

electronic resources, and the preservation of ancient books. After the meeting, the group toured the library's Digital Center, Rare Books Room and other reader services facilities.



Director-General Tseng (right) presents Munparlas Library Association president Ms. Marivic Selencio with some NCL cultural products and publications.

■ The Philippine Non-Profit Group Volunteers of Storytelling Visit the NCL

On June 1, 2018, a 6-person delegation from the Philippine non-profit group of storytelling, Basadours, led by its president, Mr. Melvin Legaspi, visited the National Central Library (NCL). The group toured the Rare Books Room and other reader services facilities of NCL.



Group photo at the Rare Books Room of the NCL.

Chinese Studies Symposium

■ The Center for Chinese Studies Hosts Several Global Chinese Studies Lectures

NCL's Center for Chinese Studies held two Global Chinese Studies Lectures on April 17. Invited to present their research findings at the

first session were Professor David M. Robinson, Fulbright Scholar, and 2018 CCS Visiting Scholar Professor Nurlan Kenzheakhmet. Both shared the fruits of their research whilst in Taiwan. Associate Research Fellow from Academia Sinica's Institute of History and Philology Chen Hsi-yuan served as moderator.

The first presentation was by Professor Robinson of History at Colgate University on "Was Tengri Qaghan Also in the Ming Court? A Look at the Image of an Emperor in Inner Asia during Early and Middle Ming." The second presentation was by Professor Kenzheakhmet from Social Science College at Nazarbayev University in Kazakhstan, who spoke on "The Ming Court's Relationship with Eurasian Countries during the 15th and 16th Centuries."



Presenter Prof. David M. Robinson (left) and Moderator Prof. Chen Hsi-yuan.



Prof. Kenzheakhmet gives a lecture at NCL.

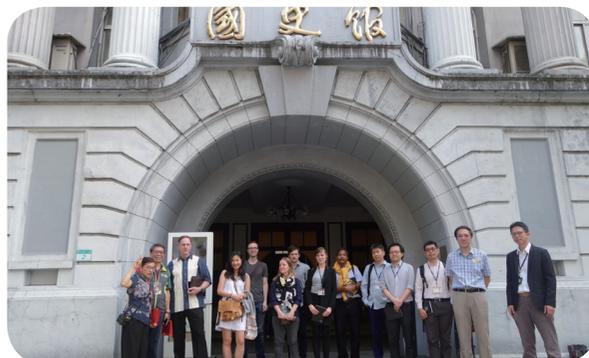
On April 24, 2018, another Global Chinese Studies Lecture was held. Invited to speak was Research Grant for Foreign Scholars in Chinese

recipient Professor Douglas L. Fix from Reed College's Department of History. He spoke on "Xiamen, a City of Immigrants." Academia Historica Director Wu Mi-cha served as moderator.



Presenter Prof. Douglas L. Fix (left) and Moderator Director Wu Mi-cha.

approval of development in the management and openness of Taiwan's archives, they also gained an understanding of the value and benefit of each resource's collection for their research.



Foreign visiting scholars at the entrance of the Academia Historica.

CCS News and Activities

■ The NCL Holds a Course for Foreign Scholars on the Use of Taiwan's Academic Resources, and Organizes a Visit to the Academia Historica

On the morning of April 11, 2018, the National Central Library (NCL) held a session on using academic resources for Taiwanese historical research, in order to assist visiting foreign scholars receiving financial support from the Center for Chinese Studies (CCS) or Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) in locating and using academic resources while conducting research in Taiwan. In the afternoon, the library arranged for the scholars to pay a visit to one of the institutions that collect academic resources, the Academia Historica.

Around 20 scholars participated in the session. Academia Historica staff explained the online collections system it uses for archive searches, database retrievals, and authorization management. An English guide was also arranged to introduce the institution's history, buildings and permanent exhibitions. During the visit, the scholars eagerly asked many questions. Besides expressing their

■ Taiwan Fellowship Scholars Travel to Hsinchu to Experience the Lives of Taiwan's Indigenous and Hakka Communities



The foreign visiting scholars pictured outside the entrance to the huntsman school.

To give visiting foreign scholars a deeper understanding of Taiwan's ethnic communities and their customs, on May 2, 2018, the Center for Chinese Studies (CCS) organized a day trip to Hsinchu for Taiwan Fellowship recipients to experience the lifestyles and customs of Taiwan's indigenous and Hakka communities. Accompanied by NCL deputy Director-General Wu Ying-mei and CCS colleagues, the scholars visited a huntsman school located on an Atayal tribal settlement, where they learned about cultural activities such as the Atayal bamboo cannon ritual and facial