

TAIWANESE CHAMBER MUSIC ENSEMBLE,

CICADA RELEASE NINTH ALBUM

"SEEKING THE SOURCES OF STREAMS".

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Taipei, Taiwan (February 1, 2023) – Taiwanese chamber music ensemble, Cicada, after releasing the award-winning "A Man" Japanese movie original soundtrack,
Cicada has returned with its ninth album Seeking the Sources of Streams via WINDIE a sub-brand of Wind Music Intl'.

Cicada was formed in 2009, and consists of violin, cello, piano and acoustic guitar. It's named after Cicada because people are aware of cicada's existence by their sound instead of forms. The band has toured many global cities, such as Taipei, Tokyo, Shanghai, Moscow, St. Petersburg, etc., which has acquired different nationality fans from all over the world.





Seeking the Sources of Streams documented a long journey exploring the valleys deep in the mountains; stepping out of the misty forest is the vast and boundless sources of streams. The album diminished the borders of the mountains and opened up the awareness of the elements in mountains through the rain, ridgeline, cirques, and giant trees. The mountains in *Seeking the Sources of Streams* are not merely locations but everything **Cicada** experienced within. The woodwinds and percussion instruments joined piano, strings, and guitar to manifest the natural cycles of birth and death like harmonies of cicada sounds. With **Cicada**'s exceptional composition, the album emphasizes the Taiwanese beautiful landscape. Listeners once again hiked the forest trail between the physical home to/from the spiritual home and experience the beauty of Taiwan through the music.

"Hiking along the stream towards the source in the mountain realized my imagination of seeking the origin of the island." – Cicada's band leader Jesy Chiang

Cicada uses instruments to present various appearances of mountains and forests with richer musicality, which takes the beauty of Taiwan's mountains and forest to another level. The band has a series of shows lined up for the new album, and solo concert at Legacy Taipei will happen on March 12, 2023.





Seeking the Sources of Streams tracklist:

01 Departing in the Morning After Rain
02 Birds and Moist Pine Needles
03 On the Way to the Glacial Cirque
04 Foggy Rain
05 Seeking the Sources of Streams
06 Encounter at the Puddle

- 07 Raining on the Tent
- 08 Remains of Ancient Trees
- 09 Forest Trail to the Home Away Home

About Cicada

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In 2013, Cicada began to compose for Taiwan. The theme of "Coastland" was the west coastland, and "Light Shining Through the Sea" was inspired by the east coast and the Pacific Ocean. "White Forest" released in 2017 drew inspiration from marine life such as humpback whales, dolphins, coral reefs and sea turtles.

Cicada walked into the mountain from the ocean on their 10th year and released the hiking journal "Hiking in the Mist". In 2022, their focus switched to the valleys and forests. "Seeking the Sources of Streams" comprised moments of roaming the mountains.

