

*The opening ceremony of 2017 Taipei International Book Exhibition.*

Director-General Tseng stated in her remarks that the first TiBE was actually held at National Central Library. Because of this, NCL has viewed participating in TiBE each year as a grand occasion. This year marked the first year that these three libraries co-organized a joint exhibition marketing the rich collections and resources available.

The exhibition space was divided into different themes: a main exhibition area, a publication and cultural creation area, an interactive experience area, and a stage performance area. In addition, the stage performance area put on 30 magnificent activities that helped attendees better understand library resources available.

The idea for the exhibition entrance this year was a giant book wall design using distinctive books from the collections of three national libraries. The design won the silver 2017 Taipei International Book Exhibition Best Booth Design Award in the Large Booth category.

## ■ A Report on Taiwan's Reading Tastes

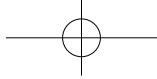
Every year since 2011, the NCL has issued a report on Taiwan's reading tastes. This year, a press conference was held at the Ministry of Education on February 17, 2017, to present the findings of a survey of reading tastes and celebrate model book-borrowers.

Director-General Tseng broke down the survey findings: in 2016, there were over 76 million visits to Taiwan's public libraries. Books were borrowed on over 20 million of these visits, with a total of over 71 million volumes borrowed. This represents an increase of 3.99% on last year's total. The number of borrowers also increased by 6.49% in 2015, while the number of volumes borrowed increased by 3.24%. The most popular subject among readers was language and literature, representing over 35 million volumes borrowed, or 49.15% of the annual total.

Finally, model readers from around the country, parents, special guests, MOE



*NCL Director-General Tseng presents a brief report on the survey findings.*



Secretary General Shiue-yu Chen (陳雪玉), NCL Director-General Tseng, and the other library directors, assembled for a group photo, bringing the event to a successful conclusion.



Taipei Yong-Le (永樂) Elementary School gives a performance at the press conference.

### ■ Taiwan Most Influential Academic Resources Award Ceremony and Press Conference

On March 31, 2017, NCL held a Taiwan Most Influential Academic Resources Award Ceremony and Press Conference. Results were gathered using metadata from three main systems at NCL: the National Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations in Taiwan, the Taiwan Citation Index—Humanities and Social Sciences, and the Index to Taiwan Periodical Literature System. Most influential academic resources, universities and colleagues were concluded from the data. A report was presented and awards were given accordingly.

The eight awards issued included the Most Influential Humanities and Social Science

Journal, the Most Read Academic Journal, the Most Downloaded Academic Journal, the Best Academic Repository, the Best Academic Dissemination, the Best Academic Visibility, the Knowledge Sharing Award, and the Academic Influence Award. A total of 113 academic journal publishers, universities and colleges attended. NCL also took this advantage to thank these organizations for their support and authorization to use their publications.



Director-General Tseng presents awards for the Most Influential Humanities and Social Science Journal and poses with the award winners.



All award winners pose with honored guests.