Meetings and Conferences

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In October 1991, the Subcommittee on Japanese Materials wrote a grant proposal to the Japan Foundation for a workshop for Japanese studies librarians. The proposal was submitted through the Office of the USC/UCLA Joint East Asian Studies Center at the University of Southern California. The Subcommittee has received notification that the grant has been awarded.

The Subcommittee will conduct a two-day workshop prior to the Association for Asian Studies annual meeting in 1993 in Los Angeles. The purpose of the workshop is to provide basic skills and knowledge, and also to provide training for librarians dealing with Japanese publications. Specifically, the participants will gain knowledge of the Japanese publishing world and book trade, basic subject bibliographies, methods for selecting and acquiring materials, choosing adequate reference sources, and cataloging Japanese materials.

The workshop will be an occasion for librarians with common concerns and problems to study together. Subcommittee members and two librarians will be the workshop leaders. The details and applications for the workshop will be sent to libraries later on this year. (Mihoko Miki)