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NEW APPOINTMENTS

Xiuying Zou joined the Claremont Colleges Library as the Head of the Asian Library on July 1, 2016. Before coming to Claremont, Xiuying was East Asian Studies Librarian at the University of Pittsburgh from 2005 to 2016. In her tenure there, Xiuying specialized in Chinese and Korean collection development and research services, was the primary liaison to the Asian Studies Center and the Korean Program, and was involved with digitizing unique Asian Studies resources.

Xiuying holds an MA in English from Sichuan International Studies University, an MA in Political Science from the University of Pittsburgh, and an MLIS from the University of Pittsburgh. She has held numerous committee appointments on the Council on East Asian Libraries and in the Chinese American Librarians Association.

(From an Eastlib posting by Carrie March, Claremont Colleges Library)

Hana Kim was appointed Director of the East Asian Library, The University of Toronto effective April 1, 2016. Hana rejoined the University of Toronto Libraries from the University of British Columbia, where she was Head of their Asian Library, which houses collections in eleven major Asian languages. During her time there, she led a variety of projects, including a joint CLIR grant initiative, entitled “Hidden Collections Cataloguing of Rare Chinese Materials,” with the University of Washington, and the Puban Collection Digitization project with Sun Yat-Sen Library of Guangdong Province. She worked with faculty in the Department of Asian Studies and the wider community to develop events and programs such as a Lunar New Year Celebration and the UBC Library Centenary Anniversary. Her fundraising initiatives included the development of a “learning commons” renovation for the Asian Library. Hana worked at the University of Toronto as Korean Studies Librarian for many years with outstanding results and assumed the Acting Director role several times between 2012–2014.

(From an Eastlib posting by Julie Hannaford, University of Toronto Libraries)

Sachiko Iwabuchi was appointed the first full time Okinawan Studies Librarian in the Asia Collection Department at The University of Hawaii at Manoa Library effective August 15, 2016. Asia studies will now include China, Japan, Korea, Okinawa, South Asia, Southeast Asia, Philippines, and Northeast Russia.

Sachiko has three Master’s degrees: Master of Science in Library and Information Science from Drexel University; Master of Arts in History from University of Virginia; and a Master of Laws from the University of Hokkaido School of Law, as well as a Bachelor in Laws from Hokkaido University. Prior to her appointment at Hawaii she worked as a Library Assistant at C.V Starr East Asian Library, UC-Berkeley. Before working at UC Berkeley, she was Print Resources Coordinator at the Prange Collection at University of Maryland, and a Research Associate at the Center for Pacific and American Studies at the University of Tokyo. She was

also the coordinator of the University of Virginia Library Japanese Text Initiative Project, one of the first publicly accessible digital scholarly archives of classical Japanese literature, for six years.

Sachiko's office telephone number is 808-956-2311 and her email address is siwabuchi@hawaii.edu.

(From an Eastlib posting by Tokiko Y. Bazzell, University of Hawaii at Manoa Library)

Shirin Eshghi Furuzawa was appointed Head of the Asian Library at the University of British Columbia on July 4th, 2016. Shirin has worked at UBC as the Japanese Librarian since 2007 and served as Acting Head of Asian Library in 2013 and 2014. Prior to joining UBC, she worked as a librarian in Popular Reading and Multicultural Services at Vancouver Public Library.

Shirin received an MA in Asian Studies (Modern Japanese Literature) in 2013, and a Master in Library and Information Studies degree in 2005, both from UBC. She completed the Managing at UBC program in 2014 and is currently working towards her PhD at UBC in Asian Studies (Modern Japanese Literature). Shirin recently completed a study leave as a Visiting Research Student at the London School of Economics and Political Science and as a Visiting Fellow within the London Middle East Institute's Centre for Iranian Studies at the School of Oriental and African Studies. In January 2016 Shirin was seconded to a yearlong position in Scholarly Communications. In her new role, she will continue to assist with scholarly communications activities through December 2016.

Shirin Eshghi Furuzawa can be reached by telephone at 604-822-5905 and by email at shirin.eshghi@ubc.ca.

(From an Eastlib posting by Lea K. Starr, The University of British Columbia Library)

Lawrence Hamblin has been appointed to the position of Japanese Studies librarian at Emory University effective September 1, 2016. Lawrence received his BA from Amherst College in Massachusetts in Biology. He joined Emory Libraries in 2011 as an East Asian Studies library specialist. In this position he gained experience in collection management and participated in professional conferences and training workshops related to Japanese Studies, at the same continuing Japanese language study. In May, 2016, Lawrence was awarded his MLIS degree from Syracuse University.

Lawrence may be reached by email at Lawrence.p.hamblin@emory.edu and by telephone at 404-727-8026.

(From an Eastlib posting by Guo-hua Wang, Robert W. Woodruff Library, Emory University)

Dr. Wu Yang arrived in July to take up a two-year residency as ninth Librarian-in-Residence at Hesburgh Libraries of the University of Notre Dame. Dr. Yang completed his Ph.D. in modern Chinese history at the University of British Columbia and his MLIS at the University of Alberta. During his residency he will rotate among the branches of the Hesburgh Libraries and the Law Library and will participate in developing print, digital, and special collections in East Asian Studies and in providing reference and instruction services. Dr. Yang's email address is ywu11@nd.edu.

(From an Eastlib posting by Hye-jin Juhn, Hesburgh Library, University of Notre Dame)

Tianni Wang began a one-year appointment at the East Asian Library, University of Pittsburgh in August 2016. Tianni completed her Master in Library and Information Science at the University of Pittsburgh, and her bachelor degree in Library Science at Wuhan University in China. Tianni will provide reference and instruction services and participate in EAL projects. Her email address is tiw32@pitt.edu.

(From an Eastlib posting by Haihui Zhang, East Asian Library, University of Pittsburgh)

Jia Xu joined Yale University as Chinese Technical Services Librarian in September, 2016. Before coming to Yale she was the East Asian Catalog Librarian for fourteen years at the University of Iowa, where, in addition to cataloging Chinese material, she also cataloged Korean audio and video recordings as part of a special collections project. She has experience in authority control procedures and non-MARC metadata standards, metadata creation and authority control for digitized and archival materials.

Jia's professional activities include participation on several national committees, including the Committee on Cataloging: Asian & African Materials (ALCTS/ALA), where she is the East Asian Specialist. Jia is also a member of the Subcommittee on RDA of the Committee on Technical Processing of CEAL, where she is a member of the Geographic Name Study Group. Jia has also been a member of the PCC Standing Committee on Automation, and other PCC task groups.

Jia received her M.S. in Information and Library Science degree from Clarion University of Pennsylvania. She also has a B.A. in Library Science from Nanjing University and a B.S. in Plant Pathology from Nanjing University.

Jia Xu may be reached by email at: jia.xu@yale.edu.

(From an Eastlib posting by Michael Meng, Yale University Library)

Karen Yu has been appointed Head of East Asian Technical Services at the University of Chicago East Asian Collection, effective October 2016. Karen holds a B.S. degree from China University of Geosciences in Wuhan, China, and received her MS in Library and Information Science from Syracuse University.

Karen previously worked from 2004 to 2007 as an original cataloger in the Texas A & M University Libraries followed by nine years, from 2007 to the present, in the East Asian Library of the University of California at Berkeley. At the EAL, she was first Chinese Materials Cataloger, then East Asian Metadata Librarian, and most recently Chinese Cataloging Librarian. In addition to her extensive experience in cataloging materials in various formats including books, serials, maps, and audiovisual materials, she also helped implement outsourcing cataloging with various Chinese vendors, served as resource person on RDA implementation for the EAL at Berkeley, led the EAL's NACO participation, and was a CJK NACO Reviewer at the national level.

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(From an Eastlib posting by Yuan Zhou, East Asian Collection, The University of Chicago Library)