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Our Donors (Books)

2015

Goh Kay Kee

872 volumes (including journal issues) were received. The titles which include out-of-print titles cover a wide range of topics, from literature, history, philosophy, arts, religion (especially Buddhism), to politics and society. They would be useful in the research of philosophy, arts, and societies, and in comparative or interdisciplinary research.

2012

Lee Lai To

1211 volumes were received. With an Asian focus, these donated books include valuable out-of-print titles and cover a wide range of topics, from history and politics to international relations and defence.

Dudley Patrick de Souza

718 volumes were received. This collection of books consists of a large number of English literature titles including classic works by local writers.

2011

Tan Poh Han

1173 volumes were received. The donation includes a substantial number of local theatre programmes as well as publications by Hong Kong, China, and local authors. They form a treasured collection of resources on especially the local Chinese theatre scene.

2010

Loo Shaw Chang

957 books and 36 journals were received. The donation consists of Chinese literature publications by well known Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore and China authors. Most of these titles were published from the 1950s to 1990s. Some examples are:

- "[Yanshi Jiaxun Jijie 《颜氏家训集解》](#)" by Yan Zhitui (颜之推) (1980)
- "[Meng Zi Zheng Yi 《孟子正义》](#)" by Jiao Xun (焦循) (1957)
- "[Wen Shi Tong Yi 《文史通义》](#)" by Zhang Xuecheng (章学诚) (1956)
- "[Yuyan de Tansuo 《语言的探索》](#)" by Wang Shiyuan (王士元) (2000)
- "[Zhongguo Xiandai Shi 《中国现代史》](#)" by Jilin Daxue (吉林大学)
- "[Zhongguo Meixueshi Ziliao Xuanbian 《中国美学史资料选编》](#)" by Beijing Daxue Zhexuexi Meixue Jiaoyanshi (北京大学哲学系美学教研室) (1980),
- "[Meixue Lunji 《美学论集》](#)" by Li Zhehou (李泽厚) (1980).

Wang Chu Meng

1588 volumes were received. The donations are literature publications by China authors.

Some examples are:

- "[Cai Gen Tan 《菜根谭》](#)" by Hong Yingming (洪应明)
- "[Pu Songling Ji 《蒲松龄集》](#)" and
- "[Xiangzhu Liaozhai Zhiyi Tuyong 《详注聊斋志异图咏》](#)" by Pu Songling (蒲松龄) (1981)
- "[Ji Gu Lu 《稽古录》](#)" by Si Maguang (司马光) (1988)
- "[Wuyue Chungqiu Quanyi 《吴越春秋全译》](#)" by Zhaoye Yuan (赵晔原) (1993)
- "[Zheng Zhenzhuo Wenji 《郑振铎文集》](#)" by Zheng Zhenzhuo (郑振铎) (1988)
- "[Huai Nan Zi 《淮南子》](#)" by Liu An (刘安) (1989).

Qiu Huiying

1417 books and 21 journals were received. The donation consists of Chinese literature publications by well-known Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore and China authors. The titles cover a large area of studies. Some examples are:

- "[Cong Dongfang dao Xifang 《从东方到西方》](#)" by Huang Zhilian (黄枝连)
- "[Liangge Datong de Shijie 《两个大同的世界》](#)" by Huiru (慧如)
- "[Muge 《牧歌》](#)" by Huishi (慧适)
- "[Jiangjieshi yu Nanjing Guomin Zhenfu 《蒋介石与南京国民政府》](#)" by Jiajin Liangzi (家近亮子) (2005)
- "[Nanyang Daxue Lishi Tupian Ji 《南洋大学历史图片集》](#)" by Ji Baokun (纪宝坤) (2000)
- "[Qianxi Wenchun 《千禧文存》](#)" by Ji Xianlin (季羨林) (2001)
- "[Huawo Guxiang 《画我故乡》](#)" by Lan Mengding (蓝荫鼎) (1979).

2009

Lee Tzu Pheng

579 books and 83 journal titles were received, specifically on critical studies of Children's literature, myth criticism, and Singapore-Malaysia publications. Some are rare titles published in the late 1800s and early 1900s. Examples are:

- "[A Little Cockney](#)" by S.G. (1907)
- "[Melbourne House](#)" by Susan Warner
- "[The Lost Thimble](#)" by Mrs Musgrave
- "[A Christmas Child](#)" by Mrs Molesworth (reprinted 1913)
- "[A Harum-Scarum Schoolgirl](#)" by Angela Brazil.

National Library Board

This donation is selected from the collections of Lin Chen and Zen Wanying with 589 and 53 titles received respectively. The selected publications comprise of works on Chinese literature, linguistics, and cinematic history from Lin Chen's collection, and titles on contemporary China from Zen Wanying's collection.

National University of Singapore Chinese Library

A total of 8928 titles were received. This donation covers a broad spectrum in the field of Chinese Studies, including titles on literature, historical, cultural, and society. A number of these titles were published in 1950s.

Professor Ng Boey Kui

Professor Ng donated a total of 218 Economics titles in Chinese and English. Books on Economics theory are included in this donation. A number of the received publications also dealt with case studies on various countries' financial sectors, for example Japan, Vietnam, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, Europe, and the United States of America.

Wang Qiutian and Zhu Xu

A total of 335 titles from the collections of Wang Qiutian and Zhu Xu were received. These two donations contain valuable publications on both local and overseas theatre studies. Topics covered range from the study of theatre theories to the practice of the performing arts itself.

2008

Professor Kwok Kian Woon

112 English and Chinese publications were donated. Topics include historiography, history of China and America, cultural studies of Arabs, Jews, Generation 'X' and many more.

Tan Phor Ser

744 Chinese publications were donated. Most titles were literary works published by:

- [Kaiming shu dian \(开明书店\)](#)
- [Renmin wen xue chu ban she \(人民文学出版社\)](#)
- [Zhonghua shu ju \(中华书局\)](#)
- [Shangwu ying shu guan \(商务印书馆\)](#)
- [Chuangken chu ban she \(创垦出版社\)](#)

in the 1940s to 1950s. Works from well-known authors such as Lu Xun, Cai Yuanpei, Cao Juren, Hu Shi can be found. Other literary publications in the 1960s and 1980s were also donated.

2007

Professor Alvin S. Goodman

Professor Alvin S. Goodman's donation contains titles in the field of water resources design. It includes comprehensive planning reports and design drawings for various hydroelectric projects worldwide. This donation contains 168 titles.

Professor Kuo Chen-Yu, Eddie

The donation from Professor Eddie Kuo touches mainly on Sociology. Topics such as how to do social research, understanding sociology, study of family relationships and structure, cultural identity and other similar topics can be found. There are also a number of publications on Singapore. For example, on the story of Singapore's successful economic growth and development, church history in Singapore, values of Singapore youth and many others. Professor Kuo's donations were received from 2007 to 2009.

Li Rulin

Mr. Li Rulin's family donated a complete set of the classic text [Sibu Beiyao 《四部备要》](#) and other titles on Chinese literature. The Chinese literature titles include classical works and contemporary publications. For example, works of Xiao Hong, Lu Xun, Mao Dun, Ba Jin and Lin Shuhua among many others. There are a total of 379 titles in this donation.

Nanyang Girls' High School

This donation contains many materials on the art of Chinese painting such as painting techniques and art appreciation. Other titles include historical texts and books on general topics like Chinese culture. A total of 1077 items were donated.

Dr. William Tay

A total of 9639 titles of Chinese and English materials on Asian cinema and Chinese literature were received from Dr. William Tay. These include novels and publications by well-known authors and organizations, examples:

- Huang Chunming
- Jia Pingwa
- Wang Angyi
- Mo Yan, and others

Literary criticism of the contemporary literature of Hong Kong, Taiwan, classic texts and Chinese culture. Materials on Western literary theory.

2006

Hu Shaoxian

The donation from the late Singapore artist, Mr. Hu Shaoxian is a collection of publications on the art of seal carvings. It includes many titles on the study and artistic appreciation of seal-carving calligraphy. Beautiful exhibition catalogues and the study of calligraphy scripts were also given.

This donation also contains many books on Chinese paintings. Some publications about the works of Mr. Hu Shaoxian are also available. There are a total of 1168.

Professor Koh Tai Ann

A special collection of 70 titles mainly on local literature was donated by Professor Koh Tai Ann. Books written by Singapore and Malaysia authors such as poetry by Arthur Yap and fiction by K.S. Maniam were given. Other famous names are Chairil Anwar, Pira Sudham, and many others.

2005

Dr. Dennis Jen

The donation from Dr. Dennis Jen is a set of the 40 volumes classic text "[Kangxi zidian 《康熙字典》](#)".

Song Zhaoyu

Mr. Song Zhaoyu donated a set of "[Ershisishi 《二十四史》](#)", a classic text made up of 86 volumes.

2004

Professor Hua Lin

A total of 64 titles were received. The donation consists of literature and history materials. 3 important publications by the National Palace Museum in Taiwan,

- "[Secret palace memorials of the K'ang-hsi period](#)"
- "[Secret palace memorials of the Yung-cheng period](#)"
- "[Secret palace memorials of the Kuang-hsu period](#)"

are of special significance. Publications by Chiang Ching Kuo on the reflections of his father, and by Chiang Kai-shek himself are available as well.

Professor Huang Mengwen

1665 titles were donated. These contain works from several renowned Singapore, Malaysia, Taiwan, Hong Kong and China writers such as Tian Liu, Mo He, Bingxin and many others.

Many of the donated items were also autographed by the authors themselves.

Wang Tso

The 67 titles donated by Mr. Wang Tso's family consist of mostly Nanyang University publications and local writers' works.

2000

Huang Xu Wu

This donation contains titles on the study of Chinese literature from the Song to the Modern period. Topics that can be found include analysis on Chinese poetry, opera, lyrics, and thoughts. A total of 179 titles were donated.

Yap Kian Tiong

A total of 214 Japanese titles were received. These consist of works on literature, travel diaries, and instructional texts.

1997

Professor W.B. Rayward

501 titles related to the field of Library and Information Science was donated. There are a number of titles dealing with issues related to Children's Libraries, such as storytelling techniques and how to review children books. Titles on the management of libraries, intellectual property, and social sciences user services are also available.

1996

Fu Hua Lim

A total of 137 titles were received. These books include Chinese titles on the history of Western countries such as America and Europe. It also contains Chinese novels and some linguistics titles.

Huang Xian Mo

309 Chinese titles on economics studies, Western and Eastern philosophy, and sociological issues were received. Many of the Chinese texts are actually translated works of the Western scholars. Examples of such works are those of:

- John Maynard Keynes
- Georgii Valentinovich Plekhanov
- Sir William Petty
- Thomas Mun
- Vladimir Il'ich Lenin
- Paul Lafargue
- Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel
- Denis Diderot, and
- Immanuel Kant among many others

Ke Gui Hua

These 217 titles cover a broad range of topics from Chinese literature, classic texts, politics, dictionaries, culture to linguistics.

Pan Da Song

Mr. Pan Da Song donated 1700 titles mostly on the philosophical thoughts of famous 20th century figures of China. These include people such as Lu Xun and Guo Moruo. Other topics include Chinese literature, and contemporary history.

Pan Jie Fu

Notable classical Chinese text such as the "[Siku Quanshu Zhenbenchujì 《四库全书珍本初集》](#)" and "[Sibu cong kan 《四部丛刊》](#)" were received among others.

Woon Tai Liou

A total of 462 titles were received. These consist mostly of biographies of contemporary Chinese figures such as Mao Zedong and Song Meiling, and novels by well-known contemporary Chinese authors such as Jia Pingwa, Mao Dun and Wen Yiduo.

Yin Jing Pei

- There were 519 titles on China history, Chinese literature and analysis of classic texts.