

Goodwill Ambassador You Tongwan

Exchanges between Poland and Japan (Yilan High School of Commerce)

The Yilan International Children's Play Festival is held in July and August every year. In order to shape Yilan County into a more international city, the county magistrate specially invited overseas

The event will feature art performance groups from around the world, allowing visitors to not only enjoy various water sports facilities, but also

A feast of artistic performances from all over the world.

In order to make these overseas performance groups feel at home, the county government organizers recruit

The main job of the enthusiastic "goodwill ambassador" is to play the role of a good host and give overseas performing groups the opportunity to get to know Yilan outside of their performance time.

The beauty of Taiwan. Therefore, the "Goodwill Ambassadors" must not only go to the Children's Play Festival to cheer on the performance groups during the reception, but also accompany

Accompany you to travel around the county and beyond, visit communities and interact with local residents, and participate in various welcoming activities.

In order to broaden the international perspectives of teachers and students, Yilan High Commercial School actively applies for the "Goodwill Ambassador" activity every year, and has been doing so for more than 10 years.

The group hosted this year is Poland. The Polish group is mainly composed of 30 children aged about 12-16 years old. They sing with pure

The sound, coupled with passionate and powerful dance, allowed the Taiwanese people to deeply feel the beauty of Polish culture. Because Poland has a cold climate,

In order to perform perfectly, the children had to wear wool vests, wool skirts and leather boots in Taiwan's 30-degree high temperature.

Although he was sweating profusely, he still had a smile on his face. His professionalism is admirable.

The Polish group was led by students from the Department of Japanese Language and Literature. The teachers and students were looking forward to the Polish group's arrival, although it was cancelled due to the typhoon.

The Polish group lined up backstage to welcome them after their first performance.

We were very surprised and touched to see the students holding welcome signs written in Polish, and thus began a two-week reception. Reception

During the trip, we visited the Traditional Art Center, Luodong Night Market,

Xinren Ranch, and the National Palace Museum. Although we did not speak the same language, we were able to learn from each other through many exchanges. After getting along with each other, I used simple English and Google Translate, and specially prepared Guaiguai, Cola Nuts, Yimei Puffs, and Zhen Taiwanese specialty snacks such as squid flavor have brought people closer together.

In order to let the Polish group remember this friendship forever, the two sides gave each other gifts after the last performance. Yishang prepares all the friendly

The Polish group presented Polish magnets, brooches and T-shirts. The children were reluctant to leave and hugged each other and shed tears. I believe that after this event, the seeds of Taiwanese culture have spread across the oceans to

Poland will surely sprout and grow strong slowly.

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