory Grade 5 certificates at the age of 12. He attained his Grade 8 in POP Vocal Performance (2016), Diploma in POP Vocal Performance DipLCM (2017) and Associate Diploma in POP Vocal Performance ALCM (2018) with the London College of Music UK respectively.

Inspired by various artists like Mariah Carey, Ariana Grande and Pentatonix, Owen started shifting his focus to composing and performing more contemporary styles of music.

At the age of 13, Owen had been honing his skills as a contemporary vocalist and instrumentalist. During these formative years, Owen highly enjoyed competing to hone his craft as a vocal performer, attaining finalist and champion statuses in various singing competitions such as Youth's Got Talent (2015), KWC international (2017) and The Grand Arena SG (2019).

Owen is also an official alumni of local music education centre "Lee Wei Song School Of Music", where he had studied under the direct supervision of the Lee brothers and Ms Estella Sia. Owen has also been under the supervision of Ms Yvonne Loh of the singing Loft and is currently working closely with Ms Sara Wee of 53A on his vocal technique.

Owen is a regular performer in the music scene, writing and producing his very own originals. An active vocal arranger, Owen draws influences from his classical background and interest in contemporary a cappella music. He has worked on many vocal arrangements in different styles and genres including as the official vocal arranger of 'LA DIVA!' - A Tribute to Aretha Franklin staged several times at LASALLE College of the Arts, including the critically acclaimed LASALLE Show in 2019

Owen was the co-arranger and the youngest member of 'Flatfive', a local a cappella group that has performed at Universal Studios Singapore, several Christmas shows and events, private functions, and corporate events. Composing and arranging for various artists and groups, Owen is also a vocal director and producer.

His duo 'Owen & Ben', with Benedict Tian, is often seen appearing to entertain his audience from different walks of life, simply aspiring to bring them joy. Owen, Emmeline & Ruben performs regularly as a band at prominent venue that gets their audience singing along and dancing on the dance floor. You may also know Owen singing alongside fellow artists Ilina Hats & Perry Pluto in the powerhouse vocal trio: 'Third Degree', of which he is the designated arranger and musical director. 'Third Degree' is commented by Dick Lee as the 'Most Incredible Vocal group, each very strong and brilliant Soloist. They are very talented'. Owen is also the Leader and Vocal Director of The Island Voices, coined as the Best Singers on the Island by Award winning Music Director Don Richmond. TIV was the official vocal choir of the Singapore National Day Parade 2022.

Owen graduated from LASALLE College of the Arts, Diploma in Music with Distinction (2020) and was awarded the Lasalle Award for Academic Excellence in the Diploma Category of the School of Contemporary Music (2020).

Owen performs on large platform stages and intimate ones alike throughout his musical journey. He is currently followed by supporters from around the world of which he considers them the most important and loved people accompanying him in his continuous endeavour.

Owen host and produce of his own vocal talk show - ALL THINGS VOCALS!

Owen is the Vocal Director of the Singapore National Day Parade 2022.

Highlights

2018 LA DIVA A Tribute To Aretha Franklin

2017–2019 USS Christmas A Cappella Show

Dec 2021 Christmas Concert with Dick Lee

Aug 2022 NDP2022 Vocal Director and Performer

June 2022 Dick Lee Concert @ Esplanade

Sep 2022 LINYING Concert @ Esplanade

Oct 2022 F1 with Third Degree

Oct 2022 Rolex Private Event

Oct 2022 Room To Read Charity Gala

Oct 2022 TikTok APAC GBS Summit Event

Endorsements

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