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The Revolution They Remember, a full-length documentary film, was released and is streaming on the website of University of Pittsburgh Library System https://culturalrevolution.pitt.edu/. This documentary film explores how the Chinese Cultural Revolution (1966–76) was experienced by ordinary people and how it is remembered today based on two video oral history projects. Initiated in 2015 by the East Asian Library of the University of Pittsburgh Library System, the CR/10 Project recorded, preserved, and published video interviews with Chinese citizens sharing their memories and impressions of China’s Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution. At Dartmouth College Library, the Down to the Countryside Movement Project includes interviews with former “Rusticated Youth,” young people who were relocated to China’s rural areas during the Cultural Revolution.

The Revolution They Remember features selections from the interviews from these two projects, as well as images contributed by interview participants, archival footage, and photos. The film also comprises commentary by scholars of modern Chinese history.

Support for The Revolution They Remember has been provided by the Henry Luce Foundation, University of Pittsburgh Library System, University Center for International Studies, and the China Council of the Asian Studies Center.

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Submitted by Haihui Zhang

Joan Wang, Chinese Studies/East Asian Librarian at Washington University in Saint Louis, was elected as Communications Co-Chair (2021–23) for the ALA Core Metadata Interest Group. The announcement is linked here.

Submitted by Joan Wang