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Violinist Siow Lee Chin performing at the Beijing Concert Hall last Friday as part of her New Year concert tour.

## S'pore soloist a draw at Beijing show

**Beijing** – Singaporean violinist Siow Lee Chin took centre stage in festive New Year performances at the Beijing Concert Hall last night and the night before.

The celebrated soloist's concerts capped a year which marked 20 years of diplomatic relations between Singapore and China.

The anniversary was celebrated

with high-level visits between leaders of the two countries, concerts and exhibitions.

Beijing also agreed to send two pandas to Singapore, with the furry animals slated to arrive later this year.

Ms Siow's concerts were presented by China's leading presenter, the Beijing Concert Hall Corporation.

The performances were part of her New Year concert tour through Shanghai, Hangzhou, Beijing, Wuhan and Chongqing with the United States' acclaimed Oberlin Orchestra.

The tour will culminate in a performance in Singapore at the Esplanade Concert Hall on Thursday.

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