

ONE CITY ONE BOOK HONG KONG: STUDENT AMBASSADOR PROGRAMME

The first of its kind in Hong Kong, **我城我書 / One City One Book Hong Kong** is a community wide reading programme which aims to encourage as many people as possible to read and engage with a single book at around the same time. A series of activities related to the chosen book will be held around the city. The goals of the initiative are to build a sense of community and promote reading, discussion and civic engagement. The chosen book for 2019 is Shaun Tan's wordless graphic novel ***The Arrival***. The book tells an immigrant story with resonant themes of migration, belonging and hospitality. The celebrated book appeals to people of all ages, be they children, young adults or adults.

The Student Ambassador (SA) Programme for One City One Book Hong Kong has trained a number of EdUHK's senior year BEd (English Language) and BA (Language Studies) students to talk about *The Arrival* to a variety of audiences including primary and secondary school students, the elderly, migrants, etc. The activities range from storytelling and drawing elicitation to more developed visual literacy approaches to the book.

Our student ambassadors are looking for any opportunity to go into schools, NGOs, community centres, etc. to share the book with various audiences. For Primary and Secondary schools, this could be an activity during Assembly, English Corner, English week or maybe a library lesson. We are happy to share copies of the book with the students.

Please feel free to let us know if you would like our SAs to visit your school / organization and introduce Tan's delightful graphic novel to the students. Although these students are training to be English teachers, they are happy to engage with students in English, Cantonese or Putonghua. Please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Wan Lok Yan at **2948 7360** or email **lywan@eduhk.hk** for further details of the Student Ambassador Programme or the One City One Book Hong Kong project.

More information about One City One Book Hong Kong can be found at **www.onecityonebook.hk**

