West Central District, the birth place of Taiwanese history, is the oldest region in the island and can be traced back 300 years. The district has a rich and versatile culture together with abundant historic monument and citizen lifestyle. Many of historic sites are evident in the area and regarded for "living" records of Taiwanese history, thereby making the district itself a living museum. Through the "Walking in West Central District" tour among the old and new streets, tourists can explore old shops and taste traditional food, uniquely experiencing the history of this area and knowing how it has changed over time.

The historic heritages, scenic spots and local cuisines situated along Confucius Temple and Chih Kan Tower have been ranked as a three-star tourist destination by the version of the world famous gourmet bible dedicated to Taiwan, "Michelin Green Guide Taiwan."



Fig. 1 Michelin Green Guide (2011)

The district has richly natural and cultural resources as well as unique landmarks, with avant-garde art, public perception toward broken walls having been transformed.



Fig. 2 Plan for the Introduction of Art to Our Beautiful New World (2012)



Volunteers are invaluable asset in the effort to promote environmental protection since they contribute greatly to the maintenance of the environment through recycling as well as making creative clothing and devices. In Yintung Community, for example, the concepts of "cherish and save the earth" and "zero waste" have been continued by performing a "Great Grandparent and Grandson" environmental volunteer program. Their efforts have been recognized with numerous awards.



Fig. 3 "Great Grandparent and Grandson" Environmental Volunteers (2011) he core value of a livable city lies in the convergence of its residents and environment. Through voluntary public participation, safe and comfortable living quality is assured of making a high quality and healthy livable city.

"Building West Central District into the Most Livable District with Historic and Tourist Resources" is our vision, which is being realized with strategic plans structured on "culture, economy, environmental protection, and space". West Central District welcomes the people from all over the world to explore and enjoy the lifestyle of this livable community.

