

Hello everybody, and welcome to a new episode of News Bites!

I'm Trevor Tortomasi...

And I'm Nancy Sun.

In today's news:

A Taiwanese movie wins an award, NASA gets ready to hit an asteroid, and lots of new Marvel shows are coming soon.

All that and more, coming up next.

台灣動畫 美國芝加哥電影節獲獎

Taiwan Animation Wins Award At Chicago Film Fest

A Taiwanese movie has just won an award!

The movie is called "City of Lost Things", and won first place for animated films at the Chicago International Children's Film Festival.

這部電影，叫做【廢棄之城】，在美國芝加哥的國際兒童電影節，贏得動畫電影第一名！

The movie's director (導演) was Yee Chih-yen (易智言), and the main characters were voiced by Joseph Chang (張孝全), Kwai Lun-Mei (桂綸鎂) and River Huang (黃河).

The movie tells the story of a young boy named Leaf, who doesn't have much confidence (自信) in himself.

Leaf finds his way to a place called the City of Lost Things, which is filled with things that people don't want anymore.

And he soon finds some new friends and goes on a journey with them, while learning about self-worth.

男孩找到一些新朋友，開始跟他們一起旅行，同時認識自己的價值。

The movie's achievement (成就) at the film festival was the first time in 22 years that a Taiwanese film won the prize.

That's after the movie "Grandma and Her Ghosts" (魔法阿媽) won the prize, in the year 1999.

And City of Lost Things had already won the award for Best Animation Feature (最佳動畫長片獎) at the Golden Horse Awards last year.

It was a tough project (計畫) to complete...

Director Yee says it took about 10 years to finish making the movie, and it cost around 100 million NT (一億台幣).

But he refused to give up, and says he is ready to move forward (往前走) with confidence.

So while you go on your own journey of self-worth, remember that it's not about the awards that you win...

It's about finishing the journey (完成旅程).

美國太空總署 展開首次防衛地球任務

NASA To Launch World's First Planetary Defense Mission

You probably know why there aren't any real dinosaurs (恐龍) still living today...

It's because 65 million years ago, Earth was hit by an asteroid.

那是因為六千萬五千年前，地球被小行星撞到。

This killed all of the biggest dinosaurs, and most of life on Earth.

Of course, nobody wants this to happen again!

So, scientists all over the world are doing their best to think of ways to protect Earth from any asteroids that might hit us in the future.

所以科學家現在絞盡腦汁，尋找辦法來保護地球以後不會被小行星撞上。

Because they're so small, and because outer space (外太空) is so big, it's a tough job just to find any asteroids.

But it's a tougher job to stop them, or even just to push them away!

Right now, scientists have found one specific asteroid, and are planning a mission (任務) to hit it.

The mission uses a small rocket called D.A.R.T., or "DART", which stands for "Double Asteroid Redirection Test".

The DART rocket is planning to slam into an asteroid called "Dimorphos", which is about 170 meters long.

這艘小太空船會去撞一顆直徑 170 公尺的小行星，看看是否能改變它的方向。

Scientists will use this test to learn as much as they can about redirecting asteroids.

The DART mission was launched this month by NASA, in the United States.

And it's expected to hit the asteroid in October of 2022.

The DART mission is part of an even bigger mission, which will get help from the European Space Agency (歐洲太空總署), or E.S.A.

Scientists say our planet should be safe from large asteroids for the next 100 years...

But even then, they say they can't see every single one.

So until then... this is the best we can do!

許多新的漫威電視節目

More Marvel Shows Coming

Fans of Marvel content have a lot to look forward to.

Disney recently celebrated its Disney Plus Day, and announced several new shows for the streaming platform.

A total of 12 Marvel projects were revealed then.

This includes both animations and live-action (實景) projects.

迪士尼宣布許多新的漫威電視節目將會在 [DISNEY PLUS](#) 串流平台發行。

There will be live action shows for both new characters as well as spin-offs from existing (現有) content.

The animated shows include continuations of previous projects, prequels, and entirely new franchises.

Some of these shows will start streaming in 2022 or 2023, while others do not have a release date yet.

Disney Plus recently became available here in Taiwan.

新的節目動畫和實景都有，[2022](#) 年開始陸續上映。

So, in today's News Bites:

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And that's today's episode of News Bites!

主播每周一問

Have Your Say

This week, we asked you to have your say about feeling thankful.
13-year-old Marjolaine, from Nanshan Senior High School in New Taipei City,
says she is thankful for her mother.

And that does it for this week's "Have Your Say"!
Remember, if your answer was chosen for the show this month, we'll be sending
you a gift in the mail.

Make sure to tune in again next week for an all-new question!