Kevin Xiao:

Kevin Xiao is one of the most excellent young music performers active in the forefront of China's music undertakings and a rising star among brass players in China.

Kevin learned to play the trumpet from Ms. Xu Hong and Mr. Liu Songsheng since early childhood. After completing the undergraduate program at the Central Conservatory of Music in 2006, he pursued further study by learning from professor Dai Zhonghui, an internationally well-known trumpet player and educator, and graduated with a master degree.

For many years, Kevin has played Chinese and foreign music pieces spanning different periods of time with many orchestras, including China Philharmonic Orchestra, China National Symphony Orchestra, China National Center for the Performing Arts Orchestra, China National Opera House Symphony Orchestra, Macao Orchestra, Suzhou Symphony Orchestra and Changsha Symphony Orchestra. Kevin has accumulated rich performing experience, and he is highly acclaimed by music community. He has collaborated with conductors such as Seiji Ozawa, Zubin Mehta, Erich Kunzel, Joe Hisaishi, Yu Long, Yu Feng, Hu Yongyan, among others.

As a trumpet player, Kevin also plays with the Beijing Symphony Orchestra, the China Youth Symphony Orchestra, the Tianjin Symphony Orchestra, the Hunan Symphony Orchestra and the Chengdu Symphony Orchestra. In recent years, he has been invited to give lectures and expert classes, play solo concerts, and serve as a judge for major competitions at both home and abroad. He published his own album Horizon in 2023 and was released worldwide.

Kevin Xiao is a lecturer of trumpet at the Orchestral Instruments Department, Central Conservatory of Music. He is a member of the Executive Council of China Association for Symphonic Bands and Ensembles, vice-president of the Trumpet Band Society Federation of China Musicians' Association (China Trumpet Guild), member of the Executive Council of World Trumpet Society (Asia Region), president of Hunan Branch of China Trumpet Guild, judge for the national competition of China International Trumpet Art Week, and global endorser of Spanish trumpet STOMVI. In addition, he serves as the guest principal trumpet with the China Philharmonic Orchestra, the Changsha Symphony Orchestra and the Suzhou Symphony Orchestra.