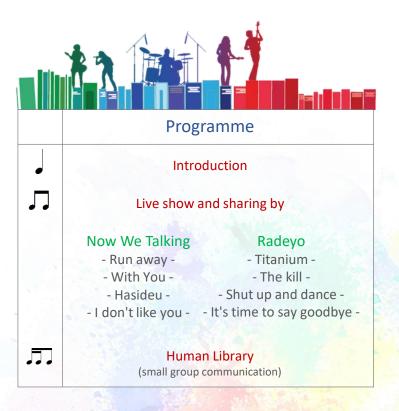
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Music Band X Human Library

Human library creates a platform where a human book sits down with a small group of readers from diverse backgrounds. They will embark on a journey through an equal, respectful, and open-minded conversation free of prejudice.

Music Band X Human Library is a creative programme designed to promote communication across ethnic boundaries. It aims to facilitate bands of different backgrounds to share their personal experiences and insights in band and music.

Between December 2018 and May 2019, two youth bands and a more mature indie band have talked about their stories, experiences and reflections on music band in a series of workshops. These are treasured moments to share dreams, knowledge and insights of each other regardless of culture, language and other backgrounds.

One of the bands, *Now We Talking*, is composed of 4 Nepalese young men. They make Nepalese pop music and look forward to sharing their compositions with the audience.

Another band, *Radeyo*, is composed of 4 Filipino and one Chinese young people. They love to play their composition and cover songs in their own style, in order to share fun and their passion for music with others.

Three members from an indie band *De Tesla* have joined as mentors. They have shared their knowledge and experiences with the youth bands.

The process of the interchanges was recorded by Rizwan, an independent videographer. It will be edited into a 'Making-of' documentary.

In today's event, apart from sharing music and stories, we will share some of the treasured moments as recorded by Rizwan.

Music is both a topic and a medium to bring us together. Let's listen to the growing up stories of the youth band members, their journeys of music, and their lived experiences as both a youth and a musician in Hong Kong.

The Youth Bands

Now We Talking

Now We Talking was formed by Zack and Sky in 2017. Since its formation the band debuted both covers and original songs in numerous stages.

Over the years *Now We Talking* has expanded into a band of 4 members all born and raised in Hong Kong, focusing on pop music. Not just only making music with traditional band instruments, the band also boldly applies electronic equipment set to unique sound that belongs to them during live performances.

Now We Talking strives to reach as many people as possible worldwide with their music as they envision that music as a world language is something that needs to be spread to the world. With such a belief, the band has been active in a variety of stage performances, from Music at Youth (2018), Music Marathon (2017), Y-Concept (2017) to Beertopia (2017), sharing their passion for music to the members of public in Hong Kong.

Band Members

Guitarists: Sky, Zack

Bassist: Saju
Drummer: Patrick
Vocalist: 7ack

Social Media

Facebook: NWT852 IG: nowtalking

Youtube: Now We Talking

Radeyo

Radeyo is a versatile, adaptive and family-oriented band consisting of 5 members. The band was formed in 2017 through a school club called Band Society during their first college year. The purpose of forming the band was to showcase the talent of individuals and to represent the school. And as their relationship amongst each other gets closer, they plan to develop their music career further with the band.

The band experiments on playing different genres of songs and usually plays alternative pop in most of their performances. They do a lot of cover to hit and mainstream songs with their own version. Since its formation, the band has actively participated in different stages, including the VTC Annual Dinner (2018), Canadian International School (2018) and Haking Wong International Day (2018), to share their music with the public. The band is very attached to the song *Titanium* as it was the first song ever performed as a whole band. It is going to perform its first composition *It's time to say goodbye* in this event.

Social Media Facebook: Radeyo IG: ra.deyo

Guitarist: Joseph Bassist: Grace Drummer: Godfrey Vocalist: Jessica

Mentors: De Tesla

Founded in 2019, *De Tesla* is an independent band which believes that great music should bring something more than ticket sales and a big applause. *De Tesla* believes that music is not only a medium of expression, but also a platform to create impacts in our everyday lives. Through presenting a variety of music productions, we intend to respond to this changing society via music as our principal medium.

In the past, the *De Tesla* team has curated series of music concerts, from the *Barter Concert* (2013-2015), *within10minutes* (2016-2017) to the recent *A Little Bit Closer* concert (2018) series, touching on a variety of social issues. To know more about the *De Tesla*, the band's latest EP *Coffee Stay* (2019) is now also available on major streaming platforms.

Band Members

Vocalist: Toby Drummer: Wu Pianist: Sonic Guitarist: Gin Bassist: Wo

Website: deteslamusic.com

Videographer: Rizwan

Mohamed Rizwan, an independent film director born and raised in Hong Kong, has been making short films since the age of 12. By 2016, he started to do freelance work and internships like production assistant, event coverage, 360 VR videos, and photography. In the end of last year, he started the production of his first feature film "F A Q I R" which is expected to be released in this September.

Social Media YouTube: Twist Visuals IG: mohriz.d. Vimeo: mohamedrizwan

The Organizers

JCLCDS, Faculty of Social Sciences, The University of Hong Kong

The Jockey Club Lab of Cultural Diversity Study promotes social inclusion and respect for cultural diversity in Hong Kong through academic studies and public education.

Website: http://www.socsc.hku.hk/jclcds/

Human Library Hong Kong

Human Library facilitates conversations that can challenge stereotypes and prejudices. Established in 2011, *Human Library Hong Kong* works with universities, schools and NGOs to nurture face-to-face inclusive exchange.

Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/humanlibrary/

CLAP for Youth @ JC, The Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong Career and Life Adventure Planning Service Team (Kowloon East)

CLAP for Youth @ JC is Hong Kong's first cross-sectoral support platform that fosters an enabling environment and provides multiple pathways for young people to identify their career interests and develop their career roadmaps.

Website:

https://www.clapforyouth.org.hk/