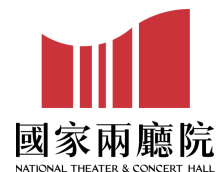




NATIONAL THEATRE & CONCERT HALL

## NTCH Open School - Sound Exploration Beyond Hearing



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NTCH is committed to creating a barrier-free cultural space, ensuring that everyone can participate in the performing arts on an equal footing. In 2024, we launched "Sound Exploration Beyond Hearing" as part of the "NTCH Open School - Art on Campus" project at the Taipei Municipal School for the Deaf. This ongoing music program, rooted in deaf culture, aims to enable the hearing impaired to transcend the limitations of hearing and appreciate the beauty of music.

## WORKSHOP CONTENT

Artist Eunice LIAO of Hidden Sound has been instrumental in the planning and design of this innovative curriculum, which centers on the principles of deaf culture. Students are engaging with music through sight, touch, text, and technology, and are being guided to express their feelings in diverse ways. Furthermore, a 5G immersive wearable device, developed in collaboration with the Taoyuan City Government Arts Facility Management Center and the Industrial Technology Research Institute (ITRI) Service Technology Center, allows students to experience the vibrations of music with greater intimacy. This device employs light points and vibrators to create a personalized music experience for each song, redefining the boundaries of music perception and enabling those with different physical abilities to experience music in unique ways.

The success of this initiative relies on the collaboration of students, artists, industrial technology researchers, and various institutions, including the Taipei Municipal School for the Hearing Impaired. This interdisciplinary effort embodies the spirit of the NTCH Open School program and the belief that "art appreciation can diversify our lives, allow us to see different aspects of the world, and foster imagination." We aspire to break down barriers, appreciate beauty, and cultivate a more inclusive society through the transformative power of art.



*The 5G immersive wearable device*







**UNITED NATIONS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGS) LINKED TO THE WORKSHOP**

<p><b>4</b> QUALITY EDUCATION</p> 	<p><b>3</b> GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING</p> 	<p><b>10</b> REDUCED INEQUALITIES</p> 
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