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## Taiwan Studies Programme, Asian Studies Centre

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Dahrendorf Room, Founder's Building, St Antony's College

### Conversation with Documentary Filmmaker Chiang Wei-hua and Student leader Chang Jiho on Two Crucial Student Movements in Ma's Presidency



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**Introduction:** Documentary filmmaker, Chiang Wei-hua, and a student leader, Chang Jiho, are invited to share their observations and experiences in several student movements of Taiwan in the past few years, including the Wild Strawberry Movement and the Sunflower Movement—these protests had grasped huge attention and support from younger generation as well as many citizens, and thus greatly reshaped the politics of Taiwan (the newly elected, non-party-affiliated Taipei mayor could be one example of people's distrust of modern political party system in Taiwan).

By presenting film clips, director Chiang will introduce two of his documentaries addressing these recent and significant movements in Taiwan. The first one is an award-winner, *The Right Thing*, which records the emergence and the fade of the Wild Strawberry Movement. The second one, *The Mob*, still in production, documents how some of the students after the Wild Strawberry Movement kept devoting themselves to activist protests and eventually contributed the great civil movement in 2014, the Sunflower Movement.

**Synopsis:** At one cold night of January 2009, the last protesting student of the Wild Strawberry Movement left the square without any appeal succeeded. In the following five years, some of the members disappeared; some left campus to start their own career; some kept organizing and mobilizing students in campus; some became student leaders. They were seeking the possibility to change the society—or seeking changes about themselves. Some actively got involved in various movements—movement of anti-nuclear, anti-media monopolies, anti-corruption in signing cross-strait trade agreements, and movement for residency rights—they were fighting against all unjust ugly things. Then, at one cold night of March 2014, some of them occupied the parliament. Five days after that, some tends to occupied the Executive Yuan, the highest national administrative institution of Taiwan ...

**All are Welcome**

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