Abstract

The goal of the thesis is this study to employe Aristotle's *Tractatus Coislinianus* to review the film works of a modern comedian, Zhou Xing-Chi, and examine the adaptability of this theory to modern comedies. According to *Tractatus Coislinianus*, the plot structures of Greek comic were developed on the use of comedian languages and actions. In other words, They make both of impossible languages and actions possible accordingly the thesis attempt to prove that the plot structure of *Justice*, *My Foot* could be a formula for coming creation of comedies.

The plot structure of *Justice, My Foot* was completely adapted from Chou Xinfang's *Four Scholars* (*Sung Shijie*) and Ma Shizeng's *The Judge Goes to Pieces*. Through application of parody in Greek comedies, these originally serious play about judgment of a civil case was turned into a comedy. In *Justice, My Foot*, the comic device of puns follows the concept in *Tractatus Coislinianus* as the main comic language, while disguise, deception, and unexpected actions were used as the main dramatic actions. As a result, a new comic character actor and actions were formed. This comedy later became a representative of Zhou, Xing-Chi's works and helped him win the name of the King of Comedy in Hong Kong.

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