

“Forest Reading Room,” “Love the Earth,” “Be Environmentally Conscious,” “the Book Market,” “Reading Bazaar,” and “Illustrated Books: Listen-Guess-Narrate,” etc. All were popular attractions that got attendees involved and ensured they enjoyed a festive reading feast.

### ■ NCL Holds Taiwan Lectures on Chinese Studies in UK

The NCL held two Taiwan Lectures on Chinese Studies in UK during November 2018. The sixth Taiwan Lecture on Chinese Studies of this year held on at SOAS Centre of Taiwan Studies in London on November 9, 2018. Prof. Heng Su of National Chengchi University’s College of Communication lectured on “Populism, Social Media and the 2018 Mayoral Election in Taiwan.” The lecture was moderated by the centre’s director, Prof. Dafydd Fell.



*Prof. Heng Su gives a lecture at SOAS Centre of Taiwan Studies in London.*

The seventh Taiwan lecture of 2018 was held at the University of Oxford on November 26. The director of the Institute of Chinese Literature and Philosophy at the Academia Sinica, Prof. Siao-chen Hu, delivered the lecture, which was on the theme “Representing Ethnicity in the Ming-Qing Literary Imagination.”

With hosting Taiwan Lectures on Chinese Studies is not only effectively promote domestic and international exchanges on research achievements in Taiwan studies and Chinese studies, but also deepens NCL’s relationship with the international Chinese studies community.



*Prof. Siao-chen Hu (2nd left) gives a lecture at University of Oxford.*

### ■ NCL and Leipzig University in Germany Co-hosted a Conference and Series of Events on “Daoism and Local Cults: Rethinking the Paradigms”

In an effort to promote a dialog between the world and Taiwan research on Daoism, National Central Library (NCL) and Leipzig University (LU) Library in Germany co-hosted a series of events at LU’s Bibliotheca Albertina from November 29 to December 1, 2018.

The eighth Taiwan Lecture on Chinese Studies of 2018 was held On November 29, Professor Fong-mao Lee of National Chengchi University, a world-renowned authority on Daoist studies, was invited to speak on “Expelling Plagues and ‘Patrolling on Behalf of Heaven’: Two Different Explanations of Plagues between Daoism and Confucianism.”

From November 30 to December 1, an international conference on “Daoism and Local Cults: Rethinking the Paradigms” was held. Invited to the conference were experts in history and ethnology from Germany, France, Taiwan, Japan, the U.S., UK, and Hong Kong, and thirteen papers were presented. During the conference, NCL also planned an exhibition entitled “The Way of Heaven: Daoism and Local Cults.” On display were more than one hundred publications from Taiwan on related themes and