

A double happiness before the year ends

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A few days ago, I received the acceptance decision for the paper titled “Kingfisher: Contemplating the connection between nature and humans through science, art, literature, and lived experiences” [1].

The paper reflects most of my team’s philosophies and thoughts about the relationship between nature and humans. It demonstrates how wildlife, particularly the kingfisher, can be used as a connection between humans’ mental realm and natural reality through empirical science, community science, and wisdom.

I consider this paper my best-written article of 2023, so my feeling of happiness was immeasurable when I knew it got accepted.

The screenshot shows the Amazon.co.jp website interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with the Amazon logo, delivery location (Vietnam), search bar, and account options. Below that, a teal banner reads "Best Sellers" with the subtitle "Our most popular products based on sales. Updated hourly." The main content area is titled "Best Sellers in Humanist Philosophy" and features three product listings:

- #1: "The Kingfisher Story Collection (English...)" by Quan-Hoang Vuong, 7 stars, Kindle Unlimited.
- #2: "SPORTSX Pants Men's - blk" by Zero, 19 stars, Paperback.
- #3: "Death (The Open Yale Courses Series)" by Shelly Kagan, 210 stars, Paperback, priced at ¥2,871.

A sidebar on the left lists various categories under "Philosophy", including Humanism, Phenomenology, and Pragmatism. The URL at the bottom of the screenshot is: https://www.amazon.co.jp/-/en/ホーム-キッチン-消耗品・アクセサリ-キッチン-生活雑貨/b/?ie=UTF8&node=3828871&ref=nav_cs_home_kitchen

Amazon Japan, <https://www.amazon.co.jp/dp/B0BG2NNHY6> [1] (Accessed on: 11-12-2023)

Coincidentally, a book by my co-author, Prof. Vuong, which is one of our inspirations to write this paper, also became Amazon Japan’s best seller in the category of humanist philosophy. This is, again, another tremendous happiness for me.

Eventually, it is a double happiness.

Such a wonderful last month of the year!

References

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