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# Integrating tourism resources through dialogue and discussion: Sustainability and common good in Changbin and Fengbin

On 19 April, the inaugural Changbin and Fengbin Tourism Development Workshop was held, where vendors engaged in dialogue and discussion about repackaging and amalgamating up-and-coming community tourism highlights. ACF noted increased but dispersed efforts by returning youths in indigenous communities of Changbin and Fengbin, for sustainable rural travel experiences, promoting tourism development and environmental conservation. More B&B and dining options have sprouted, showing much potential, but lacking a common marketing strategy for collective benefits. There are plans to work with the Tourism Bureau in the future to invite media from Hong Kong, Japan and Taiwan, showing the best of Huatung' s best community-based travel sites in-depth. [Read more...](#)

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## 2018 LUMA Overseas Study Tour Pre-trip Training Workshop



The third batch of LUMA Indigenous Youth Overseas Study Tour participants had a pre-trip training workshop from 19 to 20 May. Three teachers, 18 students and 12 Vox Nativa high school volunteers took part. The Chair, Teacher Guan, shared that the program evolves to become better annually, disclosing discussions and notes between Vox Nativa and ACF for performance review. These confessions motivated the participants to give their best and be aware of their goals. Teacher Kao You-yi, trained in drama and teambuilding, designed a series of challenging games for the participants, reminding them to keep their attitudes in check and reflect on how they support each other positively.

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## Junyi' s High School: Experiencing All-English Learning at PAS

To help Junyi students who are headed for overseas study acclimatize to all-English environments, the school sent five students on exchange to Hsinshu' s Pacific American School over 14 till 25 May. The Project Based Learning method used for the lessons aim to shape students into global citizens with critical thinking. Chou Tung, headed for Seattle' s Olympic College, found Pacific American School' s English and Design



Thinking lessons to be most activity-focused. Students ask questions and debate their answers, completing tasks through discovery. The exposure to such creative educational approaches guide Junyi students be better prepared for studying abroad.

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## Ci-xin Waldorf presents Taiwanese musical “God favors the modest” in rural areas



The Journey of Love choir, comprising over 40 Ci-xin Waldorf parents and teachers, presented the Taiwanese musical “God Favors the Modest” to several communities in Tungshan Township. Based on the work of Hans Christian Andersen, Wang Shi-lang, teachers Tsai Yi-chen and Lin Yun-hsuan took on the roles of playwright and director. The plot also included the Taiwanese folk story of the foolish son-in-law. The opportunity to present a production together helped parents to better understand how teachers conduct drama teaching in the school. It also brought much warmth to the communities with the Taiwanese lines, bridging the school with the communities.

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## Taiwan Connection 2018 Music Festival

The 2018 Taiwan Connection (TC) Music Festival comprises nine concerts. TC is playing Beethoven's Pastoral Symphony depicting countryside sounds of insects, birds, storms and sunshine after the rain. It will also play Mendelssohn: The Hebrides overture and Bartók: Divertimento for String Orchestra, which shows power of life from the homeland. TC is launching its first international chamber music series, where TC founder and Violinist Hu Nai-yuan performs with five international chamber music maestros for the first time with Brahms String Quartets No. 1 and 2. On August 10, they will perform with Taiwan's emerging musicians in Taichung.



## Sharestart: Wisdom of the Crowd for Dreams to Take Flight



"Teaching and learning cannot be done well by one person alone. Small efforts from everyone help to make education more comprehensive, benefitting more students," said Guang Fu Elementary's Teacher Huang Tsai-hsia. She started a co-learning community for in her school in 2016, with one-third of the school's teachers participating, allowing the school to be a base for promoting the Sharestart teaching method. It is a site of observation for teachers from Singapore and Hong Kong annually. Under the recommendation of Sharestart founder Chang Hui-cheng , Teacher Huang visits the Shanghai Taiwanese Children School (STCS) regularly to share her experience as the STCS adopted the Sharestart model.

## Sci-Flipper Strategy of Heroes Online

The four-year-old Sci-Flipper (SF) community places great emphasis on the outcomes of teachers implementing co-preparation back in their classrooms, in order to affirm the effectiveness of its curriculum design. As part of Hsinchu Peiying Junior High' s thematic activities for graduating students, a SF13 Xingtan Martial Arts Meet: Situational Experiential Course was conceptualized under SF core member, Teacher Chuang Yi-chia' s leadership. Teachers of graduating classes planned the programme "Strategy of Heroes On Line" which lets students participate in pedagogical design in a role-playing game format, focused on important battles in the Warring States period, combining history, culture and the arts. On 1 June, SF teachers observed the method and results



