



Theatre Arts and Dance Building unveiled

TNUA has unveiled its new Theatre Arts and Dance Building, which will accommodate teaching, research, performance and other activities of the School of Theatre Arts, the School of Dance, and the School of Film and New Media starting this summer.

TNUA President Prof. Ju Tzong-Ching, along with other school administrator, presided over a ceremony unveiling the new building on June 19, witnessed by more than 100 teachers and students.

The administrators joining Prof. Ju included: Prof. Yang, Chyi-Wen, who will succeed Prof. Ju as TNUA president this summer; Prof. Chien, Michael Lee-Zen, dean of the School of Theatre Arts; Prof. Ku, Ming-Shen, dean of the School of Dance; Prof. Chu, Teh-I, dean of the School of Film and New Media; and Prof. Chen, Yue-Hung, dean of general affairs.

Prof. Ju noted that construction started in August 2011 and was able to be completed as scheduled thanks to all those involved in it.

During the ceremony, Prof. Ju also announced that TNUA has received the Ministry of Education's approval for setting up a doctoral program for the studies of cultural heritage and artistic innovations under the School of Culture Resources. Enrollment

will begin in Academic Year 2013.

At the beginning of the building project, the Office of General Affairs asked Prof. Wang Toon, chairman of the Department of Filmmaking, to arrange a team of graduate students from his department to document the construction process. The result, an eight-minute film, was screened at the ceremony, showing all the important moments in the making of the building.

The ceremony also featured a lion dance and an aboriginal dance by students from the Department of Dance.



Caption: More than 100 TNUA administrators, teachers and students attend a ceremony unveiling the new Theatre Arts and Dance Building.



TNUA and CCOM become sister schools

A delegation from China's well-known Central Conservatory of Music (CCOM) visited TNUA last month. A memorandum of understanding (MOU) for cooperation was signed between the two sides, with which CCOM became the 53rd sister school of TNUA.

The delegation, headed by CCOM President Prof. Wang Cizhao and composed of teachers and students from the Beijing-based school, also gave a concert during their visit. The concert featured both Chinese and Western music and won much applause from the audience.



TNUA President Prof. Ju, Tzong-Ching noted that the two schools have a long friendship. He recalled that he led several TNUA administrators and the school's orchestra to a visit to CCOM in June 2010, during which they also held a concert.

Prof. Liu, Hwei-Jin, dean of the School of Music, will lead the TNUA Orchestra to another visit to CCOM in November this year, marking a further step to form closer ties between the two schools, Prof. Ju said while receiving the CCOM visitors.

Prof. Wang noted that his friendship with TNUA started when Prof. Ma Shui-Long was its president. He said he is looking forward to closer ties between the two schools.

Prof. Ju and Prof. Wang signed the MOU on behalf of their own schools. The signing of the MOU was witnessed by Prof. Liu; Prof. Su, Shien-Ta, chairperson of the Department of Music; Prof. Lu, Hung-Hui, chief director of the International Exchange Center; Secretary General Mey-Juane Kuo; as well as administrators from CCOM.

Caption:(Top)TNUA President Prof. Ju, Tzong-Ching (seventh from right) and CCOM President Prof. Wang Cizhao (seventh from left) sign an MOU for cooperation.