Dear CALA members:

The CALA International Relations Committee is pleased to call presenters for a new event in the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series: Seminar in Shanxi University, Taiyuan, Shanxi province, China, May 24-26, 2010. Besides three days of the seminar, there will be additional two or three days for visiting local institutions.

The theme of this seminar will focus on the current concerned issue in academic libraries.

The sponsors for this coming event are: Shanxi University and the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA).

According to the agreement with Shanxi University, CALA is sending a team of five experienced speakers.

Qualification of speakers:
• An ALA-accredited MLS degree or its equivalent is required;
• Must be a CALA member;
• Must have at least 6 years of post MLS professional working experience in a field of library services in the U.S. and presentation skills;
• Must have experience in choosing presentation topics and be responsible for the quality of the assigned training topics;
• Must agree to prepare and deliver quality PowerPoint presentations in Chinese and English;
• Must be willing to work with the team and to follow the direction of the team leader;
• Must be responsible for his/her own international travel expenses.

Benefit:
• Speaker may bring one relative traveling to Shanxi together;
• Speakers and their relative will have their travel expenses in China covered by Shanxi University, including lodging, meal and local transportation during the seminar period;
• Speakers will be responsible for their international travel and receive ¥3,000 honorarium from Shanxi University;
• Opportunity on presenting and exchanging ideas with other librarians and visiting local libraries.

To apply:

Please use the attached application form to apply. Application should be sent to both CALA International Relations Committee (co-chairs) Guoqing Li (li.272@osu.edu) and Qi Chen (qchen@argosy.edu)

The deadline for application is December 15, 2009 (??). The selection results will be announced on end of January, 2010(??).

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