

quality scholarly articles by doctoral and masters students in Taiwan, but also promotes the concept of full-text authorization for open access and thus ensures the long-term preservation of these research achievements.

The event showcased research from fourteen masters and doctoral students from different fields and schools. All dissertations and theses presented were authorized for inclusion in the National Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations (NDLTD) in Taiwan. Given NCL's archival responsibilities and the need to spur on scholarly dissemination, NCL established the NDLTD in Taiwan in 1998. As of May 2019, the database contained the titles and abstracts of more than 1.12 million theses and dissertations from around Taiwan. Of these, 480,000 have been authorized for the full text to have open access, allowing the public to download and use. It has already become an important resource site for Chinese dissertations and thesis for people around the world.

Director-General Shu-hsien Tseng gave remarks during the awards ceremony. In addition to thanking each of the participating institutions for their assistance, she also emphasized the revision of the law for authorizing dissertations and theses.

Those dissertations and theses formally authorized to be stored at NCL can be made available inside the library based on the laws in Taiwan. In the future, NCL will continue to promote the sharing and long-term archiving of theses and dissertations, in addition to actively encouraging a comprehensive collection of digital copies and sustainable service at a local level.



*STUST is presented with an appreciation certificate by NCL Director-General Tseng (left) at the 11th Intercollegiate Presentation Conference.*

### ■ NCL Hosts the Voice of Literature: Oral Reading Night at NCL

To welcome the World Reading Day on April 23, National Central Library (NCL) held for the first time on April 19 “The Voice of Literature: Oral Reading Night at NCL” in its Reading Room.

NCL Director-General Shu-hsien Tseng stated that NCL continues to use innovative ways to create new reading experiences for the public, with the hope that so doing will give the public a taste of the joys of reading.



*The impressive performance from Poem Vocal Band.*

The event utilized a flash mob approach, not having a set place for performances. Readers and performing groups were in various spots in the reading room. The atmosphere was created through lighting, giving those present a surprised and novel feeling. Performances included: Poem Vocal Band used their splendid voices to interpret “Chrysanthemum Terrace” and “The Seasonal Joys of Reading;” renowned authors Yindi, Han Hsiu, Yu-xiang Hao, and Chi-feng Liao each read some of their works; the Crimson Hall Poetry Society from Taipei Municipal Jianguo High School read modern poems; and as a finale, Prof. Yi-kang Feng, founder of Comedians Workshop, read Cao Cao’s “Short Song Style,” causing the event to come to an impassioned climax. In the short hour the event was held, those present were immersed in this unique and memorable literary feast.



*The finale performer of “The Voice of Literature: Oral Reading Night at NCL”, Prof. Yi-kang Feng takes a photo with Director-General Tseng (left) .*

## ■ Children’s Day Celebrated with Polish Dancing: Polish Children’s Rights Exhibition at NCL



*Distinguished guests toast the opening of the exhibition.*

National Central Library (NCL) and the Polish Office in Taipei, in an effort to promote children’s rights and to encourage related ideas, cohosted “Polish Children’s Rights Exhibition.” The event ran from May 28 to June 16 at NCL’s exhibition hall on the first floor. The opening ceremony is specifically scheduled on June 1, which was also International Children’s Day.

Maciej Gaca from the Polish Office in Taipei stated in his remarks that Poland has long given attention and focus to issues related to children’s rights. This exhibition was planned to commemorate the 30th anniversary of the United Nation’s Convention on the Rights of the Child. Primarily on display are the concepts of the Father of Children’s Rights in Poland, Janusz Korczak, contributions during his life for children, and achievements in Poland in promoting children’s rights.

NCL Director-General Shu-hsien Tseng stated that each year NCL works with various country offices in Taiwan to host a variety of exhibitions, lectures, and other events. Hosting