

1 The Digital Museum: A Case Study of Digital Applications in 2 the National Palace Museum

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7 **Abstract**

8 In our current age of information, digitization, democratization, and globalization, technology
9 has changed people's habits to expect immediately accessible information. Technology is no
10 longer merely a tool, but a ?new? medium capable of instantaneously and seamlessly altering
11 people's internal consciousness. As the treasure houses of art and artifacts, museums have
12 evolved with the times to establish its presence and accessibility in the information age,
13 digitizing its collection from which new exhibition formats and museum experiences can be
14 created. This paper conducts a literature review of digitization's impact on the curatorial
15 efforts of major world-renowned national museums as the context for a case study evaluating
16 the fruits of digitization at the National Palace Museum in recent years, with a focus on the
17 most recent new media art exhibition, the Giuseppe Castiglione: Lang Shining New Media
18 Art Exhibition.

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20 **Index terms**— new media art, digital art, digital curation, digital archive, national palace museum, database,
21 information society.

22 **1 Introduction**

23 here is no stasis in nature, and institutions such as the museum is in constant flux, always bending to the
24 times. Although the traditional function of the museum has revolved around collecting, preserving, researching,
25 and displaying objects, in the last decades, museums have undergone transformation from an object-oriented
26 repository to an increasingly open, public, and participatory social space. Its most recent transformation, brought
27 about by the adoption of digital technology into its institutional infrastructure, public service framework, and
28 ideological self concept, has opened a whole new dimension of museum experience. In the digital dimension,
29 technologies such as mobile applications, interactive table tops, virtual reality, and smart glasses have the power
30 to enliven a static exhibition with an array of stimulating sounds, images, and videos. Aided by digital media,
31 exhibitions can now present source materials from a variety of viewpoints and create multi-layered activities
32 to engage visitors. Such a degree of depth and involvement creates for more enjoyable and more memorable
33 exhibition experiences. Application of creative technology, therefore, has becomes one of the museum's core
34 tasks in the digital age.

35 The National Palace Museum (NPM) in Taipei, Taiwan, began to systematically digitize its collection under
36 the pressure of the government's National Digital Archives Project, which ran from 2002-2012. Now, with over ten
37 years of experience incorporating technology into its infrastructure, the NPM operates with the core principle of
38 using technology as a platform for marketing its world-class collection to the world. This paper examines NPM's
39 digitization progress since the end of the National Digital Archives Project in 2012 together with that of major
40 national museums as the background for a case study evaluating its most recent new media art exhibition, the
41 Giuseppe Castiglione: Lang Shining New Media Art Exhibition.

42 2 II.

43 3 Historical Background a) The Birth of "New" Media

44 While the presence of digital media did not assume a significant presence in art museums until the 1980s,
45 contemplation of their use appeared much earlier. As early as 1900, Felix-Louis Regnault, a French physician,
46 anthropologist, and physician, proposed the idea that all museums should collect "moving artifacts" for study
47 and exhibition (1). Regnault imagined the museum as not just an artifact repository but a center of teaching in
48 which researchers or members of the general public can retrieve historical documents, sound recordings, still and
49 moving images "at the flick of a switch" (2). Only a year after, in 1901, the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New
50 York City produced a forerunner to our contemporary interactive exhibit when curators installed a display case
51 that allowed visitors to turn the pages of an art book by inserting their hands into its sides (3).

52 Because of the interdisciplinary nature of digital technology, it quickly became a topic of active discussion
53 when technology entered art and art institutions. The digital revolution in the 1960s marked a period of
54 intense reflection regarding the growing closeness between technology and art. The advent and popularization
55 of photography and film broadened the expressive potential of technology and changed people's habits of seeing.
56 Technologies from the harder sciences, such as computer-assisted design, which was implemented in building
57 engineering, and computer imaging, used in military research, gradually became the tools of artistic expression
58 (4). Since 1969, the

59 4 b) The Place of Digital Media in Museums

60 The adoption of digital media as supporting material for traditional art coincided with a shift in the role of
61 museums. Traditionally, museums were the physical manifestations of a nation's cultural heritage. They were
62 vested with the responsibility of forming the identity of a nation and acted as the ritual display of a nation's
63 power and wealth. In the 18th to 19th centuries, large scale national museums arose out of a need to redefine
64 national identity with the fall of monarchies and the redivision of power among newly formed nation states.
65 Private collections of the immensely wealthy or royal families were converted into national museums to showcase
66 a country's cultural prestige. The British Museum was established by an act of Parliament in 1753 converting
67 much of the 80,000 objects in the private collection of Sir Hans Sloane to the public treasury (6). The Louvre,
68 which served as royal residence for over four centuries, was decreed by the National Constituent Assembly to be
69 made into a public museum after the fall of the monarchy in 1792. The collection at the Hermitage, once the
70 private collection of Catherine the Great herself, became available to the public in 1852. The Palace Museum in
71 Beijing was also established in 1925 after the expulsion of Puyi, the last emperor of China. The ensuing Chinese
72 Civil War culminating in the creation of two Chinas, a split remaining to this day, is reflected in the establishment
73 of the National Palace Museum in Taipei in 1965.

74 While fundamentally, a museum's ability to define a culture has not much changed, in recent decades, a shift
75 has occurred from its being inwardly focused on upholding and preserving the institution itself as a cultural
76 symbol to being outwardly focused on public service. This shift is evidenced across the museum spectrum,
77 be it large scale national museums with an encyclopedia collection and worldview or smaller specialist museums
78 focusing on obscurer subjects. At the 1974 International Council of Museums (ICOM) conference in Copenhagen,
79 a shift in the focus of museums from "self-contained professional units" to "cultural centers for the communities
80 within which they operate" was universally established (7). How museums can better benefit audiences and
81 how museums should take up the burden of educating communities came to the forefront of museum concerns
82 and helped shape their new social function. Hence, when this change in museum need occurred, most museum
83 directors and curators embraced new digital technologies for their ability to contextualize exhibitions, disseminate
84 knowledge, and increase museum attendance.

85 5 c) The Digital Museum

86 As seen in how much of the technology of the past half-century have already been replaced by digital
87 communication, the result of growing technological advances and the museum's shift in emphasis to its audience
88 members have made applications of technology integral to museum development. In the midnineties, the concept
89 of the "information society" arose; government attention and public awareness of this idea led to expectations
90 of information access to become the new norm. The top museums of the world were the first to answer this
91 demand. One of the earliest, the Metropolitan Museum of Art on October 13th 1995, two years before Google
92 was registered as a domain, managed to officially inaugurate its website so that users throughout the world can
93 retrieve immediate and up-to-date information (8). In the years after the millenium, the sweeping development
94 of museums across the world was to begin to gradually and systematically digitize its collection to make itself
95 part of the information pool. In 1999, British Museum started to use software developed by System Simulation
96 Ltd. Though technically its different departments did begin to digitize their disparate collections by piecemeal
97 as early as the 1970s, it was after the millennium when the museum as a whole considered an integrated digital
98 collection a core museum responsibility. Starting in 2004, the British Museum began to add digital image files
99 to the collection database, and in 2007 it made the decision to place its database on the museum website (9).
100 Elsewhere, the European Union started in 2008 to create an online portal, Europeana, which made all public

101 domain masterpieces accessible (10). As of 2016, there are currently almost 50 million items on the portal.
102 Similarly, Google, in 2011, launched the Google Art Project, which cooperated with 17 international museums to
103 combine museum virtual tours with Google's Street View technology. Following the success of the Art Project, the
104 Google Cultural Institute was established in the same year and has since collaborated with its partner museums
105 to create digital exhibitions online every year. The proliferation of these digital platforms for art is, however, not
106 without its critics.

107 In 2014, Mike Pepi, in a review of the Google Art Project titled, "Is a Museum a Database," seems to lament
108 that the capabilities of multimedia has begun to slowly erode museum institutions and the transformation of its
109 physical assets into its digital assets will somehow destabilize the institution. In his idea of the current state of
110 museums, he perceives that digitization is not just a matter of organization, but it allows the encroachment of
111 Silicon Valley tech logic and entrepreneurial paradigms, which have the potential to further divorce museums
112 from their objects (11). However, it is too soon to clamor when a museum plans its exhibitions to accommodate
113 instruments such as the Google Glass or virtual reality equipment, because these emerging technologies are

114 **6 Digital Curation in National Museums**

115 In recent years, museums of any renown have not just enriched their services and experimented with videos,
116 sound effects, lighting, and other forms of media, but have been expanding and experimenting with its digital
117 dimension.

118 **7 a) The Louvre**

119 The Louvre's website currently features a searchable collection database, a section on thematic selections, virtual
120 gallery tours, and other multimedia features. The "Focus" module allows users to zoom in and out of 15 selected
121 masterpieces. A series of instructional videos, titled "the Elements of Art" teaches art concepts with video
122 demonstrations.

123 Starting from 2006 to the present, the Louvre collaborated with Dai Nippon Printing (DNP) to establish
124 Louvre-DNP Museum Lab, which is responsible for creating most of the Louvre's multimedia services. Now, the
125 collaboration is in the tenth year of its operation. In recent years, the Museum Lab has organized many new
126 media art exhibitions in Paris and Tokyo. Aside from experimenting with new media display methods, Museum
127 Lab has the two core principles of "changing our view" to "changing our viewpoint," which it tries to achieve
128 with its website, workshops, and other programs.

129 For example, in 2012, the Museum Lab presented The Boy in Blue, Goya and Spanish Painting in the Louvre.
130 This exhibition uses multimedia materials to allow visitors to approach the art work from the various perspectives
131 of the collector, researcher, curator, artist, and public. Visitors also have the opportunity to create their own art
132 in the exhibition space. A multimedia tour guide in the life sized form of the curator is available at the exhibition
133 entrance to greet visitors and provide explanations in different language settings. Tangible user interface take
134 it a step further by connection visitor behavior to relevant information; visitors can experience hand operated
135 projection mapping, a technology combining 2D videos and 3D technology. At the same time, the lab space in
136 Tokyo exhibited many of the Louvre's collection in multimedia forms. From 2011 onward, Museum Lab continued
137 to use digital media to showcase its art and artifacts, alternately presenting new media installations and similar
138 multimedia resources based on its different collection departments (12).

139 **8 b) The British Museum**

140 The British Museum began in 1979 to digitize its records in the Department of Ethnography. The first interactive
141 databases were installed in 1988 and, since then, all new object have been added in the same way. As of the
142 March update, there are currently 2,254,259 records in the database and new ones are being added every day.
143 Information on the website published under the Creative Commons license is free for public use. An interactive
144 feature on the website is the Portable Antiquities Scheme, which is a portal for members of the public to upload
145 images of archaeological objects found in England and Wales.

146 The British Museum's main technological partner is Samsung. From 2009 to the present, they established the
147 Samsung Digital Discovery Centre (SDDC) as part of the government effort to improve national digital illiteracy.
148 SDDC proactively infuses digital applications into the museum's education and exhibition services. Not loath to
149 devote high costs to purchase the most up to date digital learning resources, the centre boasts 30 of Samsungs
150 newest tablet computers and 24 digital cameras. The children through using equipment provided by Samsung
151 can learn about world cultures, from Buddhist statues to Egyptian hieroglyphics, from antique clocks to clothing.
152 The collaboration with Samsung also allows the British Museum to become the leading museum in the UK in
153 developing projects such as augmented reality mobile apps and dynamic workshops for children from ages three
154 to eighteen. In addition to these services, the British museum plans to extend its digital resources to university
155 staff training programs and introduce them to 3D printing, 3D animations, and augmented reality (13).

156 **9 c) The Metropolitan Museum of Art**

157 The Metropolitan Museum's digital department established an independent Media Lab with the purpose to
158 create new museum experiences using emerging technologies. Invigorated by the creative tech communities in

159 New York, the Media Lab shares the fruits of its labor with different curatorial departments in order to enhance
160 museum services. The Media Lab's mission is to examine the relationship between technology and the humanities,
161 covering topics such as: how does the technological applications in exhibition rooms impact visitor experience?
162 how will creative technology affect artistic applications? how can digital tools assist cooperative learning? how
163 to establish creative interactive communities for digital archives? how to transform existing resources into new
164 media art? and how to promote progress in digital tools research?

165 The digital department has a blog called the Digital Underground, which regularly shares insights on the
166 museum's digital activities. The online collection database, as of March 2016, has 424,726 records.

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169 still in the developmental phases and experimentation is necessary to refine its application before it can work
170 seamlessly in the service of art objects. Meanwhile, digital resources have become an asset in itself, and the the
171 Thomas J. Watson Library collection has also been digitized and placed on the website (14).

172 IV.

173 12 Digital Applications in the National Palace Museum

174 The National Palace Museum houses over seventy thousand items of accumulated treasures from different
175 royal dynastic collections in Chinese history, with historical documents, maps, and artifacts from the Qing
176 dynasty making up the majority. Over the years, the NPM has held true to its responsibility of ensuring
177 the collection's safety, undergoing research, planning exhibitions, promoting education outreach and academic
178 exchange, and servicing visitors. Since the establishment of the National Palace Museum in 1965, the museum
179 has used traditional methods of preservation, exhibition curation, and museum merchandising. Its catalogues and
180 publications were entirely in paper form. Starting in 1996, the National Palace Museum began to change under
181 the pressures of a society slowly transformed by digital technology. In that year, following the Department of
182 Rare Books and Historical Document's publication of the Grand Council Archives, a monumental project which
183 took 20 years to complete, the NPM decided to incorporate digital photography and computer technology into its
184 archival methods. To save the original paper documents from further deterioration, the NPM began to digitize
185 the nineteen hundred thousand documents in the Military Affairs Department: Monthly Memoranda collection.
186 This digitization project plan, named "Historical Document CD Production Project Plan," began officially in
187 1997 to transfer all the images in the Military Affair Department Document card catalogue collection into a
188 digital archive. This endeavor was the start of the NPM's digital collection.

189 In 2002, the National Palace Museum proactively took part in the National Digital Archives Project organized
190 by the Executive Yuan. The Department of Rare Books and Historical Documents, the Department of
191 Antiquities, the Department of Painting and Calligraphy, the Department of Registration and Conservation,
192 and the Department of Education, Exhibition, and Information Services all joined the effort, split up into seven
193 subordinate projects to establish twenty one different databases. Allowing the NPM to maximize the use and
194 potential of its collection, digitization across departments immensely improved the quality of the museum's
195 collection management, artifact preservation, exhibition curation, education promotion, research publication,
196 digital application, merchandising, and public services. Because the National Digital Archives Project was almost
197 exactly synchronous with the technological trends that arose at the turn of the millennium in Europe and America,
198 the National Palace Museum has managed to remain up to date in the digital age. Since the implementation of
199 the National Digital Archives Project, the NPM's videos, interactive installations, and metadata technological
200 standards have all been developed in accordance with international museum data industry standards.

201 To this day, the National Palace Museum has been continuously updating its technology and digital resources
202 and has accumulated over 10 years of experience using digital technology. In these ten years, the NPM's
203 digitization efforts were sponsored by three government funds: Digital Museum Project, National Digital Archives
204 Project, and National Digital Archives and Digital Learning Project. The National Digital Archives Project
205 reached official completion in 2012, by which time, technology had already firmly taken root in the museum's
206 infrastructure, making the NPM capable and ready to adapt in the fast-paced digital age. In the years since
207 2012, the National Palace Museum has been working on the NPM Initiative to Promote Digitization Services
208 Project and the NPM 4G Mobile Museum Project.

209 13 a) NPM Initiative to Promote Digitization Services

210 In 2014, products of this initiative include Diplomatic Credentials Failed to Deliver mobile applications,
211 Diplomatic Credentials Failed to Deliver Documentary, iPAlce Channel test run, Rural Education Development
212 Project, etc. "The National Palace Museum iPAlce Channel" is the National Palace Museum's cloud multimedia
213 platform. It is the biggest and most influential project under the initiative. Having both English and Chinese
214 versions, it contains a collection of 31 multimedia works and a wide range of digital learning resources carefully
215 produced by the National Palace Museum. From the iPAlce Channel's induction in early 2014 to the present
216 time, the NPM has organized many educational outreach activities and continuing education programs based on

217 the resources in this channel. Starting in 2014, the NPM began a trial operation by teaching its lesson plans
218 based on the iPalace Channel to 10 primary and secondary schools in educational priority areas.

219 A total of 613 students participated, aboriginal students accounting for 15.4 %, new immigrant children 14.7
220 % , Taiwanese students 66.3%, Hakka students 3.6 % of the total. In 2015, the NPM extended its educational
221 outreach operations to 21 schools (19 rural, 2 educational priority). A total of 537 students participated, aboriginal
222 students accounting for 41% of the total, marking a significant improvement. Due to the positive reception of
223 the trial and the first phase, the NPM continued to the second phase, this time covering

224 **14 Year 2016**

225 The Digital Museum: A Case Study of Digital Applications in the National Palace Museum from the collection
226 on a chronological timeline to tell the story of art and global culture. Over 900,000 volumes in Based on its
227 digital collection, the Heilbrunn Timeline of Art History is a wonderful example of curating data in the digital
228 dimension. The timeline places essays and items

229 **15 b) NPM 4G Mobile Museum**

230 Answering the government's push for developing open content as a way to enrich community resources, the NPM
231 4G Mobile Museum project is the crucial next step for the National Digital Archives Project. The NPM 4G
232 Mobile Museum Project works to accelerate the incorporation of mobile broadband services and mobile industry
233 standards, by producing digital content and creative applications from the museum collection, maximizing the
234 museum's value, and increasing the museum's 4G services. In 2015, the core principle for digital development
235 is "to make the NPM a portable, zero-distance learning resource to the world with cloud platform technology."
236 Under the NPM 4G Mobile Museum Project were four subordinate project plans:

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238 **16 . Developing Innovative 4G Applications**

239 The NPM experimented with 4G mobile technology, wearable smart-technology accessories, iBeacon, and
240 augmented reality to create mobile tour guide service applications. A Creative Mobile Applications Competition,
241 in which industry, public, academic, and technological institutions were invited to develop applications from the
242 museum collection, was also held to encourage involvement of creative talent in the local communities (15).

243 **17 ii. Creating Innovative 4G Content**

244 The NPM produced two films in 4K resolution: Documenting Victory in Etching, a film about the history of
245 Victory in the Pacification of the Dzungars and Muslims, a series of copperplate prints drafted by Giuseppe
246 Castiglione (1688-1766); and Adventures of the Mythical Creatures at the National Palace Museum, a 3D
247 animation film based on animals in Castiglione's paintings. In addition to these newly produced 4K films, the
248 NPM also uploaded 39 4G compatible videos, added 180 4G compatible entries to the NPM Selections Website,
249 and created 27 exhibition theme sites (16).

250 **18 iii. Establishing an Open Data Platform**

251 In mid-October 2015, the NPM Open Data Platform officially launched online. The old interface had been
252 completely redesigned. For the first time, artifact images and information are available for download for free.
253 Exhibition packages, containing information on individual exhibitions, were also available for download. The
254 platform uses user-friendly functions such as search queries organized by period, artifact type, or keywords (17).
255 New Media Art Exhibition." In the main branch in Taipei, the NPM produced "Giuseppe Castiglione: Lang
256 Shining New Media Art Exhibition," which, due to its success, later opened and exhibited at the Basilica of
257 Santa Croce in Milan, Italy. Finally, in collaboration of Taiwan Power Company, the NPM opened "National
258 Treasures for FUN New Media Art Exhibition" at Pingtung county in Southern Taiwan (18).

259 V.

260 **19 Giuseppe Castiglione: Lang Shining New Media Art Exhibition a) Art and Cultural Exchange**

261 This exhibition centers on the court painter, Giuseppe Castiglione (1688-1766), a painter-missionary whose
262 intercultural exchanges at the Qing court in the seventeenth century evoke the spirit of our current age.

263 Between the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, Jesuit missionaries committed themselves to visual art and
264 architecture as ways to spread the Catholic faith. Born in Milan, Italy, Giuseppe Castiglione studied oil painting
265 at the professional workshop of Filippo Abiati and joined the Society of Jesus in Genoa at the age of 19. In
266 1715, Castiglione traveled to Beijing, China, and, under the recommendation of Matteo Ripa, a fellow painter-
267 missionary, established himself as a professional painter at the Qing court. There, by the name Lang Shi-ning, he
268 served for fifty one years under the consecutive reigns of emperors Kangxi (1661-1722), Yongzheng (1722-1735),

270 and Qianlong (1735-1796). His stay allowed for significant cultural exchange between East and West. While he
271 toned down his painting

272 20 Digital Application

273 No. The National Palace Museum in order to keep cultural art and artifacts apace the digital age has brought
274 his works to the digital world in a way that mingles the real with the virtual. The "Giuseppe Castiglione-Lang
275 Shining New Media Art Exhibition" is in tune with the current state of art museums as that which extends
276 beyond the physical exhibition space. Originally, this new media art exhibition was designed as a multimedia
277 companion to "Portrayals of a Brush Divine," an exhibition of Castiglione's paintings housed at the NPM in
278 Taipei. However, this new media art exhibition has since evolved into the role of cultural ambassador. Three
279 hundred years after Castiglione's coming to China, using digital media, the NPM is finally able to bring his work
280 back to his homeland and to other countries, which otherwise would not have had the chance to enjoy his art.

281 21 b) New Media Art Technology

282 The design of this exhibition takes into account the changes of people's perception habits brought about by the
283 digital age, in which people increasingly rely on hand held devices to navigate the world. It assumes audiences
284 are moderately familiar with technology but accommodates those less technologically savvy with traditional
285 supplementary exhibition materials. The main body of exhibited materials were a combination of digital replicas
286 of Castiglione's paintings and a total of ten new media art installations, plus one 4K resolution animation
287 produced for this exhibition.

288 Virtual Guides and Mobile Application are accessible from 3D animations of Emperor Qianlong and a
289 seventeenth century nun displayed on either side of the exhibition entrance. The two figures direct visitors
290 to scan the QR codes for the Chinese and English versions of the exhibition mobile application. The mobile
291 application combines QR code, 4G LTE, iBeacon, and augmented reality technology to add interactive features
292 to the physical tour.

293 Castiglione's Road to China contains a timeline of Castiglione's life. Controlled using a touch screen, the
294 installation contains video clips introducing Castiglione's birthplace, his time at Genoa and Coimbra, his journey
295 from Lisbon to China, and finally his time in Beijing.

296 A Peacock Made of Light is based on the painting Peacock Spreading its Tail Feathers (1758). The concept
297 behind its creation is transparenspective, which is a synesthetic play on the traditional notion of combining
298 the play of light and shadow to work with perspective. The centerpiece is the peacock model, which is a light
299 sculpture made of multiple optoelectronic materials used to modulate light transmission and imaging. Audio
300 surround sound plays traditional Chinese music, baroque music, and soft ambient music. The lighting and
301 projected scenery in the background simulates the alternation between night and day.

302 Explore the Flora and Fauna of Castiglione is a linear wall navigator in which viewers can explore a virtual
303 landscape populated with plants and animals from Castiglione's many paintings. Visitors can explore the
304 landscape by rolling a display screen along rails mounted on the wall. To find out the source of a particular
305 landscape feature, visitors only need to pause and the original painting will pop up.

306 Let's Paint One Hundred Horses is geared towards younger audiences who may not be able to grasp or be
307 engaged by facts and dates. Let's Paint One Hundred Horses allows visitors to color the horses from Castiglione's
308 painting on tablet computers and upload the finished image on to the complete painting projected in the exhibition
309 room.

310 Castiglione's Virtual Flowers are two augmented reality installations that bring to life Castiglione's still-life
311 masterpieces Gathering of Auspicious Signs (1723) and Vase of Flowers(1723). Viewers look through a digital
312 tablet and Castiglione's flowers will appear as 3D holograms on the pedestal.

313 A Tour of the Imperial Garden installation is based on Immortal Blossoms of the Everlasting Spring (1723-25).
314 It is composed of four interspersed light columns made out of LED light boxes. The lighting and sound effects
315 also simulates the alternation between night and day. The screens on the columns display flowers from Immortal
316 Blossoms and are able to zoom in and out to create the illusion of walking into the picture plane.

317 The Chime Clock is modeled on "Clock in the form of a Birdcage." The work is inspired by the concept of the
318 passage of time and employs the technology of projection mapping, power generating machine, and adjustable
319 electric window tint film to create succession of seasons and years.

320 Creating Golden Pheasant in Springs is one of many of Castiglione's paintings painted in collaboration
321 with other painters. To make good use of this concept, this installation allows users to take pictures with
322 the installed iPad and upload their photos to the system, looking at the exhibited items, will see the related
323 supplementary information appear automatically on the display glass while the companion auditory information
324 will play simultaneously on the headphones.

325 Adventures of the Mythical Creatures in the National Palace Museum is National Palace Museum's first 4K
326 resolution animation. This animation film creates a fantasy story around Castiglione's painting Ten Fine Hounds.
327 These ten hounds, once prized tributes to the emperor, along with other creatures featured in Castiglione's
328 paintings must gather to save a friend, the roe deer.

329 **22 c) Exhibition Evaluation**

330 The evaluation for this exhibition was conducted through the exhibition mobile application. The period in which
331 the data was gathered for this study was from 10/08/2015 to 01/04/2016 at the Taipei location. A total of
332 189 people partook in the APP questionnaire in this time frame. Normally, visitors who are willing to fill out
333 surveys without the lure of giveaways and presents already prove their level of loyalty. The collection method
334 for this questionnaire was also completely passive as there was no marketing and solicitation for participation,
335 therefore the study is completely neutral and reliable. In this exhibition, there were more female than male
336 visitors. Female visitors occupied 60.89%, male Out of the questionnaire results, 55.31% of the visitors visit the
337 National Palace Museum more than twice a year, falling under the general high frequency visiting group. Out of
338 all the women between the ages 31-50, 65.31% visit often, which is approximately 10% more than the general high
339 frequency visiting group. From an analysis of visitors' feedback regarding exhibition content, collection content,
340 display methods, exhibition layout and flow, the satisfaction rating was 80.45%. When asked how satisfied they
341 were of the exhibition's overall design, 24.58% were highly satisfied, 62.57% were satisfied; together the total is
342 87.15%. These results show the exhibition's popularity with the public.

343 **23 VI.**

344 **24 Conclusion**

345 This evaluation of the National Palace Museum's most recent new media art exhibition, Giuseppe Castiglione:
346 Lang Shining New Media Art Exhibition, shows that the museum digital applications successfully serves its
347 community. High satisfaction ratings show that the public is receptive and making use of the NPM's different
348 attempts to incorporate other forms of media displays alongside its art and artifacts. Seen in context with a
349 summary of digital applications in other world museums, this paper means to show the NPM's digital progress
350 and achievements in recent years have remained apace with world-wide technological trends.

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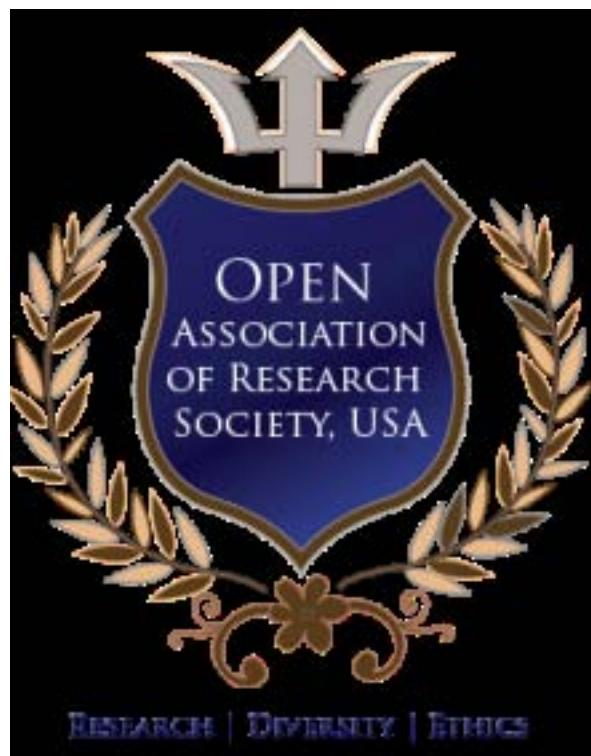


Figure 1:

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Figure 2: Table 1 :

4G Creative Mobile Applications Development	1
4G Creative Mobile Applications Competition	1
4G Film in 4K Resolution	2
4G Compatible NPM Selections entries	180
4GCompatible Exhibition Theme Sites	197
4GCompatible Videos 4G Innovative Applications Lab	39
4GNew Media Art Exhibitions	1 2
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[Note: © 2016 Global Journals Inc. (US) tendency towards high drama and stark contrast between light and dark inherited from his professional training during the Baroque period to suit the tastes of Chinese emperors, his works inaugurated a new age in the history of Chinese court painting.]

Figure 3:

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By Sex		
Sex	No.	Percentage
Male	70	39.11?
Female	109	60.89?
By Age		
Age Range	No.	Percentage
Under 20	22	12.29?
20-30	33	18.44?
31-50	80	44.69?
51-70	42	23.46?
Over 70	2	1.12?
Total	179	

Figure 4: Table 2 :

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Total	179	
Overall Satisfaction		
Rating	No.	Percentage
Very unsatisfactory	2	1.12
Unsatisfactory	21	11.73
Satisfactory	112	62.57
Very satisfactory	44	24.58
Total	179	

Figure 5: Table 4 :

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Total	179
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Figure 6: Table 3 :

354 [21 st century roles of national museums: A conversation in progress (2002)] *21 st century roles of national mu-*
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