

# ELSS Express

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## TEDx Recap: Rosi Ross

Lingnan University recently hosted the first TEDx talk of the academic year for 2017-18, featuring the wonderful Rosi Ross, a social media guru, fashion expert, and media professional. She is from Panama and has purposefully inserted herself into the fashion industry by “making ugly clothes look good” and posting them on social media to influence her



**Rosi's question: How can we coexist with social media and still live truly happy lives?**

audience. Looking at her social media profiles you may see how this is possible; every photo, clip, or statement is a reflection of who she truly is. Often in social media it feels as though the things people post can't honestly be true and even though the posts are clearly glorified versions of their true reality, we still buy into it. Rosi, fully understanding this phenomenon, has made it a journey of hers to sell the idea of a fun and fashionable lifestyle. In her talk, Rosi addressed facts that we need to face when we think about our interaction with one another through social media. To elucidate this, she questions our moral confrontation with our true animal behavior and how we like to mask it through media.

(to read more about how you can become part of this conversation...turn to page 2!)

## Upcoming Events

02/11 Movie Night: *Plastic Ocean*

07/11 English Conversation Series: Dinner with the VETs

08/11 TEDx Salon

??/11 Special Christmas Events  
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## Do I need a ticket to visit the Drop-In Centre?

No, you can always just “drop in.” However, since we’ve been getting long lines of students on occasion, we’ve created cue card “tickets” to help us ensure that we meet with the maximum number of students in a fair way. Keep in mind, **You cannot just pick up a ticket to use later in the day or another day.** The tickets hold your place in line and give you a chance to return during *the next* session only if you waited the whole time, and we didn't get to you!



## TEDx: Join the Conversation

TEDx events are made possible by the help of student volunteers, and you, too, can get involved in this great opportunity! To get an inside look at this role, we interviewed student volunteer and English Ambassador, Ara Palencia. Ara has been a dedicated supporter of the TEDx Talks hosted at Lingnan, getting involved in whichever way she can every year. She shared with us her interaction with Elaine Ng Yan Ling, a speaker at last year's TEDx event, saying she was "down to earth and a curious investigator crucial for the fashion industry." Elaine spoke about a project she has been working on regarding the creation of special silk textiles from a small village in mainland China, and as a volunteer, Ara had the chance to interact with her in depth and form a valuable connection.

At TEDx, you can not only encounter "like-minded" people but also meet leaders with interests in things that may have never occurred to you before. The genuine and raw feeling of sharing information and ideas create roadways to new questions and topics that will nurture and feed the intellectuality of society.

**Want to get involved? Email us today!**



**"to be able to meet Elaine was so amazing because not only did I learn about a new topic, but I also met an inspirational and influential person"**

**– Ara Palencia, TEDx Student Volunteer**

## Adding **Clarity** to your Grammar

We get it; English grammar is hard! The good news is, if you're looking for a new way to improve your grammar, we have a tool for you! Tense Busters is an online program designed to systematically teach you grammar concepts at your own pace with over 30 lessons ranging from elementary to advanced. Each lesson includes information on usage, audio clips for pronunciation, and exercises to practice! **If you want to take advantage of this tool, come to the Drop-in Centre to sign up for a FREE account** that you can use anytime, anywhere (there's even an App!)



# Thanksgiving Word Search

Learning new vocabulary doesn't have to be boring. Search for these words related to this U.S. Holiday, and then come to the Drop-in Centre to tell us about your favorite festivals and holiday traditions. Practice makes perfect!



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### HAPPY THANKSGIVING WORD SEARCH

P	C	O	W	X	Y	W	O	C	O	W	X	Y	W	W
U	H	K	E	A	U	L	U	F	K	N	A	H	T	E
M	V	O	I	S	T	U	F	F	I	N	G	F	D	D
P	M	J	L	W	M	C	K	Y	J	T	W	A	C	B
K	T	A	U	I	K	N	J	T	G	U	D	M	N	R
I	N	M	H	C	D	G	M	U	M	Y	E	I	G	E
N	R	V	I	E	O	A	H	R	V	I	E	L	J	A
Q	E	B	O	R	L	D	Y	K	P	O	R	Y	D	D
F	R	I	E	N	D	S	A	E	I	P	F	P	K	D
S	Q	U	L	B	L	L	S	Y	U	L	B	L	L	O
W	A	Y	G	S	E	O	T	A	T	O	P	A	O	O
X	S	A	L	A	D	I	X	S	T	K	G	Q	I	F
D	Y	A	M	A	D	S	D	D	R	M	B	Z	U	U
F	L	T	H	A	N	K	S	G	I	V	I	N	G	Y
G	P	Q	C	H	S	E	L	B	A	T	E	G	E	V

See how many of these words you can find in the puzzle. The words can be forward, backward or diagonal.

1. <b>THANKSGIVING</b>	5. <b>THANKFUL</b>	9. <b>STUFFING</b>	13. <b>PUMPKIN</b>
2. <b>HOLIDAY</b>	6. <b>FOOD</b>	10. <b>SALAD</b>	14. <b>PIE</b>
3. <b>FAMILY</b>	7. <b>TURKEY</b>	11. <b>BREAD</b>	15. <b>VEGETABLES</b>
4. <b>FRIENDS</b>	8. <b>POTATOES</b>	12. <b>YAM</b>	16. <b>HAM</b>