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INSTITUTIONAL NEWS

NEW APPOINTMENTS

Dr. Martin Heijdra was appointed the Acting Director of the Princeton East Asian Library following the retirement of Dr. Tai-loi Ma. Dr. Heijdra arrived at Princeton in 1988 to take up the post of Chinese Bibliographer, and became the EAL's Head of Public Services as well in 1997. He has been active in Princeton University library-wide projects, including service on many working groups related to the introduction of technology.

Dr. Heijdra has many publications and presentations to his credit and is currently Treasurer of the Society for Ming Studies, Book Review Editor for the *Journal of East Asian Publishing and Society*, Advisory Group Member for the Bibliography of Asian Studies, and a member of the Board of Directors for the James P. Geiss Foundation.

Dr. Heijdra can be reached at (609) 258-5336 or at mheijdra@princeton.edu.

(From an Eastlib posting by Hyounghae Lee, Princeton University)

Haiqing Lin recently joined the C. V. Starr East Asian Library, U.C. Berkeley, as the head of Technical Services. He came to Berkeley from the University of Auckland, where he was head of the Asian Languages Collection and Chinese resources librarian. He received his MLIS from Victoria University of Wellington. Prior to that, he worked at the Johns Hopkins Nanking University Center for Chinese and American Studies as an IT systems librarian, a library systems administrator, and a cataloging librarian. Mr. Lin has twenty-five years of experience in a wide variety of library service areas, particularly technical services and has published articles on linked bibliographic data, metadata interoperability, and the semantic web as it relates to library services. He can be reached at (510) 643-0892 or by email at hlin@library.berkeley.edu

(From an Eastlib posting by Peter Zhou, University of California, Berkeley)

Haihui Zhang was appointed in June 2014 to be Head of the East Asian Library (EAL) at the University of Pittsburgh, where she has been Chinese Studies Librarian since 1998. From 1993 to 1998 Haihui worked for the Chinese Rare Books Project (CRBP) of the Research Libraries Group (RLG) in Princeton University. In 2008, Haihui initiated a nationwide collaborative project titled "Chinese Studies in North America" resulted in a book titled 《北美中国学：学术概述与文献资源 = Chinese Studies in North America: Research and Resource》 (Beijing: Zhonghua shuju, 2010) and *A Scholarly Review of Chinese Studies in North America* (Association for Asian Studies, 2013). She has been also actively involved in CEAL. As the Head of the East Asian Library Haihui will continue her responsibilities as Chinese Studies Librarian. Haihui can be reached by telephone at 4126245652 and by email at haihuiz@pitt.edu.

(From an Eastlib posting by Xiuying Zou, University of Pittsburgh)

Dr. Mari Nakahara, Japan Reference Librarian and Japan Reference Specialist in the Asian Division of the Library of Congress since 2007, transferred effective January 25, 2015 to be Curator of Architecture, Design and Engineering of LC's Prints & Photographs Division.

Dr. Nakahara holds a Ph.D. in Architectural History and Design from Tokyo Metropolitan University and an MLS from the Catholic University of America. Before coming to work at the Library of Congress she held a variety of positions related to her archival and architectural interests, to which she now returns.

Chinese Rare Book Librarians at universities of Washington and British Columbia

Professor Boyue Yao and Mr. Ya Min Wu, have joined the UW-UBC CLIR project, "Discovering Modern China, UW and UBC Chinese Collections," recipient of a 2014 CLIR grant to catalog the hidden Chinese collections at UW East Asia Library and UBC Asian Library. This is one of the first two CLIR grants awarded to two collaborative international institutions.

Mr. Boyue Yao, Professor and Chinese rare-book librarian of Beijing University Library in China for nearly thirty years, arrived at the East Asia Library of University of Washington on January 6th, 2015, for a 13-month appointment as the CLIR project librarian for Chinese rare books and cataloging. He will spend April and May at the UBC Library as a Chinese rare book consultant. Prof. Yao is a well-known rare book expert in China. He served as head of the rare book department of Beijing University Library for many years and also taught at Beijing University's School of Library and Information Science. Professor Yao has published numerous articles on Chinese rare books assessment and cataloging and several monographs about Chinese rare books and book history. His book *A Critical Biography of Huang Pilie* (Nanjing University Press, 1998) won several national awards in China. Prof. Yao graduated with a BA and MA both in library and information science from Beijing University.

Mr. Ya Min Wu has been appointed the CLIR Project-cataloging librarian for Chinese rare-books and classical materials held at the Asian Library of UBC effective December 1, 2014. During this one-year appointment, Mr. Wu will focus on authenticating, cataloging, classifying and providing subject access to Chinese print materials produced between the 14th century and the end of the Republican Period.

Mr. Wu began his career as a cataloger and later served as senior librarian and assistant director of Liaoning Provincial Library. He has worked with Chinese rare and ancient books and participated in several major cataloging projects such as the RLG Chinese Rare Books project and library system initiatives in China. Prior to this appointment, Mr. Wu worked as the Chinese Collections Support Assistant at the UBC Central Technical Services from March to November 2014. Mr. Wu holds a library degree from Beijing University and a graduate degree in Philosophy of Science and Technology from Northeastern University in China.

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(From an Eastlib posting by Zhijia Shen, University of Washington)