

this ceremony and awarded trophies and prize to the top five of the design competition. The top five design models and images were on display at NCL from September 14 to 21, 2018. Posters showing the designs were also on display at the 6th exit of the Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall metro station so that the public could also witness this historic moment and view the incredible designs by many talented firms.



Director-General Tseng (left) sign a contract with BAF on behalf of NCL.

■ The Trademark of Cross-strait Cultural Exchange: The 5th Xuan Lan Forum Comes to a Successful Completion

The 5th Annual Xuan Lan Forum was co-hosted by National Central Library (NCL), Nanjing Library, and Shanghai Library, and was held at Nanjing Library on August 21, 2018. The theme for this year's forum is "Inheriting Civility, Learning and the Formation of Character." Eleven experts were invited to discuss the following five themes with attendees: "Public Reading and Social Progress," "Chinese Books and Cultural Heritage," "Children and Youth Reading and Changing Dispositions," "Media Evolution and Varied Reading," and "Wang Yang-ming's Way of Reading and the Success of the Philosophy of the Mind." Papers were presented in the five sessions, with over 250 representatives from

Mainland China and Taiwan in attendance.

From August 22-24, the representative delegation of Taiwan public libraries visited the Shanghai Library, Pudong Library, Xujiahui Library of Shanghai, Jinling Library, and Xuzhou Library, having discussions and exchanges with the library professionals in each of these libraries.

The Xuan Lan Forum started in 2014 through a collaborative effort by Nanjing Library and the NCL in Taiwan. Each year the forum is held in either China or Taiwan, with invitations to attend extended to head librarians, scholars, and experts from both sides of the strait. This forum provides a platform for scholarly exchange, long-term collaboration, and experience sharing. The aim is to concentrate the power of Chinese cultural heritage.



A group picture of the representative delegation of Taiwan public libraries at Xuan Lan Forum.

Events

■ The Exhibition on "Liang Dan-fong: Paintings of Formosa the Prosperous Island" held at the NCL

As a tribute to Prof. Dan-fong Liang's selfless dedication, the National Central Library (NCL) has held a special exhibition entitled "Liang Dan-fong: Paintings of Formosa the Prosperous Island" at the