

May 9, 2013

TO: Keri S. Botello, LAUC President

FR: Nick Robinson, Chair, LAUC Research & Professional Development Committee (R&PD)

RE: 2012/2013 LAUC Assembly Report of the Research & Professional Development Committee

On June 13, 2012 the LAUC Research and Professional Development Committee forwarded to the Office of the President for final approval original copies of grants applications received, and an executive summary of the proposals for research grants, mini-grants and presentation grants submitted for the 2012-13 fiscal year. A total of nineteen grants proposals were received for review. During the review process five proposals were withdrawn. Research grant funds available for the 2012-13 fiscal year were \$24,300.00 for librarians in the bargaining unit and \$8,100.00 for non-bargaining unit librarians. The Committee recommended funding grant proposals totaling \$22,971.00.

On August 1, 2012, the Chair of R&PD received a letter from Susan Carlson, Vice Provost Academic Personnel on behalf of the UC Office of the President supporting the recommendations by the Committee to fund fourteen grant proposals in the total amount of \$22,971.00.

### **Research Grant Award Recipients**

#### **A. Jade Albuero**

*Discovering Southeast Asia: An Assessment of Major Southeast Asian Studies Collections in the United States*

Campus: UCLA

Bargaining Unit: Member

Recommended/Funded: \$ 9,436.00 (revised from \$17,229.00)

From the abstract: Because Southeast Asian Studies (SEAS) is a young discipline (beginning in the 1960s), there are only fourteen libraries with comprehensive SEAS collections in the US. These institutions are sustaining significant decreases in collections budgets, making an already challenging area for collection development even more difficult. With so many of these libraries having to focus monies on their core disciplines, many SEAS materials are consequently not being collected. Therefore, it is necessary for these libraries to begin thinking about collaborative collection development in order to ensure that a wide breadth of research materials is available to support the research needs of SEAS scholars.

#### **Matthew Conner**

*The New Library: Seven Trends, Four Case Studies*

Campus: Davis

Bargaining Unit: Member

Recommended/Funded: \$ 1,420.00

From the Abstract: This book seeks to bridge theoretical and practical issues about the future of academic librarianship. The first half will summarize seven prominent trends of change in the profession in the areas of reference, personnel, technology, collections, buildings, campus roles, and library culture. While these trends have been discussed extensively, this book expects to contribute by providing an historical narrative for each that identified driving forces, identifies best practices and promising directions, and shows the complex intersections between the topics. It is hoped that this methodology will provide a useful framework for the vast and multiform discussion of the future of libraries.

#### **Adam Siegel**

*A Bibliography of Viticultural and enological Publications from the Former Yugoslavia*

Campus: Davis

Bargaining Unit: Member

Recommended/Funded: \$ 2,115.00

From the abstract: I am compiling a comprehensive bibliography of publications (both scholarly and non-scholarly) on viticulture and enology published in the former Yugoslavia (I have currently identified over 2000 citations.) My stay in the successor states of the former Yugoslavia will be devoted to consulting library collections, along with the department and institutes that specialize in viticulture. I plan to make my finished bibliography accessible electronically, so that the rich scholarly, scientific, and popular literature on grapes, wine, and wine-growing and making from the former Yugoslavia may better inform international scholarship: the University of California's open-access eScholarship platform for scholarly publishing is an excellent means of disseminating research to a global audience.

**Gwido Zlatkes**

*Underground Printing in communist Poland, 1976-1990*

Campus: Riverside

Bargaining Unit: Member

Recommended/Funded: \$ 5,000.00

This is a continuation and expansion of my research on underground printing and publishing in communist Poland, 1976-1990. In August-September 2011, as the Lasner Fellow in Printing History, I travelled to Poland to gather materials on independent printing under communism. I conducted interviews with prominent printers of the "Solidarity" movement and studied documentary materials. That trip resulted in a paper delivered at the American Printing History Association's annual conference, then turned into a scholarly article, a series of lectures, and an exhibit at Mills College. Yet the wealth of materials I brought back from Poland is far from being exhausted, and to pose even more questions that need answers. My follow up research will concentrate on clarification of many details and acquiring new information regarding the organization and logistics of printing, obtaining paper, ink and other printing components, distribution of printed matter, etc.

**Mini-Grant Award Recipients(maximum of \$500.00)**

**Su Chen**

Support for indexing of *Archival Resources of Republican China in North America: 1911-1949*

Campus: UCLA

Bargaining unit: Non-member

Recommended/Funded: \$500.00

From the abstract: I am respectfully submitting an application for a 2012 LAUC Mini-Grant in the amount of \$500.00 to partially pay for a professional to produce a general index for a book. The project that Dr. Chengzhi Wang, Chinese Studies Librarian of the East Asian Library at Columbia University Library and I are working on is entitled *Archival Resources of Republican China in North America: 1911-1949*. The project will be published by Columbia University Press. The book is a bilingual guide that highlights 350 archival resources on Chinese Republican era (1911-1949) that are held in various academic libraries and institutions in North America.

**Presentation Grant Award Recipients (maximum of \$500.00)**

**A. Jade Albuero**

Campus: UCLA

Bargaining unit: Member

Recommended/Funded: \$500.00

Title of panel presentation: *Beyond the Mainland: Serving Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders.*

Applicant is a co-presenter of panel discussion with other professional librarians. Panel selected by the Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association for presentation at the conference.

Conference: Joint Conference of Librarians of Color (JCLC), September 2012, in Kansas City, MO. The conference is sponsored by the five associations of ethnic librarians to focus on diversity issues in libraries, including how library services affect ethnic communities.

**Yolanda Blue**

Campus: Santa Barbara  
Bargaining unit: Member  
Recommended/Funded: \$500.00

Title of presentation: *Civic Literacy in a Diverse Southern California Community: Sustaining Local Political Knowledge*. Conference: International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) Satellite 2012 Pre-Conference: *Information for Civic Literacy*. Conference date is August 8-10 in Riga, Latvia. The preconference will explore the role of information professionals, educators and public actors in promoting civic literacy and informed public choices by citizens.

**Jeffra Bussmann**

Campus: Irvine  
Bargaining unit: Member  
Recommended/Funded: \$500.00

Title of poster presentation: *Review, Revise, and (re)Release: Updating a Science Information Tutorial for today's Students and tomorrow's Scientists*. Conference: Special Libraries Association annual Meeting, July 2012, in Chicago, IL.

**Christy Caldwell**

Campus: Santa Cruz  
Bargaining Unit: Member  
Recommended/Funded: \$500.00

Title of presentation: *Getting the Most Bang for No Buck*. Co-Presenter with Ann Hubble, UCSC. Conference: California and Academic Research Libraries (CARL) conference, April 5, 2012, San Diego, CA. California and Academic Research Libraries (CARL) is a state chapter of the national organization Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL). The poster session was a collaborative effort with the UCSC natural history museum to encourage students to display projects in the museum. QR codes enabled smart phone users to view videos of the displayed species behaviors and audio files of bird vocalization to add dimension to the exhibit.

**Su Chen**

Campus: UCLA  
Bargaining Unit: Non-member  
Recommended/Funded: \$500.00

Title of presentation: *Lyon and His Comrades: Indigenize Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) in China 1895-1925*. Conference: Annual Conference of the Association for Asian Studies (AAS) in Toronto, Canada, March, 2012.

The conference is an important venue for faculty members, librarians, and researchers in Asian Studies.

**Harrison Dekker**

Campus: Berkeley  
Bargaining unit: Member  
Recommended/Funded: \$500.00

Title of presentation: *An Introduction to R*. Conference: European Library Automation Group, Palma de Mallorca, Spain, May 2012. The presentation will be a workshop, one of three as part of the development of an article on library applications of statistical programming.

**Ann Hubble**

Campus: Santa Cruz  
Bargaining Unit: Member  
Recommended/Funded: \$500.00

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**Gayatri Singh**

Campus: San Diego  
Bargaining Unit: Member  
Recommended/Funded: \$500.00

Title of presentation: *Calling Yesterday, Testing Today: Starting a Text a Librarian Reference Service*.  
Conference: American Library Association Annual Conference, 2012, Anaheim, CA, June, 2012.  
Presentation discussed the pilot project underway at San Diego covering implementation, staffing, marketing and evaluation of service.

**Lisa Spagnolo**

Campus: Davis  
Bargaining Unit: Member  
Recommended/Funded: \$ 500.00

Title of presentation: *Give a Little Bit: Using Lean Tools to Create Efficiencies in Acquisitions and Beyond*.  
Conference: Charleston conference: Issues in Book and Serial Acquisitions, November, 2011, Charleston, SC.

The presentation explored topics related to workflow analysis and design based upon a business process improvement effort at UC Davis. A team was formed to examine ordering processes with the goal of designing techniques for improvement.

**General Committee Charge:**

For 2012-13, the Committee is charged with fulfilling its standing charge, Article VIII. Section 1.e.2 (approved by UCOP March 23, 2009):

1. Solicit and review research proposals submitted to the Universitywide Research Grants for Librarians Program by LAUC members and recommending funding of proposals to the Office of the President.
2. Develop, monitor, and revise, as needed, procedures for carrying out the review of research proposals.
3. Develop guidelines for application to the Universitywide Research Grants for Librarians Program and recommend revisions as needed.
4. Advise the President and the Executive Board on issues related to research and professional development for librarians and address other subjects at the request of the President.

**Specific Charges for 2012-13**

Last year, the Committee once again offered LAUC Mini-Grants and Presentation Grants in addition to traditional Research Grants.

1. Review the recommendations and communications from last year's committee or other group identified by the LAUC President to identify specific issues and concerns, suggest, and implement, wherever possible, procedures to clarify and simplify the Mini & Presentation Grant proposal procedures.
2. Continue to monitor its experience with the three different grant types, report any issues, concerns or problems, and recommend possible solutions.
3. Collect and post outstanding grant reports from 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012 grant recipients.

**Summary of action items to date:**

- Revised and distributed 2012-13 Call and Calendar to the membership on October 23, 2012.
- Use confidential website for distribution of proposals to members.
- Currently in final review stage of process of submitted proposals to be funded 2013-14 fiscal year.

**Pending action items:**

- Contact previous Research Grand Award Recipients (2009, 2010, 2011, 2012) to determine the current status of the research projects and as necessary solicit a final report or final project as required in Section IV. J. and Section VI of the Guidelines specifically.

**Names of Committee Members:** Lisa Ngo (B), Jared Campbell (D), Linda Murphy (I), David Gilbert (LA), Susan Borda (M), Michael Yonezawa (R), Duffy Tweedy (SD), David Owen (SF), Elaine McCracken (SB), Christy Caldwell, (SC)

Respectfully submitted, Nick Robinson  
Chair, LAUC Research & Professional Development Committee 2012-13