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Greetings
Message from the CALA President
Qi Chen

Dear CALA members,
A bright spring greeting to all!
Time flies. It is hard to believe that it has been almost a year since I took office in June 2016. Every time when I was preparing my president report to the board, I asked myself, if I had done enough for our members and if our programs and practices benefit our members. My goal of the year was to embrace our vision and engage our members to thrive through Member engagement.

Member engagement is accomplished through committee work, chapter responsibilities, leadership training, seminar and conference presentations/trainings among many others. Committees are one of the crucial venues that our members are able to explore their potentials and develop needed skill sets. This year, we have had a number of committees which performed exemplarily and showed excellent team work. These include membership committee, awards committee, travel grant committee, web committee, assessment and evaluation, mentorship, and more. The CALA Academic Resources & Repository System (CALASYS) team has worked with ALA Emerging Leaders on the CALA’s repository. Our social media team has been extremely active in communicating with members via WeChat and Facebook and the Newsletter team has produced professional quality newsletters with rich colors.

Internet + Information Services: CALA 2017 Annual Program

You are all welcomed to attend CALA 2017 Annual Program on June 25, Sunday, 1:00pm-2:30pm, Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel - Pacific Ballroom.

The program committee invites library leaders and information science scholars to speak about the Internet technology driven library and information service. The panel includes:

Dr. Brad Eden, Dean of Valparaiso University Library
Dr. Hao-Ren Ke, University Librarian of National Taiwan Normal University
Dr. Li Wang, Assistant Professor, National Sciences Library, Chinese Academy of Sciences

Mr. John Wang, Associate University Librarian of University of Notre Dame
Mr. Foster Zhang, University Librarian of the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen.

Please find the flyer for details (Pages 16-17). Please also distribute the information widely to your colleagues and communities. I look forward to seeing you at the program.

Regards,
Le Yang
CALA Vice-President

Farewell Message from Sai Deng

It has been over eight and half years since I first started to work for the CALA Newsletter. I have been fortunate to get to know many of you through this venue and I consider myself privileged to have read your news, achievements and activities and turn them into fine publications (http://www.cala-web.org/newsletter). I'm grateful for all the compliments, encouragements and recommendations that I have received over the years, and am thankful to my Co-Editors. While CALA Newsletter still holds dear to my heart, I feel my time with it is almost like an era, I shall call it the "News Magazine Era,” and it is time for some changes. (Continue on page 7)
and content. These committees have highly contributed to the unity of our members and CALA.

Member engagement also showed in the number of applicants responding to the calls issued by our International Relations Committee (IRC). This year, the IRC has called for three presentation opportunities: Shanghai Pudong Public Library, Beijing Normal University (BALIS) Training Session and Yunnan 21st Century Seminar Series. Our involvement at the international level promotes our members and their careers, expands CALA’s image and supports our counterparts in China. A big thank you to our IR Committee.

Other professional development activities that have engaged our members are the leadership training sessions organized by our Professional and Leadership Development Task Force (PLDTF). At the 2016 Annual Conference, Ms. Maureen Sullivan conducted a whole day leadership training, many CALA members joined her to share their experiences. From last August to this May, the Task Force organized five successive online leadership talks. Ms. Maureen Sullivan will again host another in person training in the morning of June 26th this year. Please plan to join us.

Our increasing membership is another proof of our member engagement effort. This year, membership committee has been working diligently to retain our members and recruit new members. For the first time in history, our membership has gone above 700. This year, we added 124 new members. Thank you and congratulation to our membership committee led by Ying Zhang and Le Yang. Member engagement also reflects in the warmth and caring of our members. This year, our members have paid several visits to Dr. Li and his wife Dr. Dorothy Li, including a celebration of Dr. Li’s 90th birthday both here in Chicago and Taiwan. Dr. Li is one of the founders of CALA who started this organization more than 40 years ago. For all of these years, both Dr. Li and Dr. Dorothy Li have never stopped supporting CALA. Not only had they served on many committees but also been advisors and mentors for our officers. Dr. Li has a Scholarship Fund for Chinese students in Library and Information Science and also a scholarship for CALA student members. This year, Dr. Li contributed another $1000 to his Student Membership Fund. Because of this, 28 new students have joined CALA. A heartfelt thanks and appreciation to Dr. Li and Dr. Dorothy Li; your contribution to CALA is beyond words.

CALA Chapters are the vital platforms for our members. Chapter leadership plays a critical role involving our members to take part in various activities and programs. I have attended a number of Chapter programs and am amazed by the organization, leadership and professionalism of our Chapter presidents and their leadership team. Recently, at a one day program of the Midwest Chapter Annual program, seven members presented. Though each only had a few minutes, the depth and current-ness of the content attracted the attendees. Besides the MW Chapter, the Mid-Atlantic, SE and SW Chapters all have done great jobs.
At the national level, both Lian and I are serving on JCLC 2018 Steering Committee. Fu Zhuo is the CALA representative to the ALA new membership round table. Serving on ALA committees and a previous CALA president, Dora Ho is the Incoming President of APALA, and Treasurer of JCLC. We also have many other members who are serving on committees of ALA, ACRL, LITA, etc.

CALA representatives to international organizations have also played an important role keeping members up-to-date in various areas. Clara Chu and Shali Zhang, CALA’s IFLA liaison have kept us abreast with activities in IFLA. Michael Huang constructed an academic session for CALA members at the Library Society of China Annual Conference, leading to a successful presentation of the CALA team. We are continuing to provide financial support for our members to attend IFLA conference. There are also members who have participated in several other international events.

Members are our core. This year’s member engagement also shows in the president budget approved by the Board in which there is a continuous financial support of members and Chapter presidents for their conference travel. I will recommend this to be continued in the 2017-2018 president budget.

CALA leadership team understands the importance of CALA image both internal and externally. The Executive Committee (EC) intends to set a good example for all officers. We keep our practices transparent, communicating with the board and members and welcoming all suggestions for the good of our members and organization.

EC has been working hard to keep CALA in good standing with the registered State and the Federal agencies. EC and the Board also had several meetings both in person and online to discuss various issues and proposed revisions of CALA mission statement and policies of needed areas. EC has also looked into CALA’s financial status to recommend investment choices to retain a balanced and healthy financial status.

EC has also looked into procedures to ensure standard and ethical practices of all of our officers. Being a non-profit organization with unpaid staff, we join CALA because we want to establish a place that we all enjoy and can grow and we put our members first. Any practices found unethical or against our constitution will be stopped, investigated, corrected and written into handbook and bylaw to follow.

Right now, EC and the Board are busy preparing our annual conference, programs, banquet and reviewing and approving all nominated recipients for grants, awards, scholarships and watching the results of our annual election.

I believe and hope that you will agree that we have had a great year, a busy but delightful and fruitful year. I look forward to seeing you in Chicago at our annual program, social gathering, board meeting and our award banquet!

Thank you for all you do and your support!

Qi Chen
CalA President, 2016-2017
Make It Colorful, Readable and Rich
The "News Magazine Era" of the CALA Newsletter

Sai Deng

(Continued from page 1 "Farewell Message from Sai Deng")

I first started to get involved in the CALA Newsletter in 2008. That was when Shuyong Jiang, the then CALA Newsletter Editor, invited me to help Professor Priscilla Yu on the Newsletter at the ALA Annual. I gladly accepted it thus started my six and half year collaboration with Priscilla for the Newsletter. Priscilla was retired then and I felt like she was my mentor and I could sense diligence, persistence and affection towards work in her. She expanded on the coverage of the newsletter, and it included columns like: greetings, announcements, new appointments, promotions and awards, publications, visits, awards, member news and organizational reports. She would send out the calls, lead on content compilation and review, and I would add additional news and reports, assist in reviewing and lay the content out. Occasionally, she would include a library visit of her own or an interview of a library leader, and I would add a piece of news or my own scholarship. We tried to make the Newsletter rich in content and colorful and appealing in appearance. It often included over thirty, forty or more pages, just like a magazine. We've received many compliments on its content and design over the years.

Since she was retired, sometimes in replying to her calls on revising the newsletter, I would hear that she was on her way to the market place, visiting her children or preparing for traveling abroad. After discussing the "official business", I would always remind her to "enjoy the sunny California" or "have a great vacation." I have seen such dedication in other CALA pioneers and members too, especially during the process of compiling the CALA's 40th anniversary issue (A preview of it was published in the 2013 fall issue of the Newsletter).
After Priscilla's farewell in the spring of 2015, I acted as the Editor of the *Newsletter*. Xiaojie Duan was appointed by the CALA President Lian Ruan to be a Co-Editor in fall 2015. To make the *Newsletter* more interesting, I further added columns like Interviews, News Article, Library Stories and Photo Albums. Highlights were also added to the cover page. In the following issues, I conducted interviews of librarians, authors, library deans and emerging leaders, invited officers and members to write on important initiatives or topics such as membership, leadership, website, social media and publications. Xiaojie experimented with design and we reached a consensus: large pictures, big headings, bright colors echoing CALA's color theme such as red and golden yellow for a more contemporary look.

In replacing Microsoft Office Publisher, the new issues were created using the online print & digital publishing software Lucidpress. The *Newsletter* still grew in the direction of a "News Magazine", each issue containing 60 pages or more. In the fall of 2016 a five-member team (including newly added members Yingqi, Jian and Xiaoyu) was appointed by the CALA President Qi Chen to work on the *Newsletter* in hopes of making it more accessible to our members and the general public. Though it required more coordination among the team members, it gave more CALA members opportunities to be involved in the *Newsletter*. Two more "magazine-type" issues were created.

We have never stopped thinking whether the *Newsletter* can be shorter, faster and more current. While I'm leaving our dear *Newsletter* to future editorial members and CALA officers, I only have my most heartfelt wishes. I'm making my departure of the *Newsletter* in this Spring 2017 issue. It has a fair coverage of a variety of news and stories, ranging from exciting annual programs, interviews of emerging leaders, awards and publications to other organization and chapter activities. Many good years have passed, and there are many wonderful years yet to come… Viva the *Newsletter*!
Interview of ALA Emerging Leaders
Being Active, Embracing Differences and Promoting a Thriving Information Ecosystem: An Interview with Ray Pun

Interview by Sai Deng

Would you introduce yourself a little bit? How did you get involved in CALA?

Thanks for inviting me to share my EL experience! Currently I am the first year student success librarian focusing on first year information literacy, student engagement and assessment at Fresno State. Previously I've worked at NYU Shanghai and NYPL as a reference librarian. I've been involved in CALA since 2012, attending some of the CALA-NE Chapter events and CALA's national programs at ALA. I eventually got to serve on several committees including mentoring, fundraising and finance.

Which class of the ALA Emerging Leaders program were you in? What kind of projects did you work on as part of the program?

I was part of the 2014 class. Fortunately, I was sponsored by CALA to participate in this project where we had to design two oral history videos. I worked closely with Monnee Tong, another CALA member to interview the late Dr. Lois Mai Chan. It was a great experience to listen to her professional journey and work closely with Li Fu, Sai Deng and the late Lisa Zhao. The interview can be viewed at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZBWB2S3tqRs.
As an American born Chinese, do you feel there's a difference between ABC librarians and immigrated Chinese American librarians? What do you feel are the strengths and weaknesses of each group? How comfortable are you in dealing with each group?

That's an interesting question. I think there are differences and nuances within the ABC librarians group and immigrated Chinese American librarians group. Not all ABC librarians can speak Chinese - some can speak Mandarin, Cantonese, some can have mixed heritages, some were born and raised in the South or Midwest, very different from East/West coast experiences. As for immigrated Chinese American librarians, they can come from different provinces in China from Beijing to Chengdu to Anhui; some folks can also be from Hong Kong, Taiwan, Macau too. Those diverse experiences can make up the strength of CALA too. I would not look at pros/cons for each group but rather how these groups can contribute to the library profession and support their communities-at-large. My parents are from Hong Kong and I grew up speaking Cantonese while attending weekend Mandarin-classes in NYC. I never felt comfortable speaking Mandarin till I moved and lived in Shanghai from 2013-2015 where I had to use it every day, in and out of work. That experience eventually made me more comfortable - it's because I still speak Mandarin with a Cantonese accent but it's understandable, I think!

Are you involved in other caucuses (such as APALA) or international collaboration programs? If yes, how do you describe your experiences in these different organizations and programs?

I'm quite active in IFLA, APALA and REFORMA (Central Valley Chapter) - and trying to identify new opportunities for collaboration and resource-sharing in the LIS world. These experiences have strengthened my relationships with all kinds of librarians and I feel fortunate to find such strong advocates and passionate folks in our community. For IFLA, there's a lot of good work being done to promote information literacy, sustainable development and emerging technologies in a global context. I enjoy corresponding with colleagues from Sweden to Korea to South Africa about these issues and how to further advance our goals to promote and supporting a thriving information ecosystem. APALA has been uniquely important because it's a smaller group with a lot of energy and passionate to support the LIS community through dialogue, activism, and professional development. I've been recently involved in REFORMA too, in our local chapter in Central Valley so that's been a great experience for me to engage with our local community.
What do you enjoy doing for fun when you are away from work?

I'm at this point in my career where I know someone wherever I go. It's an eerie feeling but it's also a good one. I often travel, see friends and colleagues, and create new bridges and opportunities for our community. Recently, I've been invited to host a series of workshops for librarians at the American University of Central Asia in Kyrgyzstan. I am excited for this opportunity to share my skills and knowledge with this group. I will also be heading to Seoul on my way back to the U.S. from Central Asia. I'll be leading a workshop on LIS assessment and marketing for Korean librarians in the American Korean Center, part of the American Embassy/Consulate in Korea. I always find new opportunities to engage with our colleagues from wherever they are.

What message do you have for CALA or CALA members?

Always keep learning and supporting each other. Be an advocate for transformative experiences. There are a lot of things we know and don't know in the field. We have to be supportive, inclusive and receptive to new ideas, changes and innovations, especially as our field is changing rapidly. CALA is an important international library association and we need to continue thinking about creative ways to engage with new and seasoned members whether it is through professional development, collaborative learning or team projects. The members are the driving force of this organization, and we have members from China to Australia and need to think how to continue cultivating and build this community of members.
Would you introduce yourself a little bit? How did you get involved in CALA?

Currently, I am the Physical Sciences Librarian and Head, Emerging Technologies at the John Cotton Dana Library at Rutgers University – Newark. Previously, I was the Information Literacy, Outreach, and Technical Services Librarian at Felician College. One of my favorite responsibilities there was to organize history/heritage month celebrations. When I presented about this type of programming at a Joint Mini-Conference (of REFORMA’s Northeast Chapter, AILA, APALA, BCALA, and CALA) in NYC, a couple of CALA leaders introduced themselves to me and encouraged me to join. I did just that and began to get involved. I became a member of CALA’s Handbook of Officers Committee and its Awards Committee. During this time, I also successfully applied to be part of the ALA Emerging Leaders program and CALA kindly served as my sponsor. Soon thereafter, I was nominated for and elected to CALA’s Board of Directors.

Which class of the ALA Emerging Leaders program were you in? What kind of projects did you work on as part of the program?

I was a member of the 2011 Emerging Leaders program. My team’s project was to perform a feasibility study for a Webinar learning series. This was a project conceived by the ALA Learning Round Table. Our goals were to identify similar Webinar series in existence, come up with best practices for a Webinar learning series, determine potential issues, and provide recommendations to the Learning Round Table for designing and launching a Webinar learning series. A copy of our report is available at http://connect.ala.org/files/53401/learnrtwebinarseriesreport_pdf_19472.pdf.
What do you enjoy doing for fun when you are away from work?
Away from work, what I enjoy most is spending time with my family. I delight in watching my baby girl explore her world. I also like to travel and try new foods and restaurants. If I had more time, I’d do a lot more leisure reading.

How do you suggest CALA can be changed or improved?
CALA has quite a lot to offer its members. It is an organization that continuously strives to improve itself. If I had to come up with a suggestion, it would be for more online learning opportunities. For a variety of reasons, travelling to the ALA Annual Conference (where many CALA events take place) can be difficult for CALA members around the world, so virtual offerings – ones that are recorded and archived – would be greatly appreciated.

What message do you have for CALA or CALA members?
Although CALA members may span the world, it often feels more like a cozy organization. CALA is very welcoming of new members and encourages participation in its committees. If you’re looking for a chance to become an active member – and possibly a leader – in the library profession, it’s here. I’ll always appreciate the support and encouragement from my fellow CALA librarians. It’s helped me to feel more confident about seeking out leadership positions. Whether you’re a new or veteran members, I highly recommend taking full advantage of all that a CALA membership provides, from grants to attend conferences to networking opportunities at the local chapter level and/or (inter)national level.

Bonnie and her fellow inductees are being inducted into Sigma Beta Delta, an international honor society for business, management, and administration

Bonnie presents a poster at the VALE Assessment Fair

Bonnie and her fellow inductees are being inducted into Sigma Beta Delta, an international honor society for business, management, and administration

Bonnie and her co-authors won a 2017 NJLA Research Award. Pictured are her co-authors Krista White and Roberta Tipton (Minglu Wang was not present for the award presentation); Melissa Hoffman (on the right) presented them with the award

Bonnie in Portland

Bonnie wrote a recipe (Preparing for some sweet chemistry) in The Embedded Librarian’s Cookbook
Bridging Identities and Finding Common Causes
An Interview with Chris Kyauk

Interview by Sai Deng

Would you introduce yourself a little bit? How did you get involved in CALA?
I was a 2012 CALA sponsored Emerging Leader. I am currently an Information Systems Specialist for the Alameda County Library - in other words, I interface with library technology and try to improve it.

Which class of the ALA Emerging Leaders program were you in? What kind of projects did you work on as part of the program?
I was part of the 2012 Class of Emerging Leaders. I worked on the 40/40 Project - an effort to gather knowledge from 40 leaders in CALA.

As an American born Chinese, do you feel there's a difference between ABC librarians and immigrated Chinese American librarians? What do you feel are the strengths and weaknesses of each group? How comfortable are you in dealing with each group?
I think there is a fairly significant difference, one that is difficult to bridge. As an American Born Chinese librarian, I am trying to bridge several identities - myself as an American, myself as a Chinese American and myself as a librarian. I do find it easiest to network with American born Asian library staff, but that is not to say I am uncomfortable with immigrated librarians. I don’t think we should be trying to define particular strengths or weaknesses, but rather finding common causes to push for to further librarianship.

Are you involved in other caucuses (such as APALA) or international collaboration programs? If yes, how do you describe your experiences in these different organizations and programs?
I am involved with APALA and ALA Spectrum - both of them are great professional homes for me.

How do you suggest CALA can be changed or improved?
I would like to see an effort to collaborate with a core ALA department - thus allowing for a better continuum of effort while also helping our overworked ALA staff.
News
Announcements
Since the practice of research across disciplines has been significantly transformed by Internet technologies, the digital transformation of academic research and knowledge in the sciences, social sciences, and humanities will remain central to scholarship in the future. The Internet-driven revolution of information and knowledge distribution has placed the library and information services at the forefront of challenges of digital scholarship, however, it also grants great opportunities for academic and research libraries to transform the traditional missions at every stage of knowledge creation, dissemination, education, and use. At the ALA 2017 Annual Conference, CALA invites library leaders and information science scholars to share with us their practices and prospects that contribute to navigating the profession to the right track of “Internet + Information Services.”
Bradford Lee Eden is Dean of Library Services at Valparaiso University. He has a masters and Ph.D. degrees in musicology, as well as an MA in library science. His recent books include Middle-earth Minstrel: Essays on Music in Tolkien (McFarland, 2010); The Associate University Librarian Handbook: A Resource Guide (Scarecrow Press, 2012); Leadership in Academic Libraries: Connecting Theory to Practice (Scarecrow Press, 2014), The Hobbit and Tolkien’s Mythology: Essays on Revisions and Influences (McFarland, 2014), and the ten-volume series Creating the 21st-century academic library (Rowman & Littlefield, 2015-17). He recently served as president of the Library Publishing Coalition (LPC), and continues on their board of directors.

Dr. Hao-Ren Ke is a professor of Graduate Institute of Library and Information Studies and the university librarian at National Taiwan Normal University (NTNU). He is the President of Library Association of the Republic of China (Taiwan), and the former Presidents of Inter-library Cooperation Association (ILCA) and Chinese Association of Library and Information Science Education (CALISE). His main research interests include library performance measurement, digital library/archives, library and information system, information retrieval, and Web mining. By using his technical expertise, he devotes himself to helping academic and research libraries in Taiwan move toward digital libraries. Hao-Ren Ke received his B.S. degree in 1980 and Ph.D. degree in 1993, both in Computer and Information Science, from National Chiao Tung University, Taiwan, R.O.C.

Zheng (John) Wang is Associate University Librarian at the University of Notre Dame. John oversees three programs, Information Technology and Discovery Services, Resource Acquisitions and Delivery Services, and Digital Initiatives and Scholarship. John is a librarian and a technologist. He provides leadership and guidance and manages vision and strategies in the development and optimization of library core systems, and digital, technical, and delivery services. His professional aspiration is to seamlessly integrate library experience for users both at online and physical spaces. He published and lectured in the areas of web services, web systems, web analytics, and digital assets management.

Le Yang is the President Elect 17-18 of Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA). In addition to his dedicated services to CALA, he has also actively served on committees at IFLA, ALA, JCLC, and ACRIL. Yang holds a MLS and MA from the University of Rhode Island, and a BS from South China University of Technology. Yang’s research interests include digital librarianship, digital asset metadata, Internet discovery of digital resources, and web analytics. His research has been published in various scholarly journals and presented at national and international conferences. He has also served as editorial board member, guest editor, and reviewer for several journals in the profession of library and information science. In addition, he is actively engaged with and leading research grant activities.

Li Wang is an Assistant Professor at the National Science Library (NSL), Chinese Academy of Sciences. She conducts research at combination and innovation of information analysis, science and technology policy success in the new innovation ecosystem and patent operation in technology transfer. Her research mission is to offer efficient science and technology plans & strategies suggestion to researchers and policymakers. She wrote many information analysis reports, developed patent tracking system which provides the function of customization, tracking, cleaning and analysis of patent data of specific thematic areas, joint constructed Institutional Repository (IR), Chinese Academy of Science (CAS) which is the largest IR in China.

Foster Zhang is the University Librarian at The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen. Before joining CUHK Shenzhen, Zhang has over 30 years working experience at Shanghai Tech University, Johns Hopkins University, Stanford University, Peking University, Dialog and other organizations. Zhang undertaken lots projects, sponsored by Sirsi, eshibits, National Library of Singapore, National Library of China, Peking University, and Beijing Normal University Library. He has also conducted presentations and published articles in the professions of library and education technologies. Zhang holds a Bachelor Degree of Library Science from Peking University, a Master degree of Library and Information Sciences from Clarion University of Pennsylvania, and taken some doctoral course work in the area of Information Management from UC Berkeley.
Dear Members,

In a month or so, we will be having our biggest event of the year, the ALA/CALA Annual in Chicago. Please plan to attend our Annual Program and our Awards Banquet.

Our Annual Program with the Theme of Internet + Information Services invites experts to talk about new perspectives and practices across the disciplines in the application of new technology.

Presented by Brad Eden, Hao-Ren Ke, Li Wang, John Wang, Le Yang and Foster Zhang, the event takes place on Sunday, June 25th 1:00pm – 2:30 pm at Radisson Blue Aqua Hotel Pacific Ballroom. See attached for details.

Our Annual Awards Banquet will again honor members who have contributed significantly this year to our organization. Together with delicious food, we also have exciting entertainment throughout the evening. Please see the menu and also think of making a donation to CALA: we need your support!

There will also be a social gathering on Friday evening June 23rd from 5:00pm – 7:00pm at MingHin Cuisine (明轩). Please RSVP for this event.

Thank you.
Qi Chen, Ed.D. MLIS
President, CALA
Library Director, Calumet College of St. Joseph

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**Menu**

**Appetizer Platter**

**Chicken Cream Corn Soup**

**Seafood Bird Nest**

**Crispy Skin Chicken**

**Brained Vegetable with Black Mushrooms**

**Double Lobsters with Ginger and Scallions**

**Steamed Live Catch (Fish)**

**Deluxe Fried Rice**

**Pan Fried Soft Noodle**

**Dessert of Two Kinds**

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**CALA 2017 Awards Banquet**

**CALA Chinese American Librarians Association**

**Masters of Ceremony**

Qi Chen
Fu Zhuo

**Local Arrangement Committee**

Mingyan Li (Chair)  Jiaxun Wu (Chair)
Shuyang Jiang  Anna Ren

**Time**

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm, June 25, 2017

**Location**

New Furama Restaurant, 2828 S Wentworth,
Chicago, IL 60616
Tel: 312-225-6888
A Letter from the Membership Co-Chair

Fabulous CALA Members!

On behalf of the Membership Committee, I am happy to update you that as of April 7, 2017, there is a total of 704 active members which reaches the highest record, including 293 Life members, 118 regular members, 82 student members, 177 oversea members, 12 non-salaried members, 19 honorary members, 2 institutional members, and 1 affiliate member.

Special thanks go to Dr. Tze-Chung Li’s generous donation to Dr. Tze-Chung Li CALA Student Membership Scholarship Fund and the matching fund approved by the CALA Board of Directors that supports the recruitment of student members. The Chinese Librarians Scholarly Exchange Program at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign organized by Dr. Lian Ruan and the Membership Committee also made significant contributions to the successful membership recruitment. In addition, we would like to thank CALA members who have taken initiatives in helping us recruit members and promote CALA nationally and internationally.

We are going to issue a print directory to those members who submitted a request. The Directory includes a total of 812 members whose membership status is/was active between 2015 and 2017. The Directory contains a brief introduction of CALA, the constitution, bylaws, president roster (1973-2017), chapter information, committees, and CALA’s 2020 strategic plan. The Directory’s content was reviewed and approved by the CALA Executive Committee of the Board (2016-2017) before printing. We’d like to thank Hong Yao, Co-Chair of the Public Relations/Fund Raising Committee for her efforts in raising funds that has made it possible for the printing of this directory, and Jingjing Wu, Database Administrator and member of the Web Committee for compiling the membership list and designing the layout of the directory.

We are looking to develop CALA as a firm stage for your professional development, networking, communication and collaboration. We also hope that you will send us your suggestions and continue to promote CALA and recruit new members.

Thank you very much again for your kind support!

Respectfully,

Le Yang,

CALA Life Member

Co-Chair,

CALA Membership Committee (2016-2017)
Congratulations to Ms. Loida Garcia-Febo on Winning the ALA Presidency 2018-2019

April 13, 2017
Dear Colleagues,

Please join me in congratulating Ms. Loida Garcia-Febo to win the ALA Presidency 2018-2019!

Ms. Garcia-Febo joined CALA in 2007 and has been an active member since then. As the President of Information New Wave, an international organization seeking to enhance the education of minority groups in the USA and in developing countries, Loida has made great contributions to the field of library & information science, CALA, ALA and IFLA.

Loida, we are very proud of you and we look forward to hearing more and working with you in the years to come!

Thank you.

Qi Chen, Ed.D. MLIS
President, CALA

CALA Launches Intranet
Weiling Liu, CALA Webmaster (2016-2017)

CALA’s Intranet is an internal website for CALA members. It is accessible from CALA’s main website at http://cala-web.org (Intranet tab is at the right hand corner under the site banner.)

The purpose of this site is to provide resources that is limited to the members only. For example, the online Membership Directory. Below we list some benefits of using the Intranet:
1. Renew membership without rekeying contact information
2. Self-update contact information
3. Use the online Member Directory (can be searched by name, chapter or job category, etc.)

Login is required for accessing the Intranet. Login information is available after the account is setup by the Web Committee. Don’t want to remember another login? No problem, you just need to know which email you use to register for the membership. Instruction on how to login without remembering the password is available on the login page.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Web Committee at webteam@cala-web.org.
CALA Social Media Channels

Simple Instruction on How to Access the CALA Social Media Channels

Access to CALA's Facebook Page
First of all, if you don’t have a Facebook account, please create one:

https://www.facebook.com/help/345121355559712

If you do have one, please "Like" the CALA’s page so that you can get notifications on our postings: http://bit.ly/1pOfFT1 (full link: https://www.facebook.com/CALA-Chinese-American-Librarians-Association-281336511932864/) You can post to CALA’s Facebook as a guest.

Access to CALA’s YouTube Channel
Please subscribe to CALA’s YouTube Channel at:

https://www.youtube.com/user/CALACHannel

If you have a video to share, please let any of the CALA Social Media Group members know.

Access to CALA WeChat
If you don’t have a WeChat account, please download WeChat in your phone or desktop and create an account: http://www.wechat.com/en/. If you already have an account, please let any of the CALA Social Media Group members know. We will add you to the WeChat group. Additional members can also be invited to join the WeChat group by existing members.

Access to "CALA Members and Friends" Facebook Group
This is part of the CALA Facebook channel which is supplemental to its public page. It is designed for internal discussion. Through this channel, you can post, start discussions, invite people and connect with each other. You can join "CALA Members and Friends" in two ways:

1) Search for "CALA Members and Friends" in the Facebook search bar. Ask to join and one of the CALA Social Media Group members will accept your request.
2) Follow this URL: https://www.facebook.com/groups/423045741400053/ and ask to join and one of us will accept your request.

Access to CALA LinkedIn Group
Go to the newly created official LinkedIn page for CALA: https://www.linkedin.com/company/calalib, hit the "follow" button if interested. An invitation will be sent to you and you’ll be able to join the group.

Why different channels?

Some members have asked the difference among the various social networking channels. Here is the simple explanation: CALA listserv has been around for many years, and it has a mixture of formal and casual discussions; it’s only open to CALA members. CALA Facebook is created more as a public platform for information dissemination and sharing; it’s open to everyone and almost all postings are in English. To encourage more member participation in Facebook, we have just opened the "CALA Members and Friends" Facebook Private Group. The CALA LinkedIn Group is created to allow members to be associated via this professional networking group. CALA WeChat is created more as a community space for communication and rapport building, and it’s open to everyone who’s interested in the CALA community. Right now, it has many members from the US, the mainland China, Taiwan and other Chinese speaking countries and areas; it uses a mixture of Chinese and English in its discussions and postings.

General Guidelines for Posting

Be genuine and authentic and responsible for what you write.
Respect your audience in posting news, events, and other messages.
Exercise good judgement in making statements or comments and avoid bias and prejudice.
Understand the concept of community in sharing and receiving information and connect with others.
Understand copyright and fair use. Give credits to your news resources in sharing and forwarding information, such as those selected from the CALA Listserv. If sharing from other communities, you may need to get permissions sometimes.
Remember to protect confidential or proprietary information.

The CALA Social Media Group would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your participation and support!

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Call for Papers: CALA Occasional Paper Series (OPS), 2017 Fall Issue

Occasional Paper Series (OPS) is one of the official publications (ISSN 1941-2037) of the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA). It is an open access publication which provides an opportunity for authors to publish article(s) on a peer-reviewed, official, and professional platform. It is a professional opportunity for you to publish your essays and will benefit many fields in library and information science.

We now welcome submissions to the 2017 Fall issue of CALA OPS. Manuscripts can address any aspects of librarianship. It can be a paper delivered at a conference related to library and information science; a bibliography, index, guide, handbook, research manual, or directory; a report of a survey or study of interest to librarians of all types of libraries; a compilation of existing documents such as library policies or procedures; or a full-length research paper.

Manuscripts are usually between 3000-5000 words (English or Chinese) in length. Longer and shorter articles can also be accepted if considered to be relevant and of high quality. All manuscripts must be typed and double-spaced in 12-point Times New Roman font throughout. References, citations, and general style of manuscripts should follow the Publications Manual of the American Psychological Association, 6th edition. For detailed submission guidelines, please check the CALA website: http://cala-web.org/publications/ops-editorial-guidelines.

The deadline for submission to the 2017 Fall issue of CALA OPS is Friday, September 15, 2017. Late submissions will be considered for the following issues. Please submit your manuscript via the interface: http://www.cala-web.org/forms/ops-submission. Manuscripts submitted to CALA OPS should not have been published or be under consideration for publication elsewhere.

Previously published articles are available at http://cala-web.org/publications/ops.

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现CALA OPS 2017秋季刊面向广大学生学者公开征文。征文体裁和内容包括，但不限于如下：

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--索引、文献、目录、个人实践心得等；
--图书馆学政策、工作准则以及工作规程。


OPS 2017秋季刊截稿时间为2017年9月15日。请通过CALA网站投稿：http://www.cala-web.org/forms/ops-submission。截稿日之后收到的优秀征文将在2017秋季刊中发表。投稿至CALA OPS的征文必须是未在其它期刊或网站投稿过的原创性文稿。

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**CALA 21st Century Seminar in Beijing**

Dear CALA Colleagues,

The IRC committee has received 7 applications for the Beijing seminar to be held in coming September. After discussing with our partner and in the committee, three of them have been chosen:

Li Lili, Georgia Southern University

Topic:

"The Practice of American University Research Data Management" and "American University Library User Participatory Design Practice"

Yang Sharon Q., Rider University

Topic:

Managing Electronic vs. Print Resources - A Paradigm Shift in Library System Design and Bibliographic Control

Yu Jen-chien, UIUC

Topic:

Data-driven Decision-making Method and Practice in American University Libraries

We would like to thank all of our members who have been very supportive to the CALA 21st Century Seminar and wish our selected colleagues have a successful journey to Beijing!

Best regards,

CALA International Relations Committee

Jiang, Shuyong co-chair

Li, Guoqing co-chair

Grace Liu

Ying Shen

He, Jianye

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**3rd JCLC Conference Calls**

Dear CALA members,

Please sign in to volunteer your time and efforts to serve on JCLC 2018 committees!

The 3rd National Joint Conference of Librarians of Color (JCLC), will be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico on September 26-30, 2018. The Conference Steering Committee is calling for volunteers to serve on various committees to help prepare for the Conference. Please click on the Volunteer Form to choose and indicate the Committees you want to serve.

To find out more about the Conference, please go to http://www.jclcinc.org/conference/2018/. We need your help! Your time, efforts and wisdom are crucial in making the 3rd JCLC Conference a successful one.

Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you.

Qi Chen, MLIS, Ed.D

Library Director
IFLA World Library and Information Congress in Kuala Lumpur, 24-30 August, 2018

On behalf of the National Committee we are pleased to invite you to the 84th IFLA World Library and Information Congress in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, details of which are as follows:

Venue: Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre, Malaysia
Theme: TRANSFORM LIBRARIES, TRANSFORM SOCIETIES

Key dates for those planning to attend the IFLA WLIC 2018 are as follows:

Start of Registration
1 October 2017

Start of Accommodation Booking
1 January 2018

Early Registration Fees Deadline
15 May 2018

Standard Registration Fees Deadline
22 August 2018

Onsite Registration
from 23 August 2018

Congress Dates
24 – 30 August 2018

First announcement is available at http://2018.ifla.org

We look forward to welcoming you to Malaysia in 2018.

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IFLA 2017

The IFLA 2017 World Library and Information Congress will be held on 19–25 August 2017 in Wroclaw, Poland. The conferees site is at: http://2017.ifla.org/.
News Article
Books for China Project 2016
John Ma

When the Books for China Project (B4C) was first created in late 2004, none of the five founders thought that it could last this long.

We were all old. And we had no support from any foundation or well-to-do individual. We had no idea how many people would give something for nothing. We wanted people to donate books. But we could not afford to give donors anything in return except our deep gratitude.

As a pleasant surprise to all, B4C lasts longer than anyone thought it could. Last year, 11 years after its founding, B4C sent a total of 25,000 volumes of books to China. Apart from the library of Xiamen University, fifteen universities have received our books.

The problem of shortage of Western-language books in China’s university libraries is serious. We must continue our effort in collecting more books for them. The world is fast changing and is getting smaller.

The Chinese people must keep on learning. China cannot be modernized without a well-educated people. The world cannot have peace and prosperity without a modern China.

We are very grateful to all donors of books. We are very grateful to all supporters. We are very grateful to all contributors. We are very grateful to all volunteers who work so hard without payment. The B4C could not exist without them.

As the old year has gone and the Spring Festival is coming, may I wish you A Very Merry Spring Festival and A Very Happy 2017!

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CALASYS and the 2017 ALA Emerging Leaders Program
Mingyan Li

CALA has set up its Academic Resources and Repositories System (CALASYS, http://ir.cala-web.org/) to collect, centrally store and provide access to the academic publications, materials and related information resources created and contributed by CALA members, Chinese-American Librarians and other related contributors for the library and information sciences/services (LIS) and Chinese-American related subject fields.

Currently, CALASYS is built upon Omeka, “a free, flexible, and open source web-publishing platform for the display of library, museum, archives, and scholarly collections and exhibitions.” This system is now managed by the CALASYS committee, a subcommittee of the CALA Publication Committee. It is an organizational database system of CALA.

Since the system's built up, we have constantly got help, support, and especially contributions from all CALA members and other interested academic professionals. These contributions include:

- Official / Formal Publications (e.g., journal articles, books, chapter of books)
- Research Data Set
- Theses and Dissertations
- Research Reports, Articles
- Audio/Video Publications
- Software, coding and scripts
- Web site and web pages design
- Educational / Instructional and Training Materials
- Gray Literature/Publication: Informal publications such as pre-publications and data, presentation slides, none-published research reports and experimental data set, technical documents or test data, courses and teaching related documents or data on LIS education, syllabus of courses, course and curriculum design, presentation files and videos / audio materials created by faculty (Chinese American Faculty on LIS and related fields) for LIS education and training of LIS.
- Other Scholarly Communication related materials and information related to Chinese-American librarianship and culture.
With current CALA president, Dr. Qi Chen and CALA EC’s support, our CALASYS system became one of the projects of 2017 ALA Emerging Leader Program. Four emerging leaders joined us since January. They are Minhao Jiang, Software Development Librarian from Wayne State University, Jingjing Wu, Web Librarian from Texas Tech University, Nitra Eastby, Evening Supervisor at Fintel Library at Roanoke College and Kate McNamara, Program Analyst from US Census Bureau.

On top of the existing member scholarly achievements, we also added two new categories “CALA Archives” and “CALA Chapter Collections” to collect and provide access to CALA internal documents and chapter conference presentations and other files.

Now the four emerging leaders are working closely with CALASYS committee members Sharon Yang (Co-Chair), Mingyan Li (Co-Chair), Sai Deng, Weiling Liu, Haiying Qian, to enhance the system. More data will be added this spring.

CALASYS is devoted to become a central academic resources system to provide academic information services and scholarly communications in LIS for CALA members, Chinese-American Librarians, Information Specialists and related Contributors; to be a central academic resources system to help, assist, enhance and guide CALA members and related academic professionals on studies for Chinese-American Librarianship related subject fields, education and professional development.

We appreciate any feedback, questions and suggestions!

*Project Guide Mingyan Li and CALA president Qi Chen met with the emerging leaders at ALA Midwinter, Atlanta, GA. From left to right: Kate, Mingyan, Jingjing, Nitra, Minhao and Qi*
CALA Social Media Survey: Analysis and Recommendation
The CALA Social Media Group

CALA held its first social media survey recently. The survey received 66 responses; among them 46 are finished and valid replies. The following analysis and recommendation are based on those 46 responses.

After carefully examining the survey results (please see details below), the CALA Social Media Group recommend the following on March 21, 2017:

- At this time the group suggests not adding additional social media channels, but do suggest experimenting with ways to get our members more involved in the social networking arena:
  1. Create a Facebook private group where everyone can post, start discussions, invite people and connect with each other. Facebook offers a more variety of ways in social networking compared to the traditional Listserv. The current Facebook page is more of a publicity platform for the association to post information, and it needs more member participation.
  2. Compare the current CALA WeChat and the potential WeChat public account (公众号), illustrate the advantage and disadvantage of both channels and call a discussion on these two platforms from the members.
  3. Investigate starting a LinkedIn group for CALA members to connect professionally.

- Encourage more members to participate in all social media channels and build stronger communities. Put more emphasis on sharing, communicating and collecting CALA members’ news and ideas via social media channels besides disseminating and posting news. At the same time, keep developing, compiling or forwarding useful information, communicating with and engaging our members and users.

- Write simple instructions on how to use CALA’s social media channels. Continue promoting Facebook and improving its posting and user participation; keep the current CALA WeChat and YouTube active. Strategically promote all of them viaCALA Listserv, Newsletter, conferences and the social media channels themselves.

- Continue to develop content in various categories and try to keep a balance among them. Meanwhile, keep focusing on CALA news, chapter news and CALA member news but include libraries’ news in China and Chinese speaking countries, news related to the library community, ALA, IFLA and caucus news and news related to the Chinese community.

- Use English as the official language for all the social media channels. Due to WeChat's special focus on bridging the US and Chinese communities, a mixture of English and Chinese will still be the norm. However, WeChat users are encouraged to post more often in English.
The participation in the CALA's social media channels is still relatively low. The percentage of the participants who chose "No [haven't used]" is higher than the percentage of those who chose "yes" for all channels. The rest are "Not sure" or "No answer."

Most spent Less than half an hour (43.48%) looking at CALA’s social networking channels every week, 13.04% spent Half an hour to 3 hours, 6.52% spent 3 to 6 hours, and 2.17% spent More than 6 hours.

In terms of the participants' opinion on whether CALA's social media channels are useful, about twenty to forty percent of the participants selected "Very Useful" or "Useful" for each channel.

Participants' feedback on possible social media practices:

As for "which types of posts do you enjoy seeing the most," the individual rank is: News (23.91%), Chats and discussions (10.87%), Photos and albums (4.35%), Videos (2.17%). Most participant chose All of them (41.30%). 17.39% bypassed the question.

About fifteen to thirty percent of participants have responded positive to the question "have you found a sense of community in CALA's [three] social media channels." About half of the participants bypassed the question.
In terms of "how can the social networking channels be improved," half or close to half of the participants chose: Share news from the wider library and education community, as well as the society (50%), Share CALA members’ postings (43.48%). Also 43.48% selected "Focus on the existing three channels," only 10.87% chose "Add more social media channels."

For the future possibility of additional channels, 45.65% selected CALA WeChat 公众号, 13.04% chose Twitter. 21.74% chose None.

As for languages used for posting, for CALA Facebook: The majority of the participants (69.57%) chose Mainly English, 2.17% chose English only. For CALA WeChat: The percentage of the participants who chose Mainly English (39.13%) is higher than the percentage that chose Mainly Chinese (23.91%). 2.17% selected English only.

For content categories, the majority selected: CALA news, chapter news (82.61%), CALA member news (73.91%), Libraries’ news in China and Chinese speaking countries (69.57%), News related to the library community (69.57%), ALA, IFLA and caucus news (60.87%), News related to the Chinese community (58.70%). One comment said "Find the niche."

The majority of the participants indicated a likelihood to share their own opinions about books, librarianship etc. on CALA’s social networking channels: Slightly likely (30.43%), Very likely (23.91%), Moderately likely (19.57%), Extremely likely (4.35%).

For additional feedback, three participants expressed appreciation and interest. Three expressed concern of little time and too much information. One indicated that "I have very little understanding of who is using or participating in CALA social media channels." One commented that "WeChat is more like a friend and family based communication," while Facebook "sometimes promote sentiment that I tried to avoid sharing with colleagues and professional networks." Another one also commented WeChat "bridges between US and China," also indicated that he/she is "not a big user of social media" except emails and asks CALA not to drop emails. One commented that "CALA Facebook needs more member participation," and one expressed interest in scholarship information for developing countries to attend CALA conferences.

The CALA Social Media Group's members include: Sai Deng (Chair), Anlin Yang, Chenwei Zhao and Melody Leung. We would like to thank everyone who participated in the survey and are looking forward to working with all the members and friends of CALA!
Publications
Chinese Studies Scholar Guoqing Li's Works


Professor Li also published three articles:


John Drobnicki Published Articles in Two Encyclopedias

John Drobnicki (York College/CUNY) contributed articles to two new encyclopedias. He wrote the entry on labor leader James Petrillo in Eric Martone (ed.), *Italian Americans: The History and Culture of a People* (ABC-CLIO, 2017). He also contributed to the entry on composer Katherine Kennicott Davisin Peg A. Lamphier and Rosanne Welch (eds.), *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia* (ABC-CLIO, 2017).

*Book covers are from Amazon.com*
Meia Geddes -- *Love Letters to the World*


Some praise for the book includes:
"We love the book. Love it."
~ Brookline Booksmith's Paul Theriault

"Meia Geddes' poems are lyrical, rhythmic, and gentle whether the subject is love, adoption, or a meditation on a box of little Chinese clothes discovered in a closet...Throughout the diversity of subject and perception, there is grace in Geddes' voice. Who is the 'dear world' with whom she corresponds? The reader can look between the words to find their resolution."
~ *Boston Literary Magazine*

Meia Geddes presents a love letter to the world and its beautiful, brave words without inhibitions, speaking to us with complete vulnerability. It's an intimate metamorphosis when the reader becomes the world and Geddes speaks to our souls."
~ Timothy Gager, author of *The Shutting Door* (Ibbetson Street Press)

"In this work, those essentially human qualities, thinking and feeling, are cast in such elusively supple and subtle language, at once clear and unpretentious, and yet nuanced and rich in refraction, that what appears translucently simple and immediately appropriable suddenly diffuses into shades of signification for which one is never quite prepared...It is refreshing to encounter a work of genuine intimacy—to say nothing of its humanity—that is challenging in its emotional honesty but which steers well clear of self-indulgent sentimentality, just as it is to encounter one that is intelligent, even wise, but remains unfettered by a labored intellectuality."
~ George Genovese, author of *Love Letters to the World* (Ginninderra Press)

Geddes was born in China, adopted and raised in Sacramento, and lives in Boston. Her novella, *The Little Queen*, is forthcoming this August 2017. Meia Geddes' website is www.meiageddes.com and she is on Twitter @meiageddes.
The Wonder of Encounters: A Collection of Short Stories
by Minglu Zeng (Author, Translator), Dajian Wang (Translator), Xiaoman Liu (Translator), Gary Chen (Translator)
Publisher: Dixie W Publishing Corporation
ISBN-10: 1683720172
This collection consists of fifteen fictional stories with diverse themes. It touches the topics of relationships, cross cultures, faith, fate, human and nature, the legend and power of Chinese culture and spirit. It also includes a small allegory story. These stories were mostly translated from Minglu Zeng’s original Chinese version. The book has started its journey of reaching out to the American readers.

Go! Go, Ladies!
by Feng Yu (Author)
Publisher: Dixie W Publishing Corporation
ISBN-10: 1683720377
The book is about several Chinese women come to the US with their own individual dreams and how they survive and struggle with their fates. This novel also covers social issues such as teenage angst, gangs, immigration, and gay marriage. This book won the award of "Chinese online Maodun Literature" Prize (第二届网络矛盾文学奖).

Selected Poems of the Chinese Diaspora
by Feng Yu (Editor)
Publisher: I wing press
This book is the collection of recent poems of 12 Chinese writers who live in the US. Each of them expresses themselves with music and rhythms about nature, people and life though different experiences and sensibilities. Absorbing nourishment from both West and East, their works are creative, colorful, and passionate.

The Analects of Confucius Revisited
by Yang Chaoming (Editor), Jianguo Chen (Author), Chungmin Tu (Author)
Publisher: Nishan Press
ISBN-10: 0997501308
Confucianism, as a social and ethical philosophy that informs and guides personal morality, social values, human relationships, statesmanship and principles of governance, has shaped Chinese culture for the past two and a half millennia. The Analects of Confucius, as the most significant work at the core of the Confucian cannon, is the key to understanding the essential thoughts of Confucius. The Analects, consisting of 20 chapters with a total of more than 15,000 characters, is unique in that it was written exclusively in the form of dialogue. This book revisits the Analects with a new translation, an informed annotation which aims for a careful historical analysis of the original text and a critical reading of each section in each chapter for readers that may not have previous knowledge of Confucian thought, in hopes of bringing a whole new level of meaning to the reading public.

(Book Information provided by Xiying Mi, Co-Chair of the 2016-2017 CALA Best Book Award Committee.)
The American Library Association Honors Haipeng Li with Equality Award

CHICAGO — Haipeng Li is the 2017 recipient of the American Library Association Equality Award. The annual award, $1,000 and a framed citation of achievement donated by Rowman & Littlefield Publishing Group, is given to an individual or group for outstanding contributions toward promoting equality in the library profession. Li is the university librarian at University of California, Merced. He has previously served as university librarian at Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU), associate director and acting head of access services at the John Cotton Dana Library at Rutgers University and as a reference librarian at Oberlin College in Ohio, University of Arizona and Arizona State University.

The jury noted that throughout his career, Li has championed equality within the profession, to library users and on a global level as well. In particular, it was impressed with his leadership in the area of equality, highlighted by his work as co-chair of the second National Joint Conference of Librarians of Color (JCLC), past president and executive director of the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) and in playing a leadership role in a variety of global initiatives, including the US-China library collaboration program, “Think Globally, Act Globally,” which was funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and the Ministry of Culture in China.

As nominator Molly Raphael noted, “...I have seen his engagement and passion for opening the world of libraries and librarianship to people from diverse backgrounds, through his “day jobs” as well as his activities at national and international professional activities. In addition, his research, writings, and presentations have focused frequently on equity, diversity, and inclusion.” Nominator Dr. Camila A. Alire states, “Where Haipeng has excelled has been in his contributions that have impacted individuals, not only in our profession, but also outside our profession. As a leader in CALA and in the JCLC [Joint Conference of Librarians of Color] conferences, he has been a role model for equality in the library profession by his hard work and influence within CALA which has impacted many young Chinese-American young librarians. It has been through each of these efforts that these librarian’s experience firsthand Haipeng’s efforts in promoting equality in our profession.”

Li’s award will be presented at the ALA Annual Conference in Chicago on June 25, 2017. Members of the 2017 Equality Award Jury are: Chair Neely Tang, off-site public services librarian, Cornell University; Andrew Jackson, past president, the Black Caucus of the American Library Association; Yolanda Ramus, chief deputy director, Los Angeles County Library; and Larry Williams, upper school librarian, Brooklyn Friends School; Shali Zhang, PhD, dean of libraries and professor, University of Montana.

University Librarian Haipeng Li Receives American Library Association’s Equality Award

The American Library Association (ALA) announced that UC Merced’s Haipeng Li is the recipient of its 2017 Equality Award.

The annual honor recognizes an individual or group for outstanding contributions in promoting equality in the library profession.

“Throughout his career, Mr. Li has championed equality within the profession, to library users and on a global level,” the 2017 Equality Award jury said.

The jury highlighted Li’s work as co-chair of the second National Joint Conference of Librarians of Color (JCLC) and his past presidency of the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA). Members also noted his leadership in global initiatives such as the U.S.-China library collaboration program, “Think Globally, Act Globally.”

A nominator said of Li: “I have seen his engagement and passion for opening the world of libraries and librarianship to people from diverse backgrounds, through his ‘day jobs’ as well as his activities at national and international professional activities. In addition, his research, writings and presentations have focused frequently on equity, diversity and inclusion.”

Li, whose tenure at UC Merced as university librarian began in June 2015, said he is honored to receive the ALA’s prestigious award. The ALA is the world’s largest library association.

“It is a real honor to be selected as the ALA’s 2017 Equality Award recipient, and I am grateful for the recognition,” Li said. “I am pleased to be in a position to make contributions around issues of diversity and equality, which are important to my profession but also to society at large. I find these issues to be of the utmost importance, especially here at UC Merced where we are one of the most diverse campuses in the nation.”

The Equality Award, a framed citation of achievement and $1,000, will be presented to Li in late June during the ALA’s annual conference in Chicago.

Yingqi Tang Received EBSCO Research Excellence Award

Yingqi Tang received 1st place in the EBSCO Research Excellence Award at Alabama Library Association Annual Convention held at Montgomery, in April 2017. The research project investigated undergraduate student information self-efficacy to find out how much students learned from library instruction classes, and determined whether information seeking skills can be developed with a library instruction class. This study extends the literature surrounding information literacy and library instruction. The findings suggest that information literacy instruction should go beyond the one-session, and that instruction should offer hands-on practices that will foster students’ critical thinking behavior. The full article will be published in a peer-reviewed journal.

Ms. Tang currently serves as a Distance Education/Electronic Resources Manager (Associate Professor) at the Jacksonville State University, Alabama. She is extremely passionate about research. Since 2009, she has published research articles in numerous peer-reviewed journals such as The Journal of Academic Librarianship, Collection Management, Educational Technology & Society, and Journal of Library & Information Services in Distance Learning. Ms. Tang’s research interests include digital library, information literacy, distance learning, and innovative learning technologies. Her co-authored publication entitled “Distance learners' self-efficacy and information literacy skills” was on the list of the most cited articles published in the Journal of Academic Librarianship since 2012 (https://www.journals.elsevier.com/the-journal-of-academic-librarianship/most-cited-articles). Ms. Tang serves on the editor board of the CALA Occasional Paper Series, and CALA At-Large Board of Directors (2015-2018). Additionally, Ms. Tang is a chair member of the Alabama Library Association membership committee.
2016-2017 CALA Conference Travel Grant Recipients

Dear CALA members:

CALA 2016-2017 Conference Travel Grant Committee is glad to announce the recipients of 2017 CALA Conference Travel Grants.

CALA 2017 Conference Travel Grant

The applicants who will each receive $500 are:
1. Hong Cheng (University of California, Los Angeles)
2. Liya Deng (Eastern Washington University)
3. Le Yang (Incoming President)
4. Guoqing Li (Ohio State University)
5. Jing Liu (University of British Columbia)
6. Ping Fu (Central Washington University)
7. Haiying Qian (Lincoln University)

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1. Jennifer Zhao (McGill University)
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3. Jingjing Wu (Texas Tech University)

Chapter President Travel Grant ($500 each):
1. Sai Deng (Southeast Chapter)
2. Raymond Wang (Great Mid-Atlantic Chapter)
3. Vincci Kwong (Midwest Chapter)
4. Wan Hailing (Northern California Chapter)

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1. Michael Huang (Stony Brook University)
2. Ruan Lian (Illinois Fire Service Institute)
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Congratulations to all the recipients!

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(Submitted by CALA Awards Committee)

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(Submitted by Sheila Suen Lai Research Grant Award Committee)
Conferences & Travels
CALA Members were Keynote Speakers at the 3rd
International Conference on Leadership and
Innovative Management in Academic Libraries in
the Age of New Technology, China

Michael Huang and Shali Zhang


Michael Huang, Coordinator, Office of Global Library Initiatives of Stony Brook University, spoke on "Transforming Stony Brook University Libraries into collaborative spaces." Xuemao Wang, Dean and University Librarian, University of Cincinnati Libraries delivered "Rethinking the library's role in the research ecosystem." Dr. Shali Zhang, Dean of Libraries and Professor, University of Montana gave a paper on "The research university libraries' organizational structures and workforce in a digital age'. The presenters' bios are available at http://ic.lib.tongji.edu.cn/subject2.html.
Over 100 librarians from China and four library leaders/experts from Germany participated in the very engaging event. The first and second conferences of this series were held at the Tongji University in 2012 and 2014 respectively.
Ping Fu's 2016 Trip to China

Ping Fu

Ping Fu, a CALA life member, attended a couple of conferences in China and visited several Chinese university libraries between October and November, 2016. Ping Fu currently works at the Central Washington University Library as a tenured library faculty member at full professor rank and his job title is Head of Library Technology Services.

Professor Fu attended the 2016 International Public Digital Culture Forum on October 17-19, 2016 in Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China. As an invited speaker by OCLC China, he presented “Aggregate Consortia Digital Content and Become a Digital Public Library of America (DPLA) Service Hub” at the conference.

As part of the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) delegation, Professor Fu attended the 2016 Chinese Library Annual Conference in Tongling, Anhui, China on October 25-28. He presented “The Next Generation ILS: Futures Core Journal of Library (LIS) and How to Choose the conference. Professor Dianzi University. He was invited to present and futures of the next library staff. His visit was celebration activities for the university. Invited by Aeronautics and Library,

Professor Ping Fu visited Chang’an University

Professor Fu attended the 2016 Chinese Library Annual Conference scheduled at NUAA library on Oct 24. The topics of the preconference was on the development of the Chinese university Library Science programs and the trends of academic libraries under the national plan of "Building World-Class Universities and Disciplines". Professor Fu also was invited as a visiting scholar at NUAA library to work at the library for about one month in November 2016. During the time, Professor Fu taught the first year graduate students a short course on library information technology. He was also invited to attend a series of events and academic exchange sessions with the NUAA librarians and staff on various topics from library administration and operations to specific library technologies and technical issues.

Invited by Guangxi University of Finance and Economics (GUF E), Professor Fu taught a four-hour research course to the GUF E graduate students including 15 international students from Africa on October 31, 2016. Professor Fu also visited the GUF E library and had conversations with librarians and staff on the topics of interest.

Professor Fu visited Shanxi Normal University and Chang’an University in Xi’an on November 11. He was invited to present a report on the trends of the next generation ILS to the two universities librarians and staff. Professor Fu interacted with librarians and staff and answered their questions during his one day short visit.
Chapter Highlights
Collaboration and Innovation in Library Practices
2017 CALA Midwest Chapter’s Annual Conference

Vinci Wong

2017 CALA Midwest Chapter Annual Conference was held at the Chinatown branch of Chicago Public Library on Friday, April 21, 2017. The conference theme for this year was “Collaboration and Innovation in Library Practices.” The conference adopted a hybrid format, both onsite and online, to facilitate member participation. A total of 22 CALA members joined the conference, including 8 library school students.

The conference featured the keynote speaker Clara Chu, who is the Director of the Mortenson Center for International Library Programs, and a Mortenson Distinguished Professor at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Dr. Chu publishes, presents, and consults internationally in English and Spanish, and currently serves on the editorial boards of Libri and Library Trends. Dr. Chu presented on how libraries can collaborate and contribute to social innovation, and how they can facilitate community engagement to support community cohesion and empowerment.

The breakout sessions covered a wide variety of topics in a variety of formats which includes presentations, lightning talks and poster session. For details of the presentations and handouts, visit http://midwest.chapters.cala-web.org/2017-cala-midwest-chapter-annual-conference/2017-cala-midwest-chapter-annual-conference-program/. The presentations were well received and the participants were engaged in active discussions and exchanged ideas on a wide variety of library topics.

Vinci Kwong, president of CALA Midwest Chapter, gave thanks to all presenters and attendees for joining us for the 2017 Midwest Chapter Annual Conference. It was a great opportunity for everyone to share ideas and network with each other. We appreciate the hospitality of our local host, Chinatown branch of the Chicago Public Library, for providing the meeting rooms and technical support. Special thanks to the hard work of the Professional Develop Committee! They worked year-long to develop the conference theme, invited keynote speaker, reviewed conference proposals, created conference program and marketed the conference to the CALA community. We also appreciate the support from the CALA Midwest Chapter Executive Board, which provided financial assistance to support library school students to attend the conference.
The 2017 CALA Midwest Chapter’s Annual Conference site

Conference attendees group photo

Keynote speaker Clara Chu and the Chapter President Vincci Wong
CALA Southeast Chapter held its spring program in Atlanta 12:30-5pm on January 20, 2017. The themes of the program were: "Sharing Your Professional Expertise and Your Library’s Collections," and "Visiting a Library, a Museum or a Cultural Institution in Atlanta." It included several talks, a tour and a digital map showcase of the Georgia State University (GSU)'s Collaborative University Research & Visualization Environment (CURVE), and a social dinner sponsored by CALA.

The main program was held in the GSU Library’s Downtown Atlanta Campus. A chapter member and our local host, Ximin Mi, demonstrated their newly installed virtual reality game facility in the GSU Library at the beginning of the program. The Chapter President Sai Deng opened the main program afterwards. Five speakers addressed a variety of topics relating to their expertise and work experiences in libraries and related fields. Tongyang (Sunny) Zhang from University of Alabama spoke on "Linked Data in the Library." Yue Li from Florida State University Libraries talked about his "Work with Faculty to Support Their Teaching and Research" for East Asian Studies. Ximin from GSU shared her effort in experimenting and exploring data services in academic libraries. Peng Mu from Samford University Library talked about cataloging games and toys with RDA. Sai Deng from University of Central Florida Libraries shared her reflection and experience in "Diving into the University Knowledge Community: Navigating the Expanded Role of the Metadata Librarian." Our special guest, Garry Guan, the Managing Editor of Chinese Cultural Relics, spoke on "Practical Usage of WorldCat for Research and Publications: Challenges of Cataloging Asian-Language Resources." The program also had members attending online. The participants enjoyed the richness of the topics and were quite engaged in the different talks.

The chapter members after the main program joined the tour and the Digital Map Projects Showcase presentations at GSU's CURVE. They were quite impressed by the collaboration space, its visualization facilities, and the innovative digital map projects conducted by the library in collaboration with their faculty members. Later joined by the CALA President Qi Chen, Vice-President Le Yang and Executive Director Lian Ruan, the chapter members went to the Golden House Chinese Restaurant for dinner. The Chapter's Vice-President Yue Li also invited members to his brother’s house for singing and socializing. The participants had a great time!
Tongyang (Sunny) Zhang, Yue Li, Ximin Mi, Peng Mu and Garry Guan presented at the CALA Southeast Chapter spring program. The program was coordinated by the Chapter's President Sai Deng.

The chapter members joined the Digital Map Projects Showcase presentations hosted by the GSU's Collaborative University Research & Visualization Environment. A social dinner sponsored by CALA followed afterwards.
Library Stories
Herstory: The Legal History of Chinese American Women

Chen Chang

The Asian Students at Rider (ASAR), Moore Library and the Office of Multicultural Affairs at the Rider University have worked together to celebrate this year’s Asian Pacific American Heritage Month with a special addition, which was the exhibit: Herstory: The Legal History of Chinese American Women. The exhibit showed a rare look at Chinese-American women’s history, told through legal cases fought in the Supreme Court of the U.S. and the supreme courts of its states. Using the personal collection of Dr. Chang Chiu (邱彰博士), Herstory features rare photographs and case descriptions of efforts by Chinese-American women to gain legal standing in the U.S. The opening of the exhibit at the Rider University was on April 6th at 11:30 am. This exhibit was displayed in the lobby of Moore Library through May 12. Everette Erlandson, Doris Tseng, and their team at the San Francisco Main Library helped edit and curate the Herstory poster exhibit. Sharon Yang at the Rider University gave her stamp of approval. Instruction and Outreach Librarian Joan Serpico implemented the exhibit.
Liana Zhou: A Girl With a Secret Library in Mao’s China Grows to Direct One of America’s Most Controversial Library Collections

Sally Tseng

Two Indiana University students Jennifer Huang and Steven Johnson worked with Professor Ellen Wu of Asian American Studies Program on their project “Middle Country: Stories of Chinese-American Hoosiers”, an online multimedia exhibit telling the stories of Chinese Americans across Indiana. Jenny and Steven interviewed Liana Zhou, Director of Library and Special Collections, Kinsey Institute, Indiana University, and created a podcast as their research product. They asked about Liana Zhou’s childhood experiences growing up in China and her lifelong work of challenging and deconstructing taboo. The podcast was presented to a group of students and faculty in April, 2017. The title of the podcast is “Everything is askable.” It is accessible at https://middlecountry.atavist.com/liana.

Liana was 2001/2002 CALA President, the recipient of the 2006 CALA Distinguished Services Award, 2008 ALA Equality Award, and other awards, honors and recognitions from prestigious institutions. Liana was a great fundraiser for CALA. She has also raised millions of dollars for the Kinsey Institute. She is a sought-after speaker and famed author.
International Collaboration
Sexuality, China and Indiana University: Celebrating Kinsey Institute's 70th Anniversary & China Remixed Program

Liana Zhou

The year 2017 marks the 70th anniversary for the Kinsey Institute of Indiana University, founded in 1947, by Indiana University's Professor and sex researcher, Alfred Charles Kinsey. It also marks China Remixed Program at IU, a themester- long of events and programs, celebrating Indiana University’s rich history of cultural engagement with China.

1) Kinsey, Institute for Sex Research and Indiana University

Alfred Charles Kinsey (1894-1956), a zoology professor at Indiana University’s Biology Department from 1920-1956, undertook an unprecedented, large-scale research on human sexuality. His work had a profound impact on social, culture and legal aspects of the contemporary American life. He came to IU in 1920 as a teaching faculty with a research focus on gall wasps. In 1938, while teaching a Marriage Course to the undergraduate students, he discovered “a gap in our knowledge” about the human sexuality. From 1938 to his death in 1956, he devoted himself to collecting and analyzing sexual behaviors of American men and women.

Dr. Kinsey and his research team interviewed and collected comprehensive sex histories from more than 18,000 individuals. Based on the interviews, he published two bestsellers, *Sexual Behavior in the Human Male* (1948) and *Sexual Behavior in the Human Female* (1953), also known as *Kinsey Reports*. These two milestone publications established Dr. Kinsey as the most influential sex researcher since Freud. When the Male volume appeared in 1948, it generated international controversy and acclaim. One of the significant findings of *Kinsey Reports* was the Heterosexual/Homosexual Scale, also known as "The Kinsey Scale", which describes an individual’s sexual orientation based on their experiences or response at a given time. The diversity in sexuality is a norm. In the Male volume, Kinsey states that, “It is a fundamental of taxonomy that nature rarely deals with discrete categories. ... The living world is a continuum in each and every one of its aspects.”

Dr. Kinsey’s research was considered the most important project funded by the Rockefeller Foundation, and received unwavering support from IU President Herman B Wells. Dr. Well’s defense of Kinsey’s pioneering research on sexuality helped establish Indiana University as an institution committed to the promotion, protection, and fearless defense of the principle of academic freedom.
In addition to his courageous pioneering research and scientific vigor, Dr. Kinsey’s legacy includes paving the way for sex researchers such as William Masters and Virginia Johnson. His work has a worldwide influence of the campaign to improve rights and equality for LGBTQ individuals and communities. In prescient recognition of the profound impact his research had on the social and cultural landscape of contemporary American society, Dr. Kinsey was featured on the cover of Time Magazine, August 24, 1953. In the accompanying article, Time praised “Dr. Kinsey...[who] has done for sex what Columbus did for geography.”

Dr. Kinsey’s work also reached his Chinese readers and inspired the Chinese sex researcher Dalin Liu to embark on his research of sexual behavior in modern China.

2) Dalin Liu & China Remixed Program

Dalin Liu is a retired professor of Sociology at Shanghai University, China. He served as Director of the Shanghai Sex Sociology Research Center. He is a pioneer sex researcher studying the sexual behavior of modern China, and a prolific scholar on the history of Chinese sexual cultures. From 1989 to 1990, Professor Liu planned and organized a nationwide survey on the sexual behavior and attitudes in China, resulting a millstone publication of Sexual Behavior in Modern China, first published in Chinese in 1992, and later published in English in 1997. Sexual Behavior in Modern China is a report based on a survey data of 20,000 participating Chinese men and women. It is the first nationwide survey of the sexual behavior in China. The media compared it with Dr. Alfred C. Kinsey’s studies of the sexual behaviors of American men and women in the 1930-50s, and called it “Chinese Kinsey Report.” Professor Liu and his colleague supervised 40 assistants and more than five hundred field workers, over a fifteen-month period and obtained more than 20,000, completed questionnaires from all parts of China: Northern and Southern, rural and urban. The published report caused a sensation not only in China, but also in Taiwan, Hong Kong and Singapore as it provided a first glimpse of a hidden and unknown aspect of life in China.

In his study, Professor Liu included data on the adolescent sexual physiological development, the extent and source of sexual knowledge, sexual attitudes and their changes, martial relationships, family planning, and sexual offenses, all contributing to the collective knowledge of Chinese sexual and social culture. In introducing his work, Professor Liu established the important ties between sexual matters and a stability of family and marriage, which was highly valued by the society in general, by citing Kinsey’s work in this regard. “Success or failure of a marriage usually depends upon a multiplicity of factors, of which the sexual are only a part. Nevertheless...where the sexual adjustments are poor, marriages are maintained with difficulty. (Kinsey, 563)
In its English edition of Liu’s national survey, a German sex researcher Erwin Haeberle, evaluated the significance of Professor Liu’s work. “It is Professor Liu’s unique contribution that he has begun to show us that, in matters of sex, his compatriots are very much like most other people, that they are -- not surprisingly -- part of the same human race with the same personal satisfactions and problems.” But more importantly, “By enabling the Chinese to learn something about themselves which they might not have realized, Professor Liu has opened the way to a multifaceted, inner-Chinese dialogue, in which the people themselves examine their values, hopes and aspirations for happiness.” (Kinsey, 13). Professor Liu has continued his pioneering journey in other areas such as preservation of and education about the Chinese sexual culture. He maintained the understanding of Chinese sexual behavior and cultures through the history, art, and objects. In 1997, Professor Liu opened China’s first sex museum in Shanghai. Currently, he has three museums in three provinces in China. He is a prolific author who has published hundreds of books and articles, including History of Erotica in China (2004) and World Sexual Cultures (2005). He believes that the best education and the self-discovery come from the knowledge and understanding of our collective past.

The China Remixed Program is organized by Indiana University’s Global Arts and Humanities Festival, aiming to support the global learning, international cultural exchange. This year, the China Remixed Program focused on the contemporary Chinese arts and culture in a global context. The Bloomington campus hosted numerous events, exhibitions, performances, screenings, and lectures. Associate Vice Provost and Professor of English Edward Comentale, working with Liana Zhou and others, extended an invitation to Professor Liu as part of the weekly lecture series. However, due to unexpected health problems, Professor Liu was not able to visit the Bloomington campus. Professor Comentale organized a teleconference to connect Professor Liu with the sex researchers from the Kinsey Institute and Indiana University. Professor Liu asked Liana Zhou to read his paper on his behalf on March 29, 2017. The presentation was entitled Chinese Sexual Culture from Past to Present. The evening program was very successful.
3) China Remixed Program & Student Research Projects

The China Remixed Program also provides funding to support advanced undergraduate research and creative activities for students working in the traditions, histories, and cultures of greater China. Funding goes toward semester-long projects that entail sustained research and/or creative activities and will result in a coherent final project of significant disciplinary value, whether in the form of an essay, exhibit, or performance.

For more information about the China Remixed Program, please visit webpage: https://artsandhumanities.indiana.edu/council-initiatives/china-remixed/, email Liana at: zhoul@indiana.edu, or call (812) 855-3060. Also visit Kinsey Institute's website www.kinseyinstitute.org.

Work Cited

Stony Brook University Libraries Sign MOU with Shanghai Normal University and Shandong University

Michael Huang

Stony Brook University Libraries signed the Library Cooperation Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Shanghai Normal University in Shanghai and Shandong University in Jinan, China last September. Recently, the official documents became effective after MOUs were signed by the presidents of each institution.

Michael Huang, Coordinator of the Office of Global Library Initiatives, Stony Brook University paid a visit to Dr. Mingang Liu, Director of Shanghai Normal University Library on September 18, 2016, and Ms. Jinxian Yang, Associate Director of Shandong University Library on September 23, 2016 to talk about the library cooperation.

The cooperative objectives of the universities involved are: to enhance the mutual understanding of each other’s economic, cultural, and social environment; to promote academic, research, and teaching activities; and to promote more extensive cooperation. In order to achieve the objectives, all sides agreed to implement the exchanges and cooperation in the following areas:

- Invite librarians from each side to participate in teaching, research, and professional development activities within their respective universities, and promote closer cooperation;
- Exchange librarians, and promote professional personnel training, librarian training, and establishment of a library science apprenticeship program;
- Establish joint research projects and joint participation in research, and organize lectures, discussions, short courses, as well as conferences for librarians; and
- Organize and hold international seminars with the participation of all sides whenever possible.

Since its inception in September 2014, the Office of Global Library Initiatives led by Michael Huang has worked closely with academic and clinical departments and the Office of Global Affairs to identify international initiatives, programs, and activities in order to focus the Library’s efforts to the areas that are most critical to SBU’s success; developed relationships with research libraries that support the global mission of Stony Brook University and initiated sustaining international collaborations; expanded the information exchange and visiting scholar programs; initiated and developed relationships with other research libraries abroad to allow SBU’s researchers and students access to research materials during extended stays in other countries.
Chinese Ceramic Artist in Residence 2017: PVCC Buxton Library Helps to Bridge Cultural Exchange

Lili Kang

Thanks to a grant from the Maricopa College District Office of International Education, master ceramist, Huang Xiaohong, was invited to be the artist in residence for Maricopa Colleges in February 2017. She hails from Jingdezhen, China, which is the capital where porcelain ceramics have been made for over 1,000 years and, more specifically, is famous for blue and white porcelain.

Born in JingDeZhen in 1967 and a graduate from the Fine Arts Department of the JingDeZhen Institute in 1995, Huang Xiaohong is a senior professor of arts and crafts, and a master artist and craftsman in JiangXi Province. She is the 2nd generation of porcelain masters in her family and continues a tradition of painting in the Qing Hua (Blue White) style of porcelain painting. Her father, Huang Majiu, is one of the most well-known Qing Hua artists in China and his works have been widely collected internationally. Xiaohong has studied under her father since childhood and mastered the craft while establishing her own style.

The goal for this Artist-in-Residence Project included:

- A better understanding on the part of Maricopa County Community College District (MCCCD) faculty, staff and students of the rich variety and high quality of Chinese ceramic arts;
- A greater opportunity by MCCCD faculty and students in creating their own ceramic artwork as a direct result of their interaction with the Chinese artist;
- A stronger connection made between MCCCD and Chinese Fine Arts Universities and Art academies; and
- An enhanced respect and appreciation of the breadth and depth of China's ceramic art's history and development.
Students in ceramics classes at Paradise Valley Community College (PVCC), Phoenix College (PC) and South Mountain Community College (SMCC) studied with Xiaohong for over two weeks. She gave a lecture in Mandarin (with professional interpreters) about the history of porcelain ceramics in Jingdezhen, and about her techniques for painting porcelain.

Then she demonstrated the unusual method of painting with cobalt oxide on dry, unfired porcelain tiles. She awed the students and faculty with her mastery of manipulating the paint and brush. Then she worked with every student as they attempted to paint a design on their own 15”x15” porcelain tile. Students were very pleased with what she shared with them and some commented at the end of the semester that they had enjoyed her workshop more than any other part of the course.

The tiles were glazed and fired with the finished work mounted and displayed in the Buxton Library at PVCC. This display included books regaling the history of Chinese ceramics as well as geographical and cultural titles. Additionally, this display was also featured on the library’s Instagram account.

The residency and workshops proved to be a huge success for the students who learned a new perspective on painting on ceramics, for the faculty who learned new techniques to share with future students, and for Xiaohong as she learned how eager American students are to gain knowledge of Chinese ceramic techniques.

Besides the residency program, Xiaohong has also interacted with the local ceramic art community in metro Phoenix, and participated at the “Flowing Beyond Heaven & Earth: Chinese 33 Artists” exhibit opening ceremony @ASU Ceramic Research Center on Feb. 23rd, where two of her art works were collected as part of the museum’s permanent collection. The exhibit was co-sponsored by Arizona State University, China Ceramic Industrial Association, and Paradise Valley Community College.
Faculty librarians, Lili Kang and Kande Mickelsen, along with the faculty and staff of the Buxton Library at PVCC played a pivotal role in collaborating with the college Fine Arts Department to make this experience a success – from the grant application, communicating with the artist, translating related materials, and housing the artist to exhibit installation. David Bradley, ceramic faculty, expressed the library's role best with, “I want to express my appreciation to all the help you have provided me for the successful planning and implementation of this lengthy and sometimes grueling project. It wouldn't have happened, much less have been so successful without Lili's hours spent responding to WeChat messages, and translating the back and forth between Xiao Ping and Garth, nor would it have been as successful without Kande's support, ideas and effort to making it all happen. Yay Buxton Library!”

To see more of this project visit The Artist in Residence Libguide.
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CALA Members and Friends at ALA MidWinter 2017

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