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## Cover Story: Stimulate Students' Lifelong Passion for Learning by Connecting Life and Art

*Learning should be cross-disciplined because reality is cross-disciplined...*

"You are part of my life, and I am part of yours. My life has been enhanced because of your participation. You are not too small to experience the excitement of life. As long as you believe in me, we can embark on this journey together. You may be the work that I am sculpturing this time. Next time you may be the creator of my life experience." This is what Chen Hao-yi, teacher at the Hoping Elementary School in Taitung, wants to tell his students.

Situated in Hoping Tribe, Chenggong, Taitung, Hoping Elementary School is a petite school of art with 80% of its students from the Amis tribe of origin. Nicknamed the "Good Will Teacher" (the pronunciation of his Chinese name "Hoa-yi" is similar to "good will" in Chinese) by kids in school, Chen used to be an organizer of art exhibitions in Taipei before becoming a teacher. With his extensive art experience, he soon realized that the traditional way of teaching art failed to help the students to showcase their real talents and the syllabus had no connection to the life experience of neither his or the students. He then started a new approach integrating humanity and art into the students' life experiences and centered on stimulating the students' lifelong passion for learning. Since August 2011, he has been with the Hoping Elementary School for 3 years... [Read more](#)

## Juhu Guesthouse

*Taitung at its off-the-beaten path best...*

Changbin Township in the northern part of Taitung County features a plethora of guesthouses from the simple and rustic to the grand and luxurious. When choosing a guesthouse, an important factor to consider is the owner. If the owner is knowledgeable about the area and is passionate about sharing that knowledge, this can make for an unforgettable experience. He/she can take you on an exploration of places not on any standard tour itinerary, which will help you to understand why Taitung is such a natural and cultural gem... [Read more](#)



## Fishing in Taitung is an Industry and a Pastime

*To experience fishing as a spectator sport...*

Taitung boasts the longest coastline of any county in Taiwan and seafood restaurants abound with fresh ingredients supplied by scores of brightly painted commercial fishing vessels. Thus, it is natural to assume that fishing is a major recreational sport in Taitung. Although this is not exactly true, there are opportunities for fishing enthusiasts to enjoy their hobby... [Read more](#)

