

manuscripts collection as well as the long and sustained relationships between these two libraries. This was followed by a visit to the Special Collection Division and the results of the LC and NCL digitization collaboration.

Since the year 2005, the LC and NCL officially signed a digitization of rare books cooperation agreement. This agreement was extended to 2007 until the end of 2012. This mutual agreement was signed by Dr. Deanna Marcum in her position as the then LC associate librarian.

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Events

■ *Attending the AAS 2013 Annual Meeting and Book Exhibition*

The Association for Asian Studies’ (AAS) 2013 Annual Meeting and Book Exhibition was held on March 22-24 at the Manchester Grand Hyatt in San Diego, California. The Center for

Chinese Studies from Taiwan’s National Central Library extended an invitation to the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange to attend the annual meeting and book exhibition together. NCL Deputy Director-general Wu Ying-mei and Assistant Editor Zhen Liao represented the Library.

NCL’s stand at the book exhibition displayed 485 titles (525 volumes) of books and CDs published in Taiwan in the last three years covering the topics of Chinese and Taiwanese studies. These represent the scholarly achievements and publication trends in Taiwan. The one thousand plus attendees from all over the world were able to order the books on display. At the same time a complete set of these resources were donated to the University of Texas Austin, which signed a memorandum with the Library in November 2012 for a Taiwan Chinese Studies Resource Center. The donation was designed to increase the Chinese studies and Taiwanese studies resources available in its library.



Deputy Director-general Wu Ying-mei (center) presented publications to Director Su Meng-fen (left), University of Texas Austin.