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# STUDENT UNION AND CHAMBERS UPDATES.

Elections of Student Union and Chambers were successfully held in October and November respectively.

Here comes the new batch of Student Union and Chamber leaders.

Chamber A: 10D CHUNG Cheuk Ying Cherry Chamber B: 10B MOW Sum Yee Rachel Chamber C: 10D WONG Yu Ting Chamber D: 10A HUNG Cheuk Wai Chamber E: 10B LAM Tsz Wai SU Chairperson: 10A LAM Ching Long



Vote-counting of Chamber Election



Dr. Ben Chan gave his words of encouragement for the students during the vote-counting session of Student Union Election



# 8<sup>TH</sup> AQUATIC MEET.

27<sup>th</sup> September 2016 @Shing Mun Vally Swimming Pool



From Ma On Shan to Shing Mun Valley Swimming Pool, we are trying to raise the participation and level of performance of our students in swimming.

It is great to see more and more students to try swimming for their Chambers. It was already the 8th Aquatic of ASchool which was held on  $27^{\circ}$  September. The event was run successfully with the dedication from swimmers in the pool and supporters in the stand.

A number of new records were set and the chamber & school invitation relay bought about excitement in which our students showed determination and sense of belonging. Chamber Da Vinci proved their dominance once again by winning the overall title.

It was also our great honor to have Ms. Au Hoi Shun, the HKG Olympic Swimmer and Flag-bearer joining our Aquatic and shared her story of becoming a successful swimmer, I am sure her dedication and perseverance in sports training would motivate our students to strive for better.

The overall results are as follows:

Grade A Champion: Chamber Aristotle Grade B Champion: Chamber Da Vinci Grade C Champion: Chamber Da Vinci

Girls Champion: Chamber Da Vinci Boys Champion: Chamber Da Vinci

**Overall Champion: Chamber Da Vinci** 

# SPORT TEAMS UPDATES.

Throughout the last 10 years, A-School Sports Teams developed quickly and the results also improved step by step.



# **SOFTBALL TEAM**

# THE 7<sup>TH</sup> CHAMPION IN A ROW!

The top team with no doubt is our School's Softball Team, which turns to be the best in Hong Kong Schools level for  $7^{\circ}$  consecutive years.

With the hard work, dedication and determination from all of you, we proved that we were the best of the best in the softball pitch with our skills, confidence and team work.



The 1- Champion in the Hong Kong School level



# THE DREAM TO DIVISION 1 FOOTBALL FINALLY COME TRUE.



# **SOCCER TEAM**

The newly rising team is our Soccer Team who is now full of talented and dedicated players. Starting from an inexperienced team, we paid a lot of time and sweats to improve. Winning the 4th place Boys B Grade in 2012 boosted the confidence of our team and we played better and better.

With the new members coming from Primary division and other local football elites, we won the C Grade Champion in 2014-2015 & 2015-2016, meaning that the dream to Division 1 Football finally come true.

We will certainly continue to work hard and play for the glory of A-School. We wish you all to feel the same, and be happy and proud to be a member of A-School family.



# **TABLE TENNIS TEAM**

Apart from the excellent achievements accomplished by the Boys Softball and Soccer Team, there are also other spectacular performances made by different school teams.

Our Boys Table Tennis Team had come second in Boys C Grade and B Grade competition before. It was the third time for this team to get into the final this year. The boys finally withstood the pressure and defeated themselves by winning over Tak Shun Secondary School in the Final and crowned the Champion for the first time!

# **VOLLEYBALL TEAM**

On the other hand, the Boys and Girls Volleyball Team practiced hard all year long to improve themselves, performed better and better until they got into Final.

The Girls Team just fell short to Shatin Pui Ying College and came second, but their fighting spirit and team cohesion definitely won our applause and respect.

The Boys Team showed their dominance starting from the Quarter Final and swept Lam Hon Kwong Secondary School in the Final to win the Boys A Grade Championships for the first time in A-School History.



# REVIEW OF VISUAL ARTS ALUMNI SHOW 2016.

In July, 2016, the Visual Arts Team invited graduates from the past few years to come back and exhibit there works in the new Visual Arts Gallery. Some of them are now studying Architecture, Visual Arts, Jewelry design and Fine Arts in Universities around the world. Here are some of the works from the graduates.

# OUR NEW VISUAL ARTS GALLERY.





# FIFTEEN USAGES OF A CANVAS.



Fifteen Usages of a Canvas Year of production: 2016 Media: Digital print on pearl paper Size: 12x12cm (16 cards/set)



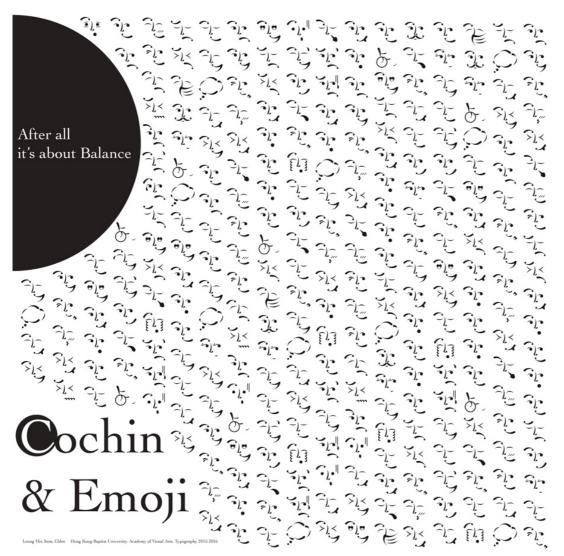
Leung Hiu Sum, Chloe (Class 12E of 2014) Year 3 Undergraduate Student Academy of Visual Arts, Hong Kong Baptist University

### ARTIST STATEMENT

Every object has their own specific usage, however our perception has always limited our imagination towards the world.

Being an art student, I always wonder if a canvas has another function or usage apart from providing space for us to draw. In this process, I have studied the composition of a canvas as well as what a canvas can do instead of showing people a drawing. In fact, I found that the possibility of a canvas is unimaginable.

A canvas looks simple, as it only has simple shape, colour and structure. But when we think outside the box, a canvas means a lot. Inspired by canvas – which is an object I have been worked on since secondary 4, I have created a set of cards as a user manual for a canvas, in order to present how I treat it in an unusual way.



Cochin & Emoji (2015) Media: Digital print on paper

Size: 15x15cm

# ARTIST STATEMENT

Since 1990s, emojis have become increasingly popular worldwide. Different sets of emoji with different styles have been created for us to use in electronic messages and web pages. However, there are also a lot of typefaces in the world too! They have their own style and specific elements, which make some of them can't really fit with the style of emoji set.

In fact, when I study different typefaces, I first try to divide them into firm and soft. Some typeface are firm and with sharp angles, while some of them are soft and with curve lines.

However, there are still some typefaces can't be defined, such as "Cochin". Most letters of "Cochin" contain straight lines and sharp angles, while some letters such as "f", "y" and "g" contain some elegant elements. All these make me feel interested in this typeface.

Influenced by "Cochin", I have created a set of emoji using Cochin's own characteristics and elements such as dots, sharp endings, and circle endings with thin tail.

I love how the designer of "Cochin" took the balance between firm and soft, therefore "moderation" has been the main design concept of this project. Moreover, with inspiration from Picasso's human portrait works, the facial expression of my emoji set for "Cochin" can view as a side view or front view at the same time. All in all, my project is about moderation, which it has been my motto since secondary school.





Choi Chun Wai, Kelly (Class 12D of 2014) Year 3 Undergraduate Student Double majoring architecture and urban design & planning, University of Melbourne

# WHISPER-ING.

## ARTIST STATEMENT

This project aims at designing a pavilion in Herring Island, which is an artificial island located in the Yarra River, Victoria, Australia, for certain people to hide their secrets. The island itself symbolised the idea of alleviation as it is built for prevent flooding.

To me, the concept of secret is closely associated with the internal secrets in one person's mind. Keeping a secret sometimes is quite torturing as you may not be able to share with others.

This project is inspired by a quote from a movie called In the Mood for Love (2000). Other than sharing a secret to a person, we can actually share our secrets to the nature. My pavilion on Herring Island is a place for individuals to whisper their secrets to the island, as well as a place for them to mediate

User will gain response from the island through the water level changing by times. The interruption of the river will affect how people access the pavilion and the way they use it.

The chosen location is an ideal place for my pavilion. First, it is away from the highway, so the site will be relatively quiet. Also, it does not have any proper pathway to access, so it is a kind of isolated area from the rest of the island. Most importantly, the landform allows a good chance for hiding the pavilion from the public, so less people can notice this pavilion.

In short, I anticipate people can experience the pavilion as a therapy, thus to cure themselves.

In the old days, if someone had a secret they didn't want to share...They went up a mountain, found a tree, carved a hole in it, and whispered the secret into the hole. In the mood for love (2000)

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Whispering – a place for hiding secrets on Herring Island (2016)

Media: Digital print on paper

Size: 841x1189mm

# ALUMNI UPDATES & SHARING.

# IT IS TIME TO STEP OUT OF YOUR COMFORT ZONE!



I had always wanted to do something special before graduating from HKBU. Studying abroad was definitely the best decision I have made in my entire life. The America was, without a doubt, the experience of a lifetime. Living on my own for 4 months, dealing with situations without the help of parents or anyone else I would typically go to when at home and witnessing the US presidential election really made me grow up in a way I would not for at least a few more years. I was so lucky that I had the chance to meet a friend again who studied abroad after leaving A-School 4 years ago. I was invited to her house for Thanksgiving dinner with her family and experienced such an important holiday in the US.

One of the most rewarding and lingering effects of this experience lies in the friendships that I cultivated here. Meeting new people is always an exciting venture

for me. During this trip, I met friends from all around the world. They were Americans, Germans, Argentinian, South Koreans, Japanese, Moroccans, British, Nepalese, etc. We formed an "International Family"; we relied on each other, learnt everyone's cultures, languages, helped each other out... How beautiful this memory was!

Studying abroad is an experience that you will forever be grateful for and never forget. The more you challenge yourself and succeed, the greater your confidence in your ability to do it again next time. So, now you know what you should do when you get into university. It is time to step out of your comfort zone!

Kwok Hau Yee, Iris (Class 12A of 2013) Year 4 Undergraduate Student English Language and Literature, Hong Kong Baptist University





Catholic Junior College Band Exchange Concert

My connection with A-School does not break after graduation. I am so glad to be invited and participated in the Catholic Junior College Band Exchange Concert as a member of the School Orchestra. We had a great time! I enjoyed performing with the Singapore exchange students, and I also knew more about the culture of Singapore as they eagerly shared about their school lives. I hope there will be more chances for me to perform with the School Orchestra in the future.

The life in university is totally different from that of secondary school. You need to manage all the things by yourself. I enjoyed the university life very much now because I'm studying my favourite subject. I hope all the A-School students can find their dreams and study what they love in the universities.



To Pui Yin, Yvonne (Class of 2015) Year 1 Undergraduate Student Music in education (contemporary music and performance pedagogy), The Education University of Hong Kong





# 江南 江南

# /泰龍

江南未雪梅花白,憶梅人是江南客。

---題記

那年陰曆十一月中旬, 冬至, 天小寒; 江南小城, 雪至。

江南的冬迥於別處的冬,不似極北地區的冬,朔風凜冽;也不似南 方地區的冬,暖和無感。它寒冷卻不蕭索,即使白雪覆地也依然生機 勃勃,許多江邊的植被大寒而不敗,這些植被堅韌著,隱隱得透出生 命的氣息來,讓白雪皚皚的江邊乍一看冷清肅殺,細看則莫名得感覺 到一股飽滿而隱忍的生氣來。

我於這個季節做了江南的客,心境倒是坦然得多,遠方是下榻的客棧,怕是不忍破壞江南小城的古老氣息,這些客棧都做的古色古香,老闆娘美的不驚豔,卻耐看,就似江南小城一般,溫和且旖旎。對於客人來說,至少比大城市中的服務員有人氣的多,每日歸來小聊幾句,若是打了招呼,還會給你備多一副碗筷共進晚餐,裡裡外外,都有在家的感覺,甚是暖心。

那日清晨,客棧裡可沒有空調暖氣,這個早晨仍是清冷的,想來這個時候躲在被窩裡賴上半個早晨,該是愜意之極。然而,我卻被空氣裡的微塵擾了夢,也不知是不是有意的,窗簾很薄,不大的屋子裡滿滿的陽光,給空氣裡的塵埃提供了滿滿的養分,鬧騰著,跳躍著。我也不煩,便起床,老闆娘早已做好了早飯,親切得跟我打招呼。

我本想躲在客棧中看書,這客棧以書為名,老闆娘又泡的一手好茶,老班章的清香繞著書,細品一口,細讀兩三行,如此這般,一日便過去了,冬至之日甚短,這也不失為一個消磨時光的辦法。老闆娘見我慵懶,笑著告訴我道,江南的冬剛到,不算太冷,其實最適宜出門,不管下沒下雪,各處都有別緻的景象;既是做了這小城的客,便見些他處沒有的景色,雜事留給她這個主人打理就是了。話說到這個份上,我也覺得我這個「客」是該去享受一下作為客的福利了。道別了老闆娘,我走上街頭,老闆娘給了許多建議,我抉擇不定,哪知走著走著,竟是到了江邊。也好,便走一走這江南的江岸,品一品這冬江的冷冽。

雖然下過雪,但未積厚,不滑腳,走起來倒也舒服。空氣裡滿滿的清新,淺呷一口,江邊的氣息和著下過雪的空氣,鼻子酸酸的,打了個激靈,一下便清醒了幾分。正如老闆娘所說,江岸上雖然覆著雪,但仍能看見臘子樹,紅葉落後,依然有枝椏在外,垂著頭,卻透出堅韌之意,江南盛梅,梅花是隨處可見,江岸邊倒是沒有,但是有不知哪兒落下的紅葉,透在雪上,倒是有亂梅花之真的意思。

Wong Tai Lung (Class of 2013) Year 4 Undergraduate Student China Study, Centennial Collage

再往前行數百步, 江岸邊仍是有人在散步, 三三兩兩, 不乏有老人家, 挽著手, 攙著慢行, 你能從其眼中看出歲月的流逝, 也能從他們望著江浪的渾濁的眼眸裡看到對生命的 坦然。我不禁望著長長的江岸, 遠遠得延伸出去, 簡簡單單得劃出一道弧線, 我在那時感覺到, 江之所以美, 是江岸的 襯托, 如那海邊的沙灘, 或河邊的拱橋, 簡單的線條, 上面 點綴著人、樹、沙、雪, 寥寥幾筆便是一幅完美的畫卷。

未幾,已走了半個江岸,說來也怪,這江浪不大,和著 風翻滾著,千篇一律,那江岸的雪景,也是無甚特別,然 而,卻是看不膩,仿佛那有些什麼東西,觸著骨子裡的情 意,這一副畫卷,簡簡單單,美的純粹,然而那氤氳著雪霧 的江水江岸,都讓人感受到溫柔。

這時我便知道,為何那些故事裡都愛用江南女子作為主 角。

江南,一個被賦予了曖昧的名字。多少風花雪月,雛菊素心;多少蘇堤訣別,小荷殘雪。一簇雪花能見證多少溫柔,多少愛戀。無論你是山谷幽蘭還是鄉野村夫,江南始終能撩撥你心中最深層的癢,那是中國人心弦裡最溫柔的部分,人們願意並且相信那些溫柔的,單純的情事在這樣的小城裡發生;尤其是江南的冬雪,雪中的冬梅;那一簇、一片、一捧白;那一朵、一樹、一地紅;藏了曖昧,隱了素心。

也許是冬至的白天太短,黃昏來的猝不及防。簡簡單單的江岸,一片薄雪,一灣碧波,既非柔情似水,亦非豪情萬丈,就那麼靜悄悄的,讓你恍惚間突然意識到,啊,原來已然黃昏時分了。回望走過的路,那些臘子樹的枝椏已經變得模糊,隱然躲進了夜色裡,快到晚飯時間,之前三三兩兩的行人也少了許多,畢竟是冬至,中國人講究「冬至大如年」,想必是都回家晚飯了吧。江南的夜,沒有犬吠,沒有風鈴,在江岸上,只有風聲,像是要把空虛的夜填滿一點似的,努力地吹著。

此時的我突然有了恍惚的感覺,風起了,我慢慢抱膝而蹲,蜷成一個球,似是冷了,但不是,這種把自己藏在夜裡的感覺,仿佛是把自己交給了江南,融了進去,沒有茶、沒有詩、沒有人、沒有浪。那一片黑暗中的江面,消失的江岸線,還有吞噬了所有人的夜,仿佛白天的一切都是曇花一般的珍貴。人在看著夜空銀河,浩瀚大海,廣袤大地的時候,都會感受到自己的渺小,微不足道;然而在這鋪天蓋地的黑夜裡,感受到的卻是莫名的安心,不管是這微微拍浪的江水,還是那輕柔拂面的微風,江南就是有這樣的一種力量,不,應該說是有這樣的一種美,讓你與其渾然一體,感同身受;卻又美的曖昧,似有若無。這一刻我願意相信那些美好的邂逅,動容的愛戀,或是矜持的情愫;在這一刻,我能感受到的只有江南的溫柔。

江南踏雪路漫漫,雪夜訴情風柔柔。問江哪得柔情故, 江水輕笑空幽幽。

打了車回客棧,老闆娘臉上是繾綣的曖昧,我還沒來得及 說我去過了哪裡,她端著赤豆糯米飯,似看透了我,微笑 著:「江邊美麼?」

我笑了。

# UPDATES OF FURTHER STUDIES / CLASS OF 2016

It has been several months since the fifth batch of graduates stepped out from the shelter of A-School to pursue their dreams. Among these 107 graduates, 98% of them are furthering their study in various institutions in different countries. Most of them are taking their bachelor degree programmes in the following institutions:



# OUR GRADUATES ARE STEPPING ONTO THE NEW STAGE OF THEIR LIVES, LETS WISH THEM EVERY SUCCESS!

### HONG KONG

The University of Hong Kong

The Chinese University of Hong Kong

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Hong Kong Baptist University

City University of Hong Kong

The Education University of Hong Kong

Lingnan University

Open University of Hong Kong

Hang Seng Management College

Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts

Tung Wah College

CityU SCOPE

## AUSTRALIA

Australian National University

University of New South Wales (UNSW)

University of Technology Sydney

University of Western Ontario

Simon Fraser University

# CHINA

Nanjing University (南京大學)

Huagiao University (華僑大學)

### **UNITED KINGDOM**

Dundalk Institute of Technology

University of Glasgow

University of Exeter

De Monfort University (Leicester)

Newcastle University

Swansea University

**UAL Central Saint Martins** 

University of East Anglia

University West of England

### **UNITED STATES**

Greenville College (Illinois)



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