

professor of Graduate Institute of Library & Information Studies at National Taiwan Normal University, lectured on “Building Public Library Systems for Collaboration and Sharing.”

At the end of the workshop, NCL Director-General Shu-hsien Tseng invited the Director of Taipei Public Library Shi-chang Hung, Director of Tainan Public Library Yu-chen Hung, Director of Kaohsiung Public Library Cheng-yi Pan, to participate in an informal discussion.



Director-General Tseng (front row 2nd right) leads Director Chen (front row 1st left) and workshop participants on a visit to Taipei's Hsin-Yi Family Indoor Playground and Children's Library.

■ The NCL Holds the 2019 Summer Reading Lecture Series on “Taiwan’s Food and Drink Culture in Literature”

The National Central Library (NCL) organized six lectures for summer 2019 which took place on Saturday afternoons between May and July. Six well-known scholars and authors were invited to deliver the series of special lectures, entitled “A Muse on the Tip of My Tongue: Taiwan’s Food and Drink Culture in Literature.” The lectures explored themes surrounding genealogy and change in the culture of food and drink in Taiwanese literature. These themes ranged from Taiwan’s affection for its traditional flavors, women’s food and drink, and food and drink in Taiwanese poetry to Hakka food and drink. Members of the public attending this feast had the opportunity to savor some of

Taiwan’s delicious delicacies and flavors through the medium of literature. The lectures in this series were as follows:

May 18 “Genealogy and Change in Taiwan’s Literary Food Culture.” Yu-chen Chen, Associate Professor, Department of Taiwan Culture, Languages and Literature, National Taiwan Normal University.

May 25 “Taiwan Flavor” Chen-fu Yeh (pen name Tung Chiao, Professor of Department of Chinese Literature, National Central University.

June 15 “The Ups and Downs of ‘Five-Willows House’ Fish: A History of Fish-Eating in Taiwan.” Pin-tsang Tseng, Associate Research Fellow of the Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica.

July 6 “A Banquet of Culinary Literature in Your Own Kitchen: Contemporary Taiwanese Women’s Prose on Food and Drink.” Hsiu-mei Lo, Associate Professor of Department of Chinese Literature, National Chung Hsing University.

July 13 “The Lurking Fish-Dragons Surge to Convey: Food and Drink in Taiwan’s Classical Poetry.” Mei-ling Yu, Professor of Department of Chinese Literature, Feng Chia University.

July 27 “Hakka Food and Drink in Literature.” Seo-gim Lo, Honorary Professor of Department of Hakka Language and Social Sciences, National Central University.



The summer reading lecture series have attracted enthusiastic participation of the audience.