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MESSAGE FROM THE LIBRARIAN

Welcome

Welcome to all new students and staff and welcome back to those of us returning from the Summer break. The 2011/12 academic year is our last before we move to the four year curriculum and we receive our additional intake of students. The Library is poised to face the challenges brought on by these impending events. The new academic year brings several changes for the Library, some of which are highlighted in this edition of Focus. Briefly, these include:

Main Library Renovations

The 3rd floor of the Main Library has been closed to public access over the summer and will remain this way until the renovation works are completed. The renovation will provide the Main Library with a rejuvenated and exciting learning environment that will provide spaces suitable to individual, quiet study as well as a variety of collaborative work spaces, both open and enclosed, and equipped with technologies that will enable effective collaboration.



An additional seating capacity of approximately 300 will be realized upon the completion of this renovation, due around the middle of November.

Additionally, the toilets in the Main Library are undergoing major improvements as part of the Centennial Campus Plan.

I appreciate that these renovations are the cause of some inconvenience through closed access and the noise generated but I am certain that the improvements we achieve will far outweigh this temporary inconvenience.

Further information can be found at <http://lib.hku.hk/premises/>.

Revised food and drink policy

From 12 September 2011, we have amended our food and drink policy in order to provide a pest free library, to protect our precious resources and to ensure a comfortable environment for all of our users. Food consumption will be limited to the Student Learning Centre on the ground floor of the Main Library. Water, in spill proof containers, may be consumed elsewhere in the Main Library. Our previous policy that provided varying degrees of tolerance according to a colour zoning system was just too confusing for our users and too difficult to enforce for our library staff. I am certain that the new policy will be more easily understood and enforced.

Upon the completion of the 3rd floor renovation, an additional space for food consumption, the Breakout zone, will also be made available.

Library web page

Our Library web page, <http://lib.hku.hk/>, has also been revised. Our motivation for doing this was two fold:

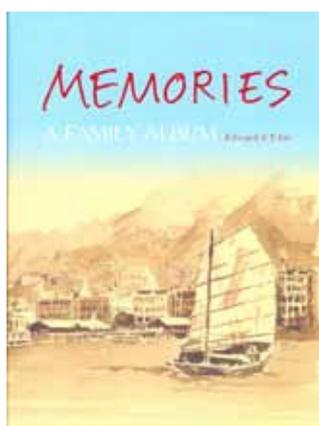
- a) to link our users to library resources and to information about the Library in as few clicks as possible; and.
- b) to ensure that our pages are consistent with Web Accessibility practices and are accessible so that people with disabilities can use them effectively.

Centenary Book Talk Series

We will soon recommence our Centenary Book Talk Series with a very special guest. Our University Council Chairman, Dr the Honorable Leong Che-hung, 梁智鴻醫生, will speak on Thursday October 13, 2011. Details of the book and the evening will be forthcoming soon.

Once again welcome and welcome back. I wish you all a successful academic year and I encourage you to make use of the resources that can be found in our libraries. You are invited to provide feedback on these initiatives or anything you think the Library can do to improve your success this year through our Comments and Suggestions web page, <http://lib.hku.hk/cgi-bin/comments/form.cgi>, or by emailing me directly at peters@hku.hk.

Peter E. Sidorko
University Librarian



University Life and Other Episodes

Theme Book: *Memories, A Family Album*

Speaker: Mr Edward Sing-tin Ho (何承天先生)

Moderator: Mr Peter Sidorko, HKU Librarian

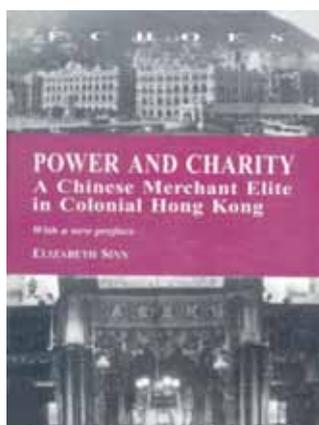
Date: 14 April 2011 (Thursday)

Time: 7:15 pm – 9:00 pm

Venue: Special Collections, 1/F Main Library, HKU

Language: English

Click here to revisit the book talk by Mr Edward Sing-tin Ho
<http://evideo.lib.hku.hk/play.php?vid=4497546>



Upcoming Centenary Book Talk

Power and Charity: A Chinese Merchant Elite in Colonial Hong Kong

Speaker: Dr the Honourable Leong Che-hung (梁智鴻醫生)

Moderator: Mr Peter Sidorko, HKU Librarian

Date: 13 October 2011 (Thursday)

Time: 7:15 - 9:00 pm

Language: English

Sustainability

18 April 2011 - 22 May 2011



i-dArt presents "Hands of Purpose: My Choice" Calligraphy Exhibition

「愛不同藝術」舉辦不一樣的書法展

23 May 2011 - 18 June 2011



Exhibition on Hong Kong Chinese Business: History and Documents

香港華人商業 —— 歷史和文獻

20 June 2011 - 23 July 2011



Heritage Trail : Walking Along With The City of Victoria, Hong Kong
香港深度行之維多利亞城歷史散步：一個城市的記憶

25 July 2011 - 15 August 2011



Welcome to University of Hong Kong Libraries

16 Aug 2011 - 2 Sept 2011

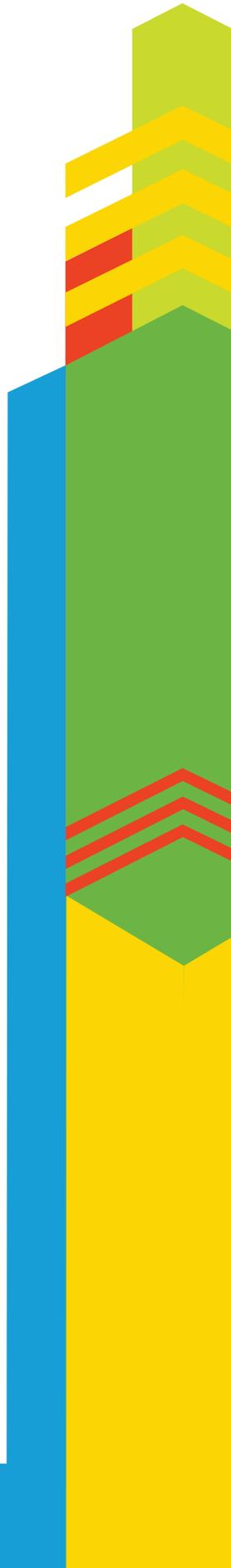


The Centenary of China's 1911 Revolution : Paintings and Woodcut Prints by Fong So
辛亥百年現代路：方蘇繪畫及木刻版畫

3 Sept 2011 - 15 Oct, 2011



Our Libraries has joined the Pathfinding Exhibition on Learning Opportunity at HKU which was jointly organised by the Academic Advising Office, Registry and CEDARS from 6/9/2011 to 7/9/2011 at Sun Yat-sen Place.





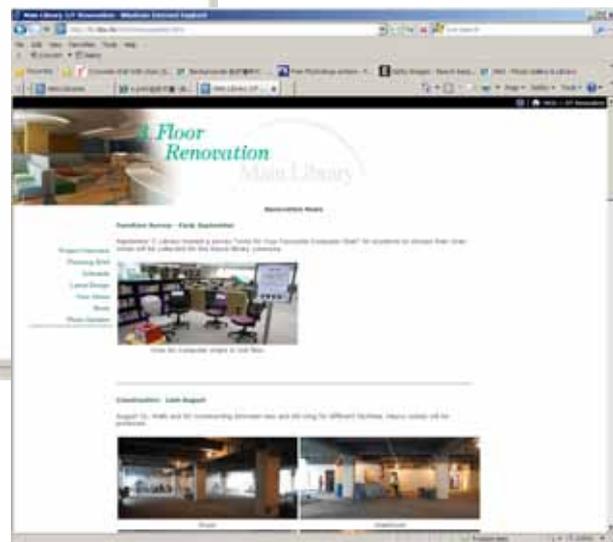
NEW AND NOTEWORTHY

3rd Floor Renovation

The renovation works are well underway. After removing the old fittings, the contractor is working hard to finish the ceiling works on time. Walls are being erected for the new group learning rooms and washrooms.

For more updates, please visit our webpage below.

<http://lib.hku.hk/mlr/index.html>



Update of renovation project for third floor of Main Library

From 7 to 18 September 2011, a survey was conducted to let library users vote for their favorite chair to be used on the new facility on third floor of Main Library. The votes and opinions collected will help the Libraries determine the design of chairs to be used in this major project as well as in other library locations.

Self-check service extends to Branch Libraries and AV & Reserve Collection, Main Library

After months of intensive tagging and preparation by library staff over the summer, the Libraries is pleased to announce the extension of self-check service to branch libraries including Dental, Education, Law, Medical, and Music, as well as the AV and Reserve Collection at the Main Library. The new self-check stations allow both books and audio-visual materials to be checked out and returned, and provide library users with a faster and more intuitive self-check experience.

Rave reviews have been pouring in from users at the Branches since the new system was soft launched during the second week of September.

Music Library



Education Library



Dental Library



Law Library



Medical Library

Happily satisfied first users of the new self-check system in Branch libraries

"It is surprisingly easy to use, and I am impressed how fast books could be checked out in the matter of a few seconds!"

"This is great especially during peak hours. We don't have to wait in queues now, thanks to this convenient station."

"Two thumbs up for the hassle-free operation!"

We invite you to stop by the library on your next visit to try out the new service.

SUPPORT TO THE LIBRARIES

Dr Tam Wah Ching's Cheque Presentation Ceremony
27 June 2011
University Lodge, HKU

Dr Tam Wah Ching has made a generous donation to support creating an innovative student learning area on the third floor of the Main Library.





KNOWLEDGE DISCOVERY

Library Course @ Main Library

Venue: e-Learning Lab, Room G-02, ground floor, Main Floor

Register at: <http://lib.hku.hk/general/instruction/>

1. Dragon, the HKUL Catalogue
03 October 2011 (1:00 pm-3:00 pm)
2. Endnote Workshop I
06 October 2011 (7:00 pm-9:00 pm)
08 October 2011 (9:00 am-11:00 am)
12 October 2011 (7:00 pm-9:00 pm)
14 October 2011 (2:00 pm-4:00 pm)
15 October 2011 (9:00 am-11:00 am)
15 October 2011 (2:00 pm-4:00 pm)
17 October 2011 (2:00 pm-4:00 pm)
18 October 2011 (7:00 pm-9:00 pm)
19 October 2011 (2:00 pm-4:00 pm)
22 October 2011 (9:00 am-11:00 am)
3. Endnote Workshop II
20 October 2011 (2:00 pm-3:30 pm)
21 October 2011 (2:00 pm-3:30 pm)
24 October 2011 (2:00 pm-3:30 pm)
31 October 2011 (2:00 pm-3:30 pm)
4. Endnote Workshop III
20 October 2011 (3:30 pm-5:00 pm)
21 October 2011 (3:30 pm-5:00 pm)
24 October 2011 (3:30 pm-5:00 pm)
31 October 2011 (3:30 pm-5:00 pm)
5. Finding Dissertations
11 October 2011 (7:00 pm-9:00 pm)
28 October 2011 (1:00 pm-3:00 pm)
6. Finding Journal Articles
13 October 2011 (1:00 pm-3:30 pm)
26 October 2011 (7:00 pm-9:30 pm)
7. ISI Web of Knowledge Training
11 October 2011 (1:00 pm-3:00 pm)
8. Key Chinese Databases
10 October 2011 (1:00 pm-3:00 pm)
9. Key English Databases
27 October 2011 (1:00 pm-3:30 pm)
10. Staff Orientation
04 October 2011 (2:30 pm-4:30 pm)
11. Turnitin Seminar
06 October 2011 (10:00 am-11:30 am)
19 October 2011 (6:30 pm-8:00 pm)
25 October 2011 (11:00 am-12:30 pm)
31 October 2011 (6:30 pm-8:00 pm)
12. Turnitin Workshop
18 October 2011 (2:30 pm-4:30 pm)
21 October 2011 (10:00 am-12:00 noon)



NOTABLE ACQUISITIONS

Delmar's nursing skills videos [videorecording]/Delmar Cengage Learning; Producer, Jerry Baber; Director, Rhonda Fabian. Clifton Park, NY : Delmar Cengage Learning, c2012.

3-DVD set contains over 400 minutes of step-by-step video and is the perfect clinical tool for learning and reviewing critical nursing skills.

**Wiley Encyclopedia of Operations Research and Management Science, 8 Volume Set
Hoboken, N.J. : Wiley, 2011.**

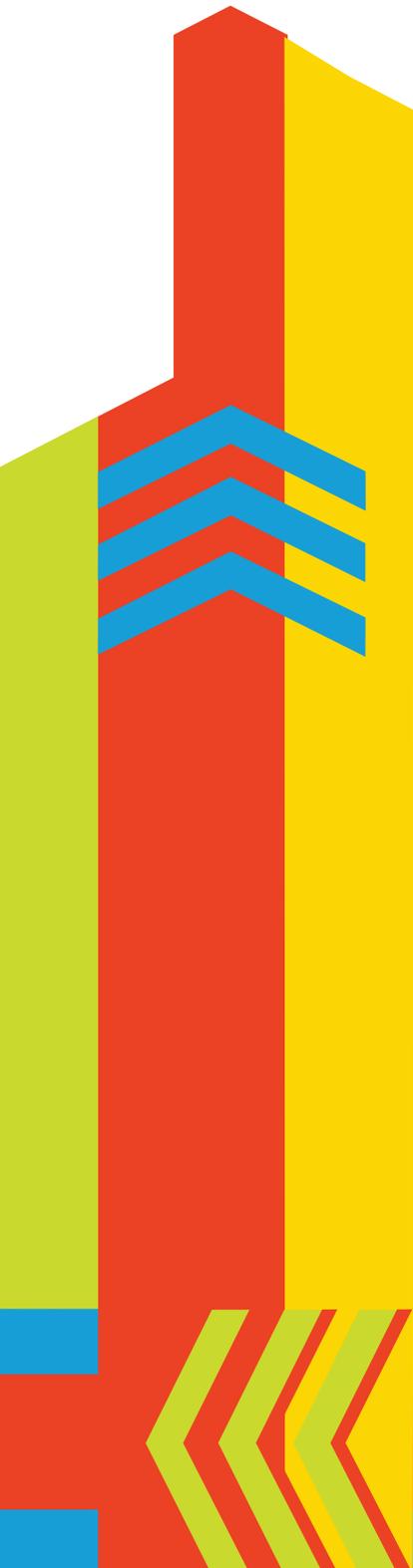
A multi-volume encyclopedia devoted to advancing the areas of operations research and management science.

**Jodidio, Philip.
Ando : complete works
[Art edition]
Koln ; London : Taschen, 2010.**

Limited to 300 numbered copies, presented in a matt-finish custom oakwood-box designed by the architect. Copy comes with an individual sketch hand-drawn and signed by Tadao Ando.

中國藏黑水城漢文文獻 / [塔拉, 杜建錄, 高國祥主編 ; 內蒙古自治區文物考古研究所, 寧夏大學西夏學研究中心, 甘肅省古籍文獻整理編譯中心編].
北京 : 國家圖書館出版社, 2008.

《中國藏黑水城漢文文獻》分10卷10冊, 共收錄原始文獻4213件, 其中社會文獻3980件, 宗教文獻233件, 均為全彩寫真印刷, 為研究宋夏金元歷史、宋元佛教史、古代醫藥史、絲路貿易史、文書制度史以及文獻版本學等提供了珍貴的原始資料。



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