

# ELSS Express

January/February 2018

## Upcoming Events

Jan. 31 English  
Conversation Series:  
Lunch with the VETs

Feb. 8 Movie Night:  
*Hairspray*

Feb. 12 English  
Conversation Series:  
Lunch with the VETs

March 3 TEDx: Change  
Makers

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Resolution (noun) – a firm decision to do or not do something. See our new year's resolutions on page 3

### Things We're Excited About

2018 is full of fun English events. Starting with... (see page 4)

## A Note from the VETs

Welcome to 2018! An extra warm welcome to the new exchange students and those of you who are returning to Lingnan after going on exchange. In case we haven't met, let us introduce ourselves: the five of us are visiting tutors from the U.S. who are here to help you improve your English!

We hope you all had a restful break and are ready for a new semester. While you were taking exams, we were preparing for the new semester, and we've got fresh discussion topics, better workshops, and new drop-in centre resources for you! We also got to do some travelling. Check out page 3 to find out where we went.

Hope to see you soon!

~ The VETs: Amala, Carmela, Liz, Molly, and Walter

# How Can We Help?

If your new year’s resolution is to improve your English (or maybe just finish all those independent learning requirements on time), there are plenty of ways we can help! Here’s a refresher on our services:

Every weekday we offer:

- Workshops on academic speaking skills, reading, scientific vocabulary, and IELTS prep
- Chat rooms to practice your conversational English held every half hour
- The Writing Tutorial Service (WTS) for advice and guidance on any type of writing you bring in
- The Speaking Studio for you to work on a presentation, interview, or any speaking you want to practice!



Not sure where to start? Come to the drop-in centre!

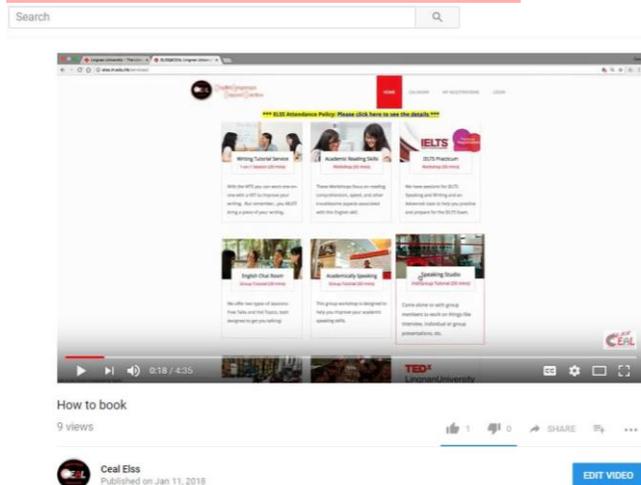
**Website:** [elss.ln.edu.hk](http://elss.ln.edu.hk)

**Drop-in Centre Hours:**  
LBY 202

Mon-Fri: 10:30 am – 1:30 pm, 3:00-6:00 pm

**Social Media:**  
Add us on Facebook and follow us on Instagram @cealelss

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## How to book an appointment

We have a new video for you that explains how to book and manage your appointments online.

Find it on our **Ceal Elss YouTube Channel:**  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XYj7Zu7PdiE&feature=youtu.be&a=>

# Get to Know the VETs

What did you do over break? What's your New Years Resolution for 2018?



**Carmela** traveled to Shanghai and Beijing, explored Hong Kong, five cities in Vietnam, said hi to Phnom Penh and ended her break in Siem Reap and the famous Angkor Wat in Cambodia

My Resolution: Teach myself another language and go home for Christmas next year.

**Walter** toured China by train, visiting Beijing, Xian, and Harbin

My Resolution: Follow through more on things I started: I have several papers and essays I want to finish writing, an art project I want to complete, and I want to commit to learning the guitar and how to read music!



**Molly** wandered Thailand, stopped in Bali and Kuala Lumpur, and visited her grandma in England

My Resolution: Embolden my creative self: every day I am going to draw something, write something, read something, or make something.



**Amala** spent her break exploring Tokyo with friends!

My Resolution: Focus on improving my mind. I want to spend more time reading and listening to podcasts instead of watching tv.

## How about you?

Email us or visit the drop-in centre to tell us a story about your break or your new year's resolution! Even if you didn't travel far, we'd love to hear about what you did.

The most creative story will win a prize! All submissions due by 12:00 am, February 28



**Liz** saw Singapore, toured Hong Kong with her brother, then traveled to Cambodia and the Philippines.

My Resolution: Read more! My goal is to finish 20 books including at least 2 books of poetry.

## Coming up in 2018



**Get Your  
Tickets Now**  
at the Drop-In  
Centre!

(LBY 202)

Get inspired by innovative ideas from today's leaders, and **earn 3 ILPs!** You'll hear from a designer focused on addressing the needs of the elderly, a master chef, a biotechnology engineer who also was a former Miss India Oman, a marine biologist looking out for an endangered fish with very large lips, and more.

Interested? You can pick up your ticket from the ELSS Drop in Centre with a \$20 deposit, refundable upon proof of attendance. **Tickets are limited, so get yours today!**

### First movie night of the semester!

A lively musical about a group of teenagers overcoming oppression through dance

