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# Large-scale high-tech stage show makes a splash in Qingdao

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The Oriental Movie Metropolis is located in the West Coast New Area of Qingdao. [Photo/iqilu.com]

The much-anticipated large-scale high-tech stage water show featuring the legendary story of "Eight Immortals crossing the Sea" made its debut on April 29 at the Oriental Movie Metropolis in Qingdao's West Coast New Area.

The show, titled "Qing Show", is designed as a new business card for Qingdao to promote the city's culture and tourism industry, as well as fuel local development of marine economy and fashion business.

It was created by ATG, a world-class art team, over a period of four years. The team members are from China, the United States, Canada, Switzerland, Belgium and other countries and regions.



The show adopts unique local features in its stage design in a bid to give local audiences a wonderful experience.

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Luc Petit, known as the "master of magic" in the performing arts, holds the post of the show's director and artistic director. He has collaborated with organizations in the entertainment and event industry including the festival "Juste pour Rire", Cirque du Soleil, Jean-Paul Gaultier and Disney.

"The story of the eight immortals crossing the sea is itself an excellent subject for creation as each character has a distinct personality. The story intensifies with the addition of the four new elements of water, wind, ice and fire," said Petit.

The ancient Chinese mythology of "Ba Xian Guo Hai" or "Eight Immortals crossing the Sea" is quite popular among the people. It was included in the first batch of provincial intangible cultural heritage list in Shandong province in 2006.



Actors stage a wonderful show during the first public performance on April 29 in Qingdao. [Photo/iqilu.com]

According to creators, the show is a production featuring acrobatics, dancing and classic kung fu fighting and using holographic projection technology.

"The show is a high level performance with wonderful story layout, perfect stage design, professional martial arts actors, and real kung fu actions and scenes. It's a perfect fusion of traditional culture and modern stage art," said a spectator surnamed Li.



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