

## ASEP 2015

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This was my second time participating in ASEP, but it was also my last. This time, it was absolutely different from last year. I cannot find any other memory that was so enjoyable and is precious as this ASEP.

Myself is one of the biggest things that changed. Last year, I enjoyed the stay, and made so many good memories, but to tell the truth, I had fear towards everything that happened during the stay. It was maybe because it was my first time studying abroad. Also, as I mentioned last year, I wasn't confident enough of my English; not only my English but also myself. The days I spent experiencing many new things this year changed me so much. Especially the WYM taught me how fun it is to present in front of people. The people I met there inspired me so much and stimulated my feelings towards challenging something difficult.

I felt the difference of myself even from the day before we went off to Taiwan. I wasn't nervous or worried, and was just excited to go. I was able to enjoy everything; literally everything.

Throughout the preparation I also felt that myself wasn't the only thing that changed. I was first surprised of Hazuki. She used to have no confidence to what she was doing, but this time, she was different. She told me that she will work as hard as possible. She worked really hard. Just like Alan said, she was our "brain." And she will never know how much her words encouraged me. Also, Anna and Hikari worked more than enough even though it was their first time in ASEP. They were always supportive and without any of them, I wouldn't be able to go through this. Each member worked so hard to give their best performance to the audience.

I am sure all of the members were concerned whether we can finish preparing. In fact, we finished all the preparation completely the day before we performed. Though, nobody complained



and never gave up.

We only had one or two days to practice, but I think our performance was more than a success. During our presentation, I made the biggest mistake. I forgot my lines. That moment I was in a panic, and the only thing I could do was to look at my friends standing behind me.

But the moment I looked back, all of them whispered my lines and helped me. Thanks to their help, I was able to continue my lines. I felt so blessed to work with such an awesome member. Of course I didn't feel completely good about the mistake I made, but beyond this, I was happy and satisfied. Some other members made mistakes as well, but the other members never blamed them and supported.

For the result, we got the platinum prize. I was happy. But the result didn't matter to me. The days I spent in Taiwan were worth more than that prize.

