

MULTIFUNCTIONAL SPIDER CHAIRS FLOW THE CREATIVE JUICES OF ARCHITECTURE DEPARTMENT

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Have you noticed those 24 chairs in unusual shapes in front of the slope of the Architecture Department? Well, according to sources uncovered by Tamkang Times, there is an interesting name, 'spiders', for these creations, which are the works of six sophomores from the Department. They are all the students on the course on architectural structure and form lectured by Marco Casagrande and his business associate, Martin Ross. Both of them have been supervising those six students in creating these spider chairs over one semester.

One of the creators, Chang Shui-ting, said that her inspiration came from incidental observation that when people walked around a curve, they tended to turn closer to the bend rather than away from it. This drove her and her five other classmates to create spider-web-like chairs that provide a kind of barrier around the edge, which in turn can prevent visually impaired people from falling off. You can sit and place your bags on them at the same time as they can sustain more than 90 kilos of objects. (Ying-hsueh Hu)