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EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Arts and Academic Lecture Series No.22 – "Doing Art, Doing What?" was Successfully Concluded

When presenting his own works, Professor Bing Xu introduced several significant projects, including Gravitational Arena, Book from the Sky, Phoenix, and Dragonfly Eyes, and elaborated on the design concepts behind them. Through these works, he extended the discussion to the relationship between art and civilization, covering a wide range of issues from the representation of ancient civilizations to contemporary topics such as environmental sustainability and artificial intelligence. The lecture attracted nearly 300 participants on site and close to 4,500 viewers online.

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(Video Sharing)

Professor Frederick Lau Speaks in Guest Lecture at IAS

Professor Frederick Lau delivered a lecture on music in academic Chinese studies. He discussed the evolution of songs across historical periods, music's role in expressing collective memory, national sentiment, and soft power, and its potential to enrich interdisciplinary studies of Chinese culture. Attended by over sixty faculty and students, the lecture highlighted music's narrative and cultural importance, fostering interdisciplinary dialogue and reflecting IAS's commitment to broadening analytical approaches in Chinese studies.

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IAS x Interdisciplinary Academic Party -9 was successfully conducted

The session, titled "Harmony in Disciplines for a Connected Future," highlighted Prof. Lau's emphasis on music's ability to transcend linguistic and cultural boundaries, fostering empathy, negotiation, and dialogue. Professor Wong then shared her journey as a long-time choir member, discussing her choir's experiences and repertoire. She further emphasized that music is not just artistic expression but a metaphor for interdisciplinary collaboration, where diverse voices unite to create something greater than their individual contributions.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

UM Philosophy Forum Distinguished Scholars Series – 8
"The Chinese World and the Task of Chinese Philosophy"

Speaker: Professor Xiangchen SUN
Discussant: Professor Jianhong CHEN
Moderator: Professor Di WANG
Date: 24 October 2025 (Friday)
Time: 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Venue: G049, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, E21A
Language: Chinese
Registration: Click HERE

UM Philosophy Forum Distinguished Scholars Series – 9
"To Speak the Unspeakable – The Wisdom of the Unsayable in the Chinese Tradition"

Speaker: Professor Karl-Heinz POHL
Discussants: Professor Xiangchen SUN; Professor Ellen ZHANG
Moderator: Professor Shaoyang LIN
Date: 27 October 2025 (Monday)
Time: 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Venue: Library Auditorium (E2-G012)
Language: English
Registration: Click HERE

1st International Conference on Digital Literacy and the 5th Annual Conference
"Shaping the Future of Digital Literacy: Concepts, Evaluation, and Inclusion"

Date: 19 - 20 November 2025 (Wednesday and Thursday)
Time: 9:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Venue: Multi-function Hall, UM Guest House (N1), University of Macau
Language: English and Chinese
Website: Click HERE
Registration: Click HERE

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