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University of Michigan Asia Library

Dr. Brian Vivier joined the Asia Library of the University of Michigan on November 16, 2009 as the Coordinator of Public and Information Services. In addition to his duties as the Asia Library's Public Services librarian, he is responsible for selecting Western- language publications in all formats on East Asia. His research interests focus on the economic and social history of pre-modern China.

Dr. Vivier previously worked Yale University where he was Special Projects Manager for the East Asia Library. He received his Ph.D. degree in Chinese History from Yale University and will soon receive his MLS from Southern Connecticut State University. Brian's office is located in Room 418A, Hatcher Graduate Library North, 913 S. University Avenue, Ann Arbor, MI 48109. He can be reached at 734 936-2353 and bvivier@umich.edu.

(From an Eastlib posting by Jidong Yang, University of Michigan)

University of Washington in Seattle East Asia Library

Ms. Saeko Suzuki has joined the East Asia Library at the University of Washington in Seattle as the Tateuchi Japanese Cataloger, a position funded by the Tateuchi Foundation, for a two-year retrospective conversion project that started January 1, 2010.

Ms. Suzuki received her MLS degree from Southern Connecticut State University and also holds a Graduate Diploma of Advanced Study in Information Studies focusing on Archives and Records Management from the University of Toronto. She received her first BA from Kokugakuin University (Tokyo, Japan) majoring in Japanese Religious Studies and a second BA from State University of New York Purchase College majoring in Art History.

Ms. Suzuki worked as a cataloger and reference librarian in the Japan Maritime Research Institute in Tokyo, Japan in the 1980s, and in different libraries and museums in the 1990s. She was the Japanese Rare Book Project librarian at Yale University 2003-2004. From 2004 to 2009 she worked remotely as a Database Content Analyst and Indexer with Greenwood Publishing Group in Westport, Connecticut, U.S.A., and as archivist for the Japanese Canadian Cultural Center in Toronto.

As the Tateuchi Japanese Cataloger, Ms. Suzuki will be responsible for cataloging the backlog collection of Japanese language materials in the East Asia Library. Saeko Suzuki can be reached at the East Asia Library by phone or email at: 206-543-6211; saekos@uw.edu.

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