



Exciting New Development

Now You Can See CJK Scripts in Library Catalogue Records for East Asian Materials

When you open a catalogue record with a Chinese, Japanese or Korean romanized title, you will see a note "View in original scripts" under "item information." Click on it, and a window containing information in original characters will be displayed as shown in the following:



New Outlook and Re-organization of the Japanese Resources WebPages



The East Asian Library is pleased to announce the new Japanese Resources WebPages launched in September 2005. The main page of the Japanese Resources is designed like a menu and it gives access to a variety of resources on individual pages. The focus of the design is on functionality and user-friendliness. For instance, web-links that are useful to "Search for Books" group resources from the union catalogues, Japanese university catalogues, etc. and similarly, links that help our users to "Search for Articles" collect together citation indexes and databases. We find that by pooling links of different types of resources that serve the same purpose onto the same page, we can facilitate our users in their research.

We are grateful to the Keio University Libraries' Visiting Librarian, Hijiri Okamoto, for her valuable contribution to

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this initiative. She was instrumental in coming up not only with design ideas but also with the selection of resources in the areas of Japanese Government and Economics & Business.

You can find the Japan Resources WebPages at:

http://link.library.utoronto.ca/eal/web/resources/japanese/jpn_resources.htm

We welcome your questions and comments. Please contact either Lynne Kutsukake, Japan Studies Librarian at lynne.kutsukake@utoronto.ca or Fabiano Takashi Rocha, Japanese Cataloguer at fabiano.rocha@utoronto.ca.

Welcome!

Visiting Librarian from Keio University

We are delighted to welcome Mr. Takashi Shimada, exchange librarian from Keio University Libraries in Japan. Mr. Shimada is particularly interested in learning more about how we manage our collection of electronic resources at the University of Toronto Libraries. During his five-month stay, from September 2005 to January 2006, he is rotating through various departments within the library system: Information Technology Services, Information Commons, Reference, Access and Information, Materials Processing and the Cheng Yu Tung East Asian Library. Mr. Shimada can be reached at takashi.shimada@utoronto.ca.



New E-Resources in the East Asian Library

— Good news for East Asian studies users

The Cheng Yu Tung East Asian Library has added new electronic databases to its e-resources collection.

CHINESE DATABASES

Si Bu Cong Kan 四部叢刊

This collection of major Chinese scholarly works was originally published by the Shang wu yin shu guan (The Commercial Press) in Shanghai from 1919 to 1936 in 504 titles and 3,134 volumes. The works collected were primarily reprints of the rare Song (960-1279), Yuan (1260-1368), and Ming (1368-1644) editions, and were classified according to the four recognized divisions of Chinese literature; namely, the Classics (經), History (史), Philosophy (子), and Belles-lettres (集).

This electronic version of Si Bu Cong Kan that our library purchased represents the original collection in searchable full-text format with traditional Chinese characters. You can access this database from the staff workstation



in the microform reading room behind the EAL circulation desk. The database will also be installed in the UofT's Winframe portal, and you will be able to access it through our library's e-resources webpage.

Ren Min Ri Bao 人民日報

People's Daily electronic version contains full-text articles published from May 15, 1946 to Dec. 2004. As the Chinese Communist Party's official newspaper, the People's Daily has comprehensive coverage of China's cultural, social, economic, and political affairs of the last 60 years. It represents the viewpoint of the Chinese Communist Party and the Chinese government.



In this database, you can find first-hand materials on some important political events, such as the establishment of the People's Republic of China, the anti-Rightists

movement in the 1950s, Mao's Cultural Revolution and Deng Xiaoping's reform. Articles can be retrieved by author, title, date, page, section and column. You can also read the original paper page by page in PDF format. The resource has been successfully tested and will be added to the library's e-resources soon.

Qianlong Da Zang Jing 乾隆大藏經 (Great Treasury Scriptures)

<http://winframe5.library.utoronto.ca/ealdvd1/index.htm>

Printing of the Qianlong Da Zang Jing started in the 13th year of the Emperor Yongzheng 雍正 (1735) in Beijing. It was finished in the third year of Emperor Qianlong 乾隆 (1738). The whole set includes 718 cases (函), 7168 volumes (卷), and 1660 titles (部). Also



known as "Long Zang" 龍藏, this collection of scriptures is recognized as one of the best Chinese Buddhist canons.

For more information about the above resources, please contact our China Studies Librarian, Stephen Qiao, at stephen.qiao@utoronto.ca or 416-946-7522.

JAPANESE E-NEWSPAPER

YOMIDAS: Yomiuri Shinbun database (1986-)

<http://main.library.utoronto.ca/eir/EIRdetail.cfm?ResourcesID=215588&T=N&FID=>

Great news about e-newspaper databases!

The library now subscribes to YOMIDAS, the online database of the Yomiuri Shinbun from 1986 to the present. YOMIDAS contains the full text of the Yomiuri Shinbun (in Japanese) and the Daily Yomiuri (in English). It is updated daily. The database is keyword searchable and the



interface can be switched to either Japanese or English. The contents are text only, but you can search the Yomiuri Shashinkan at

<http://www.yomiuri.co.jp/shashinkan> for selected free photographs. YOMIDAS also includes a very useful database of biographical information.

To arrange for training in using any of our Japanese electronic resources, please contact Lynne Kutsukake, Japan Studies Librarian, at lynne.kutsukake@utoronto.ca.

KOREAN DATABASES



Chosun Ilbo Archive

<http://archive.chosun.com/daliy.htm>

Chosun Ilbo Archive provides searching and full text of the major South Korean newspaper 朝鮮日報 (조선일보) from 1920-1940 and 1945 to the current day.

Kdatabase = Hangukhak Chonja Tosogwan

<http://www.kdatabase.com/>



Kdatabase, developed by Korea Contents Lab, is a large online history library that provides access to all works of 116 leading scholars about contemporary Korean History: from 1945 to the present, and subjects range from politics to economics, society, culture, foreign relations and North Korea.

Kdatabase also includes 14 original document archives about Korea written by Counter Intelligence Corps in Korea, including: secret documents of Soviet embassy in North Korea, Joint Weekly Analyses, etc. This database is written in the Korean language.

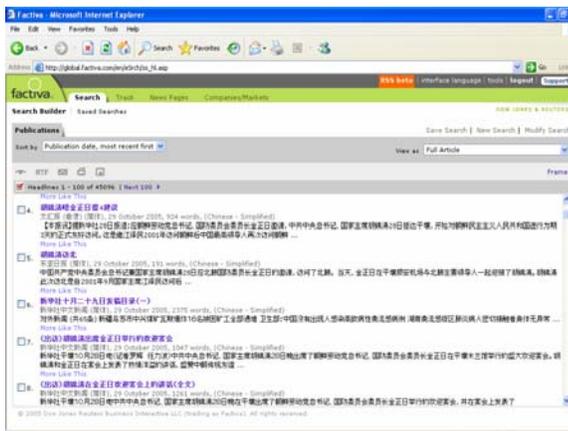
These Korean resources are available to U of T students, faculty and staff from any computer connected to the campus network and from an off-campus computer through "my.access."

For more information, please contact the Korea Studies librarian, Hana Kim, by telephone at 416-978-3805 or 416-978-1570, or via email at hn.kim@utoronto.ca.



E-NEWSPAPER: FACTIVA

Factiva is a global news and business information database which provides full-text articles from newspapers and news services from around the world. This database offers a wealth of contemporary newspaper information, including coverage on China, Japan and Korea. Factiva is searchable in Chinese, Japanese and English.



ON CHINA

In Chinese

China Times covers the news of domestic and international politics, economy, society, entertainment, life and consumers, and fashion in Taiwan.

Ming Pao Daily News was established in Hong Kong over 40 years ago. Ming Pao covers Hong Kong and China news, economics, entertainment, and sports.

Sing Tao Daily News is a daily newspaper published in Hong Kong. It provides business, political, entertainment, sports and regional news.

United Daily News rolled off the press on September 16, 1951. Its development has gone hand in hand with the political democratization and economic liberalization process in Taiwan.

In English

China Daily covers political, economic, business and cultural news on mainland China.

The China Post is a newspaper of general interest from Taiwan.

Central News Agency (CNA) news is published by this international news agency, which has the longest history among Chinese media organizations. The agency was founded in Canton, China, on April 1, 1924 and was relocated to Taipei, Taiwan, in 1949.

South China Morning Post includes both general news and business reporting. As the leading regional newspaper, particular emphasis is placed on Hong Kong and the special economic zones in the People's Republic of China.

Xinhua News Agency news is China's official news. Xinhua, literally means New China, is the official and the largest domestic information news provider in mainland China.

ON JAPAN

In Japanese

Chunichi Shimbun (1 May 2003-)

Jiji Corporate News (19 November 1998-)

Mainichi Shimbun (1 May 2002-)

Mainichi Shimbun Newswire (27 March 1998-)

Mainichi Weekly Economist (31 December 1993-)

Reuters - News in Japanese (13 January 1995-)

Sankei Shimbun - Tokyo HQ Edition (21 January 1997-)

Tokyo Shimbun (1 May 2003-)

Weekly Tokyo (11 January 2000-)

Yomiuri Shimbun HQ & Local Edition (1 January 2002-)

Yomiuri Shimbun Newswire (1 January 2002-)

In English

Asahi Shimbun [Herald Asahi] / **Asahi Evening News** (18 March 1997-)

Daily Yomiuri (23 February 2002-)

The Japan Times (1 June 2002-)

Jiji Press English News Service (29 September 1981-)

Kyodo News (1 February 1991-)

Mainichi Daily News (19 March 1997-)

Nikkei Report (30 May 2002-)

ON KOREA

In English

Chosun Ilbo (31 January 2001-) covers Korean and international news, with emphasis on political, economic, and foreign affairs.

Dong-A Ilbo Daily (7 June 2002-) covers Korea's political news, social issues, and international news with in-depth commentaries.

Joins.com (2 March 2000-) provides English and Japanese translations of selected articles from the major Korean newspaper, Joongang Ilbo. It covers national & international news, including North Korea, economics, sports and culture.

The Korea Herald (5 January 1998-) is a national daily newspaper covering general, economic and financial news.

Korea Times (3 March 1998-) is another leading daily newspaper from South Korea, with general, political and business news.

ACCESS TO E-RESOURCES

You can access e-resources from the Cheng Yu Tung East Asian Library homepage <http://www.library.utoronto.ca/east/>. Click on "Library Resources," then choose the Chinese, Japanese or Korean resources according to your research interest. When you are on the resource page, locate the title that you want.

From the main U of T Libraries homepage <http://www.library.utoronto.ca/>, click on "e-Resources", and simply type in the title, for example, "Qianlong Da Zang Jing," "YOMIDAS" or "kdatabase."

EAL Display & Exhibition

THE KOREA FOUNDATION—DISTRIBUTION BY REQUEST PROGRAM

— Putting Korea on Canada's Bookshelves

The Cheng Yu Tung East Asian Library has prepared a special display to express its sincere gratitude to The Korea Foundation for its generous support. During 2004-2005, the library received 527 gift volumes on Korean studies in the areas of literature, language, history, arts and social sciences from the "Distribution by Request" program. This gift is valued at \$US10,000. It is anticipated that these materials will be heavily used for teaching and research.

The "Distribution by Request" program is one among many other programs supported by the Korea Foundation.

The Foundation is an independent organization affiliated with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and supported by both public and private funding. It was established in 1991 with the aim to enhance Korea's image and reputation globally through the promotion of various academic and cultural exchange programs.

This display will be featured until December 31, 2005 at the Cheng Yu Tung East Asian Library.



EXHIBITION: SAKURA PROJECT

In connection with the Sakura project, which aims to plant 3000 Japanese flowering cherry (Sakura) trees in Ontario, the EAL Exhibition area is featuring our library materials about Sakura. 70 Sakura trees have been planted around the Robarts Library. Before the cherry trees blossom, you can preview its beauty by browsing the exhibition area in the Tibetan Room.

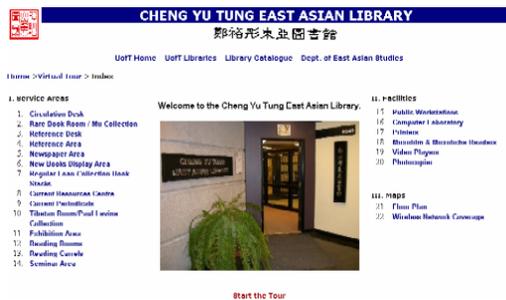
EAL Homepage Update: Virtual Tour Launched

Want to learn more about the facilities and resources in the library?

— Take a virtual tour of the East Asian Library

The East Asian Library virtual tour is here. With brief descriptions, snapshots and maps, it introduces the library's major facilities and locations, such as the Current Resources Centre, special collections, computing and media facilities, wireless coverage and seminar rooms. The tour offers a complete round route visit of the library starting from the entrance. Click on the "Virtual Tour" icon on the EAL homepage or type in the following URL:

http://www.library.utoronto.ca/east/NewFolder/virtual_tour/tour_index.html



Notable Acquisitions

NEW CHINESE MEDIA MATERIALS

You can research and experience Chinese history and culture through the Chinese media materials newly acquired by the Cheng Yu Tung East Asian Library. For example, you can experience history in the Republican Period from the perspectives of the key insiders by watching the interview of General Zhang Xueliang and film footage from China National Archive showing China in the second half of the 20th Century. Many of the images have never been publicly released before. The following presents some highlights of these new media materials.

Tie Xi Qu 铁西区

(A l'Quest des rails) [DVD documentary film] HA4638 .S56 T54 2004

Produced by Wang Bin in the Tie Xi district of Shenyang,



Liaoning Province, the film depicts the changes in the life of the manufacture workers from 1999 to 2001. Tie Xi district is one of the oldest and most enormous industrial centers in China. It was built in 1934 during the Japanese occupation to produce weaponry. When the People's Republic of China was established in 1949, it was converted to become a backbone of China's industry. However, the state-owned enterprises in this area have been losing their edge in the market-oriented economic system. The film shows how the workers struggle for survival in this situa-

tion. It can be used as a teaching supplement for courses related to contemporary China.

"Eight model plays"

八个样板戏

The "eight model plays" of China staged during the Cultural Revolution period are important first-hand materials for researching Chinese Cultural Revolution (1966-1976). Directed by Jiang Qing, the wife of Mao Zedong, they were the only plays officially allowed to be performed in China during the time to promote communist ideology. In terms of genre, these plays attempted to combine elements and techniques in traditional Peking opera and western drama. The VCD version of the plays is instrumental for the studies of performance art, history and culture during the Cultural Revolution period.



Other new titles added to our media collection include:

1. 考古中国 Kao gu Zhongguo [DVD] DS715 .K365 2004
2. 目击中国50年: 1949-1999 Mu ji Zhongguo 50 nian :1949-1999 [VCD] DS774 .M77 1999.
3. 世纪行過: 少帅张学良传奇 Shi ji xing guo: Shao shuai Zhang Xueliang chuan qi [VCD] DS777.488 .Z47 Z443 2001.

4. 中國傳世國寶 Zhongguo chuan shi guo bao
(Most precious treasures of China) [DVD]
ND1042 .Z43 2004.
5. 中國傳世經典名畫 Zhongguo chuan shi jing
dian ming hua [DVD] ND1042 .Z433 2004.
6. 中國古建築 Zhongguo gu jian zhu [DVD]
NA1543 .Z443 2004.
7. 中华民族婚俗大观 Zhonghua min zu hun su da
guan [VCD] GT2783 .A2 Z56 2002.
8. 华人纵横天下 Hua ren zong heng tian xia [DVD]
DS732 .Z456 2002.

KOREAN ENCYCLOPAEDIA

Choson tae paek kwa sajon

(조선 대 백과 사전)

We are very pleased to announce the acquisition of a 30-volume set of "Choson tae paek kwa sajon." It is an encyclopaedia set published in North Korea.

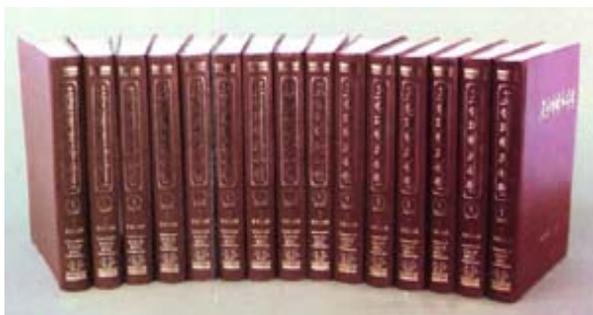
Title: Choson tae paek kwa sajon

(조선 대 백과 사전)

Publication info: [P'yongyang] : Paek kwa Sajon Ch'ul'p'ansa, 1995-2001.

Call number: AE35.4 .C458 1995 30v.

This set is shelved in the East Asian Library Reference Section.

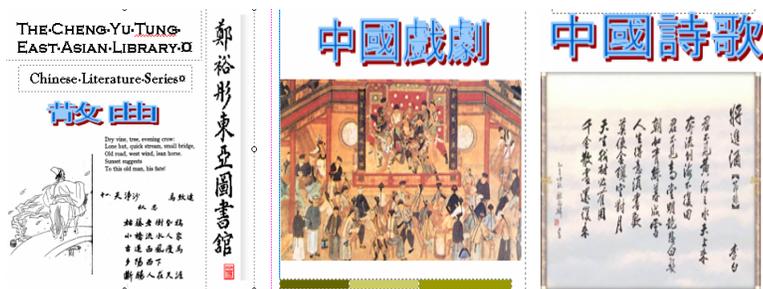


New Reference and Information Brochures

Finding Aids: Chinese Literature Series

Need help with good reference materials for your studies of Chinese literature? Three new brochures on **Chinese Poetry**, **Drama** and **Sanqu** (Song-Poetry) have been compiled and published recently by the East Asian Library. These guides provide brief introductions to the genres and highlight selected important materials for different historical periods. The titles include annotations, locations and call numbers information. These guides are available in the reference area and the EAL website: Library Services -> Finding Aids: Chinese Series -> Literature.

We are grateful to Professor Richard Lynn for his invaluable comments on the choice of topics and titles.



Donation to EAL

TANIS GILLING'S DONATION: THRIVING CHOSEN

Mrs. Tanis Gillings has generously donated a rare book entitled, "Thriving Chosen: a Survey of Twenty-Five Years' Administration" to the Cheng Yu Tung East Asian Library last April. Mrs. Gillings inherited the hand-bound book from her grandfather who spent many years travelling in the East from the late 1800's to mid 1900's. This rare book, now valued at approximately a \$US 500, was compiled by the Government-General of Chosen and published in October 1935 as a limited edition. It is in English and has maps and photos of the country. We assume that this book was somewhat of a public relations gift to travellers. The library is deeply grateful for Mrs. Gillings' generous donation.



Library Staff Update

We welcome!

Cao, Jie—ALT at the Circulation Desk. He majors in Economics.

Chan, Joseph—ALT at the Circulation Desk. He studies Actuarial Science.

Chan, Spencer—ALT at the Circulation Desk, majors in Commerce.

Hung, Stephanie—ALT at the Circulation Desk, studies in the Department of Linguistics.

Mak, Fiona—ALT at the Circulation Desk, is from the Faculty of Medicine, majoring in Radiological Technology.

Su, Haoqing—ALT from the Faculty of Information Studies. She assists with the library homepage development activities.

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Publication & Research

Our library's China specialist, George Zhao, has recently co-authored with Professor Richard Guisso of the Department of East Asian Studies to write an article entitled "Female Anxiety and Female Power: the Political Interventions by Mongol Empresses During the 13th and 14th Centuries in China." It will be published in *History and Society in Central and Inner Asia*, Toronto Studies in Central and Inner Asia Series, No. 7, 2005. This article examines the particular case of political interventions by Mongol empresses and dowager-empresses during the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries. It demonstrates that female power was legitimate and recognized in the Mongol political system, and that women often competed with men successfully in the highest echelons of the state. It might seem that they struggled only to advance their sons, but in fact many of them enjoyed their own power and struggled successfully to maintain it.

George is currently working on another research project on the Korean tribute women in the Mongol Yuan court. The research focuses on one powerful Korean woman, Lady Qi, who eventually became the empress of the last Yuan emperor and has been blamed for her role in the demise of the Mongol Empire. George attempts to argue that, contrary to the general criticism from Confucian historians on the Empress political involvement, Lady Qi possessed a genuine loyalty to the preservation of the Mongol Empire.

Season's Greetings



OUR BEST WISHES TO YOU FOR A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY !



From the Staff of Cheng Yu Tung East Asian Library
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