

Director-General Tseng (3rd from right), Long-yang Tseng (center), Deputy Director of the Cultural Affairs Department of Pingtung County and committee members.

### ■ Taiwan Children's Illustration Contest: Part of 2016 Biennial of Animation Bratislava

The NCL collaborated with the Slovak Economic and Cultural Office in organizing the "Taiwan Children's Illustration Contest, Part of 2016 Biennial of Animation Bratislava." The opening ceremony was held at the NCL on Sep. 6.

From then until Sep. 13, this illustration contest will be hosted by 9 major institutions in different areas of Taiwan. There will be 10 superior and 20 excellent rating works selected to join the exhibition of 2016 Biennial of Animation Bratislava in Slovak.



Participants watch the BAB film.

In the opening remarks, Director-General Tseng noted that the illustration contest provides Taiwan Children to attend international

exhibition. Through this exhibition, it allows more people in Europe to know Taiwan Children's talent in painting and animation.

Representative Mr. Michal Kovac of the Slovak Economic and Cultural Office, who spearheaded this joint event, especially thanked the NCL's support in his opening remarks for the opportunity to have the illustration contest organized in many locations in Taiwan, showing the creative energy and artistic culture of Slovakia.

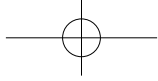


Drawing contest in progress.

### ■ 2016 PNC Annual "Digital Library" Session Comes to an End

The Pacific Neighborhood Consortium (PNC) originated from a meeting of public university presidents in the Pacific region with the aim of mutual assistance between neighboring countries. Each year the annual meeting is held at a different coastal city, with lectures and discussions on the newest internet technology.

The 2016 PNC Annual Conference and Joint Meetings were held on August 16-18 at the Getty Center in Los Angeles. The theme of the conference was "Does Data Construct Reality?" The National Central Library was invited, as in years past, to organize the Digital Library session, which was held on the morning of Aug. 18.



This year's Digital Library session was centered on "The Preservation and Inheritance of Culture, and the Construction of Digitization Knowledge." Three people were invited to present, with the NCL Director-General Tseng acting as discussant. She also spoke on "Digital Preservation and Curation for Cultural and Intellectual Assets—National Central Library's Experiences."

Peter X. Zhou, Assistant University Librarian and Director of C.V. Starr East Asian Library at UC Berkeley, discussed "Digital Dunhuang: A Growing World-Class Digital Humanities Resource for Digital Preservation," and Prof. Hao-ren Ke, National Taiwan Normal University, talked about the "Ontology-Based Digital Humanities System for the Development of Librarianship in Taiwan."



*Three presenters of the digital library session, Director Zhou, Director-General Tseng and Prof. Ke (from left to right).*

The dialog between Taiwanese and American library directors, exploring the efforts and results of the NCL's promotion of digital preservation and use of cultural assets, the international cooperation of the Digital Dunhuang Project, and the creation of digital humanities systems, showed that libraries across the region are striving to preserve and pass on cultural resources, as well as to develop digital libraries.

## ■ NCL Attends IFLA's 2016 Annual Meeting and Poster Exhibition

The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) World Library and Information Congress: 82nd IFLA General Conference and Assembly was held from Aug. 13-19 in Columbus, Ohio. The theme of this year's congress was "Connections, Collaboration, Community." A total of 224 sessions and related events transpired, with over 4,000 librarians attending from more than 100 countries.



*IFLA President Donna Scheeder (center right) and Secretary General Gerald Leitner (center left) pose with NCL participating librarians.*

The NCL not only organized to attend the congress and other events, it also presented a poster entitled "Sailing on the Path of Knowledge: Young Scholar Cultivation Workshop," sharing with librarians from around the world how the NCL held a workshop for high school students to increase their interest in research. The group from the NCL also visited the renowned Columbus Metropolitan Library, the Online Computer Library Center (OCLC) and the Ohio State University.

## ■ Fall Lecture Series

This year's fall lecture series was themed "Travel Formulas: The Imagination and Construction of Classical Travelogues." The