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MESSAGE FROM THE LIBRARIAN

With the beginning of the academic year the Libraries are again buzzing with activity and increased traffic flow. The opening of the new 2nd Floor Main Entrance of the Main Library on Monday, 20 June 2016 has provided cause to celebrate this milestone in our attempts to continue to improve the physical infrastructure of all of our library facilities. The new entrance integrates well with human traffic from University Street, the MTR, and the Centennial campus.

The new entrance also created the motivation for a number of other renovations and improvements. The Lending Services counter is now strategically positioned to better serve patrons even before they enter the Main Library. The electronic compact shelving system is being relocated to the Ground Floor (phase 1) and the 4th Floor (phase 2) of the Main Library to enable us to further transform the 2nd Floor into a dynamic service focused area with flexible learning spaces that will complement the new entrance.



The future of the Ground Floor entrance was discussed at the recent Library Committee Meeting (20 September, 2016) where it was agreed that the entrance and exit functions will be restored in the form of an ancillary entrance thus allowing a flow of traffic from the 2nd floor through to the Sun Yat Sen Square. This functionality will be enabled once the necessary equipment has been purchased and installed.

During the summer, the Dental Library also underwent renovations. Eighty new carrels with larger desk-top space, power sockets, and dual USB charging outlets (v2.0 and v3.0 compatible) have been added. The Dental Library will soon also be upgrading chairs, creating an open discussion area and upgrading existing AV and computer equipment.

A range of exhibitions, book talks and other events are planned for the coming months through our Libraries as we endeavour to contribute to the vibrant culture that is evident at HKU.

Peter E. Sidorko
University Librarian

MAIN
LIBRARY
大學圖書館

Welcome to the
New Main Library
Entrance



LENDING SERVICES

New services and facilities in association with the new entrance

As part of the new 2nd Floor Main Library Entrance, a number of new services and changes were introduced by Lending Services.

The Lending Services and Enquiries Counters have moved to the new main entrance on the 2nd floor. Patrons now have an immediate point of contact at the Enquiries Counter, even before they pass through the new access gates.

The new Self-Service Collection houses course reserves and books on hold; patrons can help themselves to materials and use the scanning, photocopying, or self-check facilities for quick and unmediated service.

To further empower patrons, the Library has introduced an automated book return system allowing patrons to return books any time of the day with immediate update to their borrowing records.



Enquiries Counter



Self-service Collection room and Lending Services Counter



Automated Book Return

A new Express Printing station has been placed outside the Self-Service Collection to allow patrons to print directly from their thumb drives without having to book a computer.

These two videos introduce our new Main Library entrance and facilities:

Introducing the new Main Library entrance:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J3ESbJl7JAg>

Introducing the new Main Library automated book return:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xtRRb3QqsS4>

LENDING SERVICES



Library patrons and visitors were invited to strike a pose from 17th August – 21st September 2016. The Library Photo Booth was set up at the beginning of the academic year to welcome new students and the university community to the Main Library's new main entrance. Participants were invited to share their photos on social media for a chance to win prizes.



Winner of the 1st round Lucky Draw



Winner of the 2nd round Lucky Draw



Dr. Y.C. Wan and Joanna Ko



Grand Prize winner, Joanna Ko



Improvement of Learning Spaces at the Main Library

The Main Library seized the window of opportunity this summer to carry out an unprecedented amount of improvement works for its learning spaces:

1. From June to July, the Old Wing was closed level by level for safe removal of asbestos contained in the adhesive of old carpet. To cope with the patron needs during service suspension of the affected collections, the HKALL quotas for academics and postgraduate students were temporarily increased with the kind assistance of our sister institutions.

2. A comprehensive relocation of public printers, photocopiers and dictionary stands, was arranged in August and early September with a view to optimizing facility usage and patron experience. Updated information of the above facilities can be found on the library webpages:

<http://lib.hku.hk/techsupport/photocopy.html>

and <http://lib.hku.hk/mainlib/floorplan.html>.

3. As part of the sequential renovation work at the Main Library, a relocation project of the compact storage on 2/F was undertaken to transform the floor into a welcoming and flexible learning space that blends in well with the new entrance. Phase I of the project, completed at the end of September, relocated most of the journals and shelving on 2/F to G/F. This phase involved a total of 15,287 linear metres of library materials. By January 2017, Phase II of the project will come to an end with the remaining compact shelves on 2/F re-assembled on 4/F for the Social Sciences collection. The Recent Addition collection and Po Chung's CEO and Personal Development collection have been relocated to the 2/F.

4. As space became available from the renovation and relocation projects, over 100 study carrels were set up on G/F and 2/F before the new 2016 – 2017 academic year as a transitional arrangement before the summer renovation in 2017.



6/F after removal of asbestos and installation of new carpet



6 printers are provided on Level 3 after initial facility review



Movers at work for 2/F compact shelves relocation

Review of Level 3 services and facilities

In mid-April 2016, the Library conducted an online survey for library patrons about the services and facilities of Level 3. This is the first review for this key learning space in the Main Library. A total of 213 responses were received and 10 students/alumni respondents were invited to attend focus group discussions in late April and May. Five focus groups comprising of Level 3 service staff were also organized in late May to solicit opinions of different perspectives.

A report with review results and recommendations for improvement is being compiled for submission to the library management in the new semester.

HKU Online Learning on Academic Honesty

Contributor: Antonia Yiu (Associate Librarian, Scholarly Communication and Information Services)

In collaboration with TELI (Technology-Enriched Learning Initiative of HKU), the Libraries launched an online course on Academic Honesty in September - <https://learning.hku.hk/>. The course is part of HKU's Information Literacy Training. Through this course, students will gain a better understanding of what constitutes plagiarism, how to cite sources using practical tools and how to check for originality with Turnitin. The course includes a number of videos complemented with formative quizzes.

Capitalizing on this online course, flipped classrooms are arranged for four Common Core Courses this year. Coordinating these sessions are three Faculty Librarians: Nancy Chan (Science and Engineering Faculties Librarian), Tina Yang (Social Sciences Faculty Librarian) and Diana Tsui (Art and Architecture Faculties Librarian).

This project has been made possible with the support of Professor Ricky Kwok, Associate Vice-President (Teaching and Learning). Orchestrating the project with efficiency and finesse is SPOC Project Manager, Ms Elizabeth Oh. Applause also goes to the highly motivated TELI team which delivered the videos of professional quality.

Concerted effort of library colleagues has also been instrumental to the success of this project. Serving either as talking heads or working behind the scenes are Peter Sidorko (Librarian), Irene Shieh (Law Librarian), Vivian So (Assistant Special Collections Librarian), Melissa Man (Assistant Librarian, Patron Experience), Yin-yee Kwan (Music Librarian), Kitman Chan (Business and Economics Librarian), Rebecca Tam (Assistant Information Services Librarian) and our Library Assistants, Ella Ma, Silvia Tam and Joey Tsang.

This project is funded by the Course Enhancement Fund under the UGC Teaching & Learning Project on Information Literacy, a joint project among the eight local academic libraries.

We hope the course materials will be adopted in other courses at HKU and elsewhere, instilling the importance of honesty in the pursuit of academic excellence. The videos are publicly available on Youtube -

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLXMxEuWsxUDgFQH2IAc4LkHVOeZXPJiw>

Along with this new online course and the flipped classrooms, orientations, workshops and customized courses go full throttle as usual since mid-August. For the latest schedule, please refer to <http://lib.hku.hk/general/instruction/index.html>. Faculty Librarians also offer subject-specialized courses. Simply contact them directly or fill out the e-form at https://lib.hku.hk/check_form/LIR-form.



Peter Sidorko (Librarian) talking about what is plagiarism in this video.

Poster Presentation Workshop

Contributor: Nancy Chan (Science and Engineering Faculties Librarian)

With the assistance of Graduate School and the Faculty of Science, eight STEM research postgraduates were recruited for the Poster Presentation Workshop held on 15 April 2016. Coach of the workshop is Dr. Ai Lin Chun, Senior Editor of Nature Nanotechnology. Through various enlightening and interesting activities, the participants gained a better grasp in delivering engaging poster presentations on their research findings. The young researchers found the workshop inspiring and enjoyable.



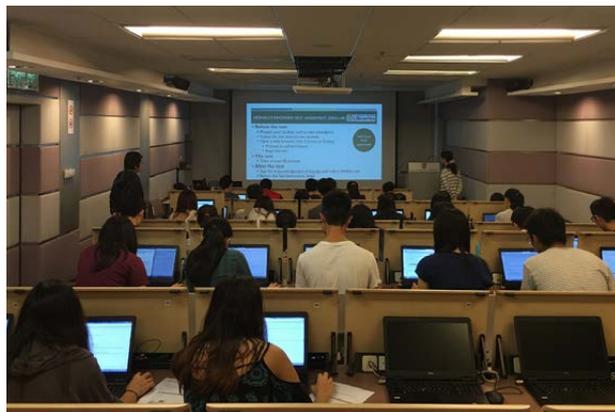
Dr. Ai Lin Chun (middle in the back row) and all the energized participants.

RRSA-HK at HKU Libraries

Contributor: Kitman Chan
(Business and Economics Faculty Librarian)

As part of JULAC Information Literacy Project, Research Readiness Self-Assessment (RRSA-HK) sessions are held in the Main Library and Medical Library in September.

The assessment is conducted across the eight UGC-funded institutions to identify students' information behaviour and specific Information Literacy (IL) educational needs. 200 HKU first-year undergraduate students from all faculties are recruited for seven RRSA-HK sessions. To show our appreciation, each participating student receives HK\$50 cash incentive after completion. Students will be invited to take the RRSA-HK post-test in March 2018. Data collected from the 1,600 students across the eight UGC-funded institutions will be analysed by the JULAC Information Literacy Project team.



Freshmen studiously taking the RRSA test in the eLearning Lab, Main Library.

RRSA is a validated online assessment tool, developed by Central Michigan University, and used by over fifty higher education institutions in the United States. RRSA-HK is a customized assessment for local information environment.

NEWS

At a recent meeting (April, 2016) at the OCLC* Headquarters in Dublin, Ohio, President and Chief Executive Officer, Skip Prichard, presented University Librarian, Peter Sidorko, with a President's Award in recognition of the significant contributions made to OCLC's WorldCat** by the University of Hong Kong Libraries. With the concerted efforts of our Cataloguing Librarians, HKU Libraries have contributed more original cataloguing records to WorldCat than any other library in the world in 7 of the past 12 years. An incredible feat of global library collaboration led by HKU.

- * "OCLC is a global library cooperative that provides shared technology services, original research and community programs for its membership and the library community at large" (<https://www.oclc.org/about.en.html>).
- ** "WorldCat is the world's largest network of library content and services" (<http://www.worldcat.org/whatis/>).



Chief Executive Officer, Skip Prichard and University Librarian, Peter Sidorko

Author's Talk: Strategies to improve citations and h-index

Contributor: Nancy Chan (Science and Engineering Faculties Librarian)

On 27 September 2016, Professor Nagendra Prasad Shah from the School of Biological Sciences delivered a talk on "Strategies to improve citations and h-index". The seminar, held in our Multi-purpose Zone (Level 3, Main Library), attracted over 160 researchers. The young researchers who attended the seminar gained much insight on scholarly publishing and research impact. Professor Shah is a Highly Cited Researcher in 2015 and 2016, and has earned a number of prestigious scholarly awards. Our sincere thanks to Professor Shah for his enlightening seminar.



A full house for Professor Nagendra Prasad Shah's seminar.



Dental Library

The Dental Library, located on the 5th and 6th floors of the Prince Philip Dental Hospital (PPDH), has proudly served the teaching, learning and research needs of the teaching staff and students of the Faculty of Dentistry for over 30 years since its inauguration in 1981.

The Dental Library endeavours to support the Faculty's vision "to be Asia's leading faculty of dentistry" and strives to be responsive to patron's information needs for teaching, learning, research and knowledge sharing relating to oral healthcare services.

Realizing that its decade-old furniture and facilities would not be able to fully satisfy patron's changing needs, the Dental Library took the initiative to create a more modern, comfortable and well-equipped learning environment.

The first phase of the renovations saw the installation of new carpets on both floors of the library in July 2016 to create a more pleasant and comfortable environment. Phase two involved the upgrading and re-configuring of furniture in August 2016. Eighty new carrels with larger desk-top space, power sockets, and dual USB charging outlets have been added to the carrels to cater to the variety of learning and research habits of the library's patrons who tend to make use of various devices to peruse a blend of print and digital resources.

More upgrades are in the pipeline. The current non-adjustable chairs will be replaced with ergonomic chairs which are better suited for prolonged reading or computer work. A small area for open discussion will be set up soon to encourage social and intellectual interactions. New AV and computer equipment will also replace the existing equipment.

Stay tuned for our next update on the new and improved facilities at the Dental Library.

Long Service Awards 2016

The Long Services Awards Presentation Ceremony was held on 6 June 2016 in the Loke Yew Hall, officiated by the President and Vice-Chancellor, Professor Peter Mathieson. Four library colleagues received awards for 15 years to 40 years of service. The University and the Libraries thank you and congratulate you on your wonderful years of service and commitment.



Mr Lee Sze Keung



Mr Leung Kai Wah



Miss Woo Mun Che



Miss Irene Fung



HKUL Farewell Party 2016

With happy and sad emotions, the Libraries held a Farewell Party on 24 June, 2016 in Hui Pun Hing Lecture Hall for our retiring colleagues. We were delighted to take the time to honour our retirees and thank them for devoting so many years of support and the growth of the Libraries. We wish Ms Betty Tam from Technical Services, Mr Joseph Yu from Lending Services and Mr Choi Ming Kit from Music Library all the best.

Congratulations on retirement!

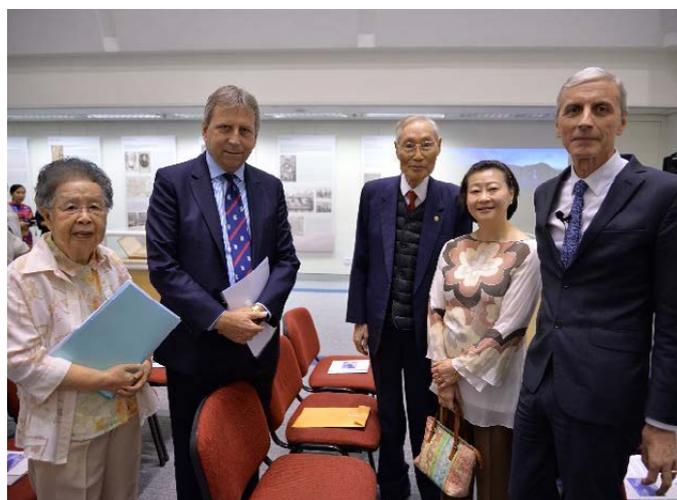
Grand Opening Ceremony for the New Second Floor Main Library Entrance

On 7 October 2016, the Library held a Grand Opening Ceremony for the New Second Floor Main Library Entrance.

The ceremony was attended by HKU President and Vice-Chancellor, Professor Mathieson, HKU colleagues from the Estates Office, architectural partners from Tam and Philip So Associates Limited, a number distinguished VIPs, and HKU and Library colleagues.



Grand Opening Audience



Dr Kan, Professor Mathieson, Dr and Mrs Tam Wah Ching, Mr Sidorko



Peter Sidorko, University Librarian, and President and Vice-Chancellor, Professor Peter Mathieson



Professor Andy Hor, Vice-President and Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research) Mr K.L. Tam, Director of Estates



HKU Libraries Begin Research Data Services

HKU now has several policies requiring that research data be ethically collected and stored, and that researchers (academic staff and research post-graduate students) use data management plans (DMP) to state how data will be collected, stored, described, and eventually deposited. A key emphasis of HKU's program is that replication datasets must be retained by the institution to maintain the integrity of any published research outcome.

The Libraries have been funded and charged to provide infrastructure in support of these policies. We will provide training, consultation, and a repository for HKU deposit. We have made web pages describing the HKU research data management (RDM) program, advice on best practice, and lists of resources available. <http://lib.hku.hk/researchdata/rds.htm>

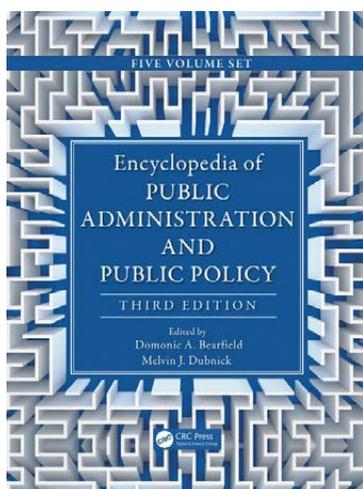
We have added data functionality to the HKU Scholars Hub, HKU's current research information system (CRIS), to accept deposit, assign DOI, display, and integrate with the other many research objects in the Hub, ie., scholar profiles, publications, grants, etc. We began by making records in the Hub for datasets authored by HKU people, but hosted remotely. In this way we can retain institutional memory of HKU datasets, give credit to our people, and show examples in our training. One record of dataset with files held locally in the Hub is, <http://hub.hku.hk/cris/dataset/dataset95133>

Researchers have the choice on deposit of making their datasets public, or restricted, to be accessed only by themselves. In this beginning period, we are only accepting datasets that can be made public, and will add functionality later for restricted ones. We will soon make general announcement on how HKU researchers can make deposit.

The web pages and data functionality of the Hub are still very new and will change in the weeks to come. For enquiries, please write to, researchdata@hku.hk.

NOTABLE ACQUISITIONS

April – August 2016



Encyclopedia of public administration and public policy
Edited by Domenic A. Bearfield, Melvin J. Dubnick
Boca Raton : CRC Press, Taylor & Francis Group, 3rd ed. [2016]

Call no.: 351.03 E5

Now in its third edition, Encyclopedia of Public Administration and Public Policy remains the definitive source for article-length presentations spanning the fields of public administration and public policy.

This revamped five-volume edition is a reconceptualization of the first edition by Jack Rabin. It incorporates over 225 new entries and over 100 revisions, including a range of contributions and updates from the renowned academic and practitioner leaders of today as well as the next generation of top scholars.



The dictionary of nineteenth-century British scientists
General editor, Bernard Lightman, consulting editors, John Brooke [and others]
Chicago : University of Chicago Press, 2004.

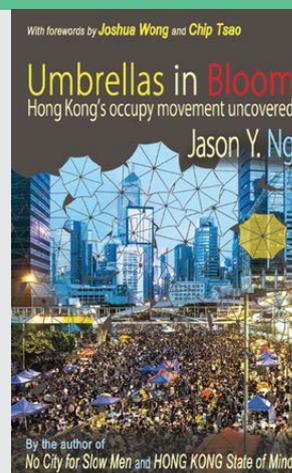
Call no.: 509.2241 D554 L72

Containing more than 1,200 new entries on both major and minor figures of British science, this four-volume dictionary examines how the theories and practices of scientists were shaped by Victorian beliefs about religion, gender, imperialism, and politics, presenting a rich panorama of the development of science in the nineteenth century.

Umbrellas in Bloom Hong Kong's occupy movement uncovered

Speaker: Jason Y. Ng
Moderator: Pete Spurrier, Blacksmith Books
Date: 17 November 2016 (Thursday)
Time: 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Venue: Special Collections, 1/F, Main Library
Language: English

Registration will open 2 weeks before the book talk.



About the speaker

Jason Y. Ng is the bestselling author of *Umbrellas in Bloom* (2016), *No City for Slow Men* (2013) and *HONG KONG State of Mind* (2010). Together, the three books form his “Hong Kong Trilogy” that tracks the city’s post-colonial development.

Born in Hong Kong, Ng spent his entire adult life in Italy, the United States and Canada before returning to his birthplace to rediscover his roots. He is a contributor to the *South China Morning Post*, *TimeOut (HK)*, *EJInsight*, and *Hong Kong Free Press*. His social commentary blog *As I See It* and lifestyle review site *The Real Deal* have attracted a cult following in Asia and beyond. Ng is also a full-time lawyer and an adjunct associate professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Hong Kong.

About the book

The Umbrella Movement of 2014 put Hong Kong on the world map and elevated the docile, moneyminded Asian island to a model for pro-democracy campaigns across the globe. *Umbrellas in Bloom* is the first book available in English to chronicle this history-making event, written by a Hong Kongborn author and columnist based on his firsthand account at the main protest sites.

Didi Taltlow of the *New York Times* wrote: “Ng captures the lifecycle of the occupy movement with compassion and wit.” Zeb Ekert of Bloomberg Television called the book “compelling and full of surprises,” and said that Ng “combines a journalist’s precision with a Hong Konger’s passionate heart.”



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When True Love Came to China

Speaker: Lynn Pan

Moderator: Yang Binbin, Ph.D, Assistant Professor, School of Chinese, HKU

Date: 14 April 2016 (Thursday)

Click here to revisit the book talk

<<http://evideo.lib.hku.hk/play.php?vid=5551025>>



Heros & Gamblers: Tales of survival and good fortune of the Poy Family

Speaker: The Honourable Dr Vivienne Poy

Moderator: Professor C. F. Lee

Guest Speakers: Professor Henry Yu, Madame Janaline Oh, Mr Frank Ching

Date: 7 May 2016 (Saturday)

Click here to revisit the book talk

<<http://evideo.lib.hku.hk/play.php?vid=4866937>>



CURRENT EXHIBITIONS



LAUNCH OF THE HONG KONG IMAGE DATABASE EXHIBITION

5 - 19 October 2016

Exhibitions Area, 2/F Main Library,
The University of Hong Kong

Launch of the Hong Kong Image Database

The Main Library launched the new *Hong Kong Image Database* with an exhibition at the 2nd Floor Atrium/Exhibitions Area of the Main Library from 5 – 19 October 2016.

The Hong Kong Image Database is a digital collection of historical images documenting the Hong Kong experience from the 1840s through to the 1990s. The Database features a wealth of images of Hong Kong, including people, landscapes, infrastructures, villages, agriculture and fisheries activities, industrial settings, housing, buildings, panoramas, and more. The University of Hong Kong Libraries unlocks this digital vault of historic images with rich metadata and makes them freely available for public consultation.

The Database contains images scanned from a variety of resources collected by the Libraries' Special Collections, including photographic prints, slides, negatives, and print publications. Among the many photographs in the Database, several featured collections are available as well, such as, Hong Kong Tourist Association, Royal Asiatic Society Hong Kong Branch, Fanling Hunt Club, Land Use Survey Photos, Ng Bar Ling Hiking Photos, Walter Schofield Field Trip Photos, William Floyd Nineteenth Century Costume Portraits, Post WWII Images, Panoramas, Prominent Figures and more.

<http://digital.lib.hku.hk/hkimage/>



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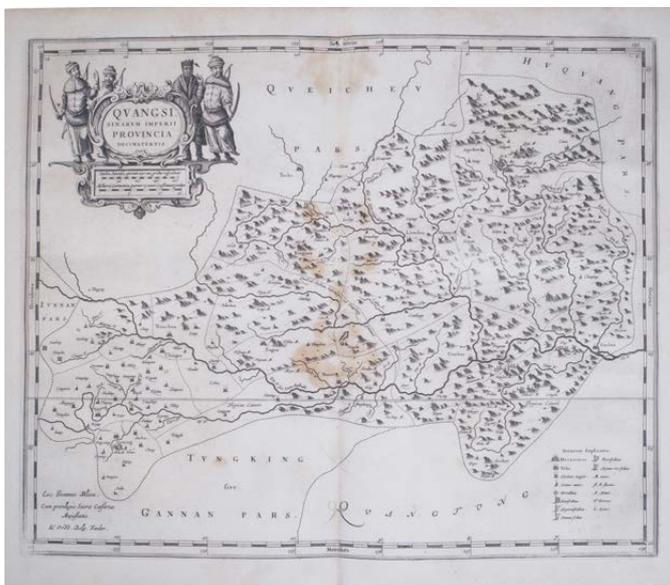


China through Western Eyes: 16th and 17th Century Titles from The University of Hong Kong Libraries Exhibition. 域外看中國：香港大學圖書館藏十六、十七世紀典籍展

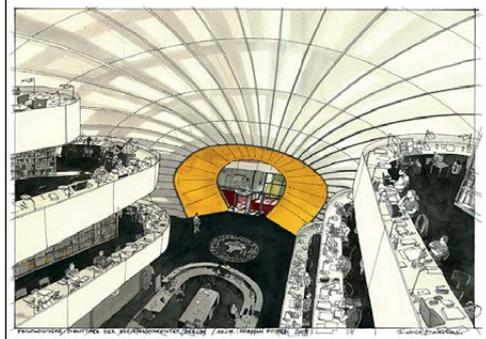
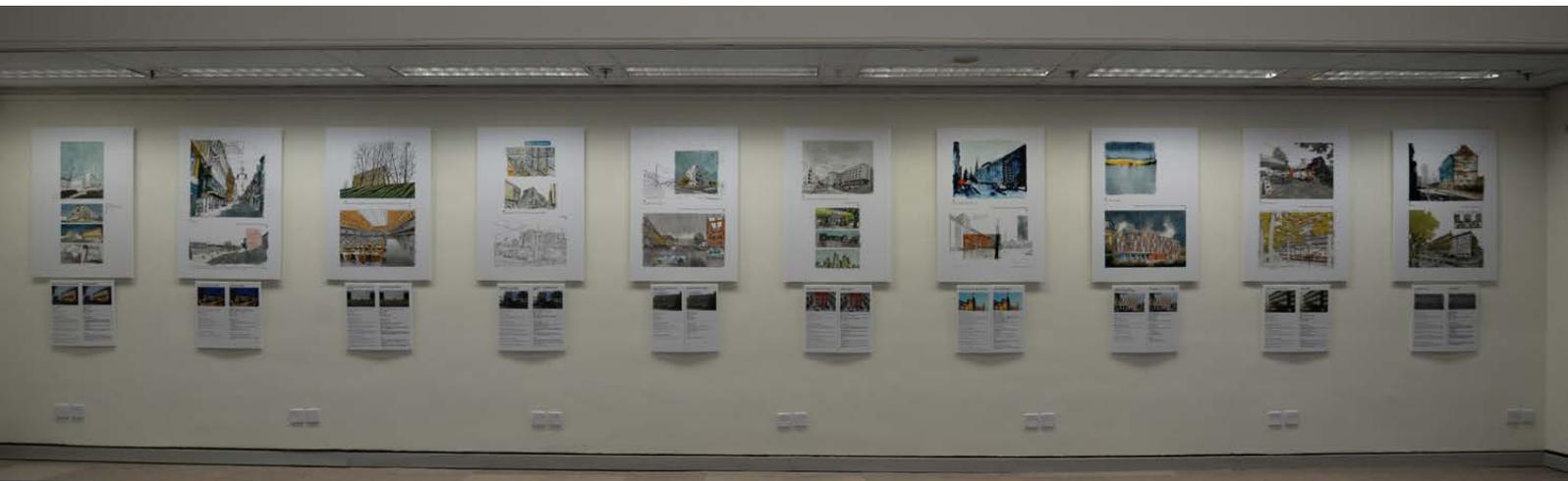
The Main Library is presenting *China through Western Eyes: 16th and 17th Century Titles from The University of Hong Kong Libraries* Exhibition at the 2nd Floor Atrium/Exhibition Area of the Main Library from 5 – 18 October 2016.

The exhibition showcases titles from the Western Rare Book Collection. The exhibition offers a first-hand glimpse of the rare books originally authored by a number of Jesuit missionaries and those of other Catholic orders, as well as by explorers, scholars and merchants, including works by Alvaro Semedo (1585–1658), Athanasius Kircher (1602–1680), Martino Martini (1614–1661), and Johannes Nieuwhof (1618–1672). Visitors are invited to travel back in time to appreciate how China was once perceived and understood by westerners during the Ming and Qing dynasties.

Special Collections



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READING THE CITY – Library Architecture in Germany Exhibition

An interpretation of prominent library buildings and urban culture in Germany in drawings by Fabio Barilari

16 May - 3 June 2016

The Atrium, 2/F Main Library



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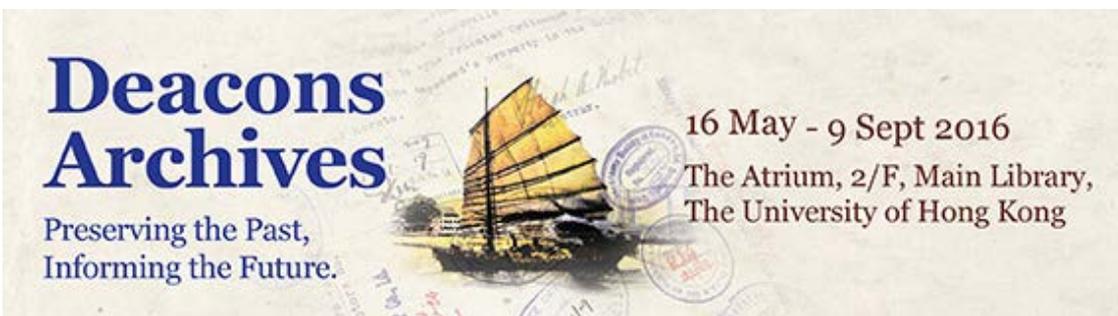
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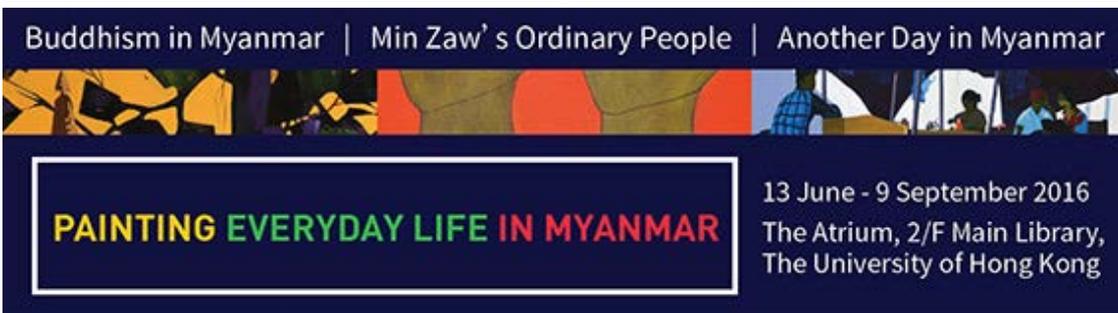
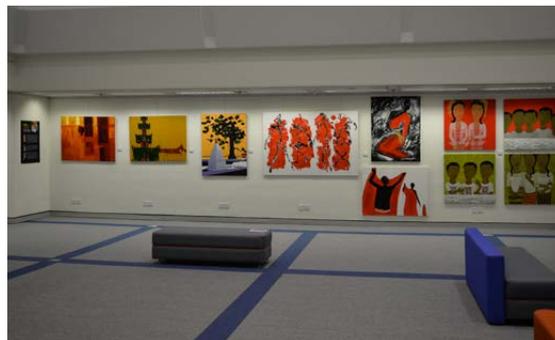
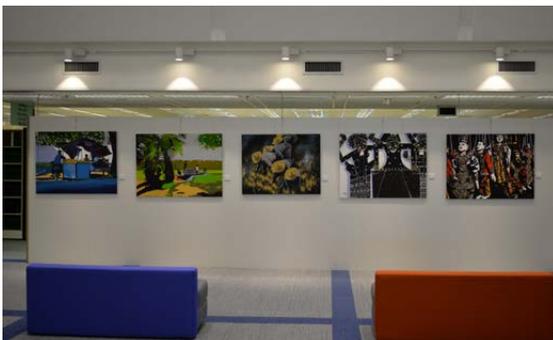
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Deacons Archives - Preserving the Past, Informing the Future

16 May - 9 September, 2016 | Exhibitions Area, 2/F Main Library



Painting Everyday Life in Myanmar

13 June - 9 September, 2016 | Exhibitions Area, 2/F Main Library

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Mandela Exhibition

12 - 28 September, 2016 | Exhibitions Area, 2/F Main Library

In collaboration with the South African Consulate-General, HKSAR/MSAR and the HKU African Studies Programme, the Libraries held the first Mandela Exhibition in Hong Kong. The exhibition was held in the newly renovated Atrium/Exhibitions Area located at the new 2nd Floor Main Library Entrance.

Nelson Mandela has been central to every stage of South Africa's epic struggle against apartheid – from formulating a new approach in the 1940s to leading the mass struggles of the 1950s, from the formation of Umkhonto weSizwe in the early 1960s to imprisonment for 27 years. He initiated and led negotiations in the 1990s, and served as the first President of a democratic South Africa, building a new nation from the fragments of conflict.

Mandela's extraordinary life is explored through six themes - character, comrade, leader, prisoner, negotiator and statesman. In each theme, the narrative was presented through dramatically visual wall displays, supported by films, books and photographs.

An opening ceremony was held on the 13 September 2016 with light refreshments in the new Lounge area of the new entrance.

Revisit the exhibition at:

<http://lib.hku.hk/mandelaexhibit/>

For photos of the Opening Ceremony, go to our Facebook Event Page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/hkulevents/>



From right to left
South African Ambassador to China,
Ms Dolana Msimang, HKU President, Peter
Mathieson, South African Consulate General,
HK and Macau, Ms Phumelele Gwala



From right to left: South African Consulate
General, HK and Macau, Ms Phumelele
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