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Newsletter: December 2020



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MESSAGE FROM THE LIBRARIAN



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University Librarian

While the global pandemic challenged all aspects of the Libraries operations, the pages in this issue of FOCUS demonstrate that, despite these disruptions, we have been extremely busy in developing our collections, facilitating access and attempting to provide a “business as usual” approach, even though this year has been anything but.

Our responses to the pandemic were reviewed on a regular basis (at least weekly), where we would consider the services and facilities we would provide, spatial configurations, hours of service and the degree of patron access. This constant review was enabled through an extensive and consultative communication network that allowed input from all of our service units, including those not directly dealing with the public. Library staff should be congratulated on their collaborative and innovative approaches that was always directed by our commitment to HKU’s primary academic and related activities.

While the pandemic was foremost in our minds, it did not alter progress on a number of key developments, many of which are reflected in these pages yet are too numerous for me to document here.

We acquired a major donation for the Fung Ping Shan Library being the *Dr Luo Zhenfu Collection* and celebrated its receipt with an exhibition of just some

of the pieces. Dr Luo Zhenfu, 羅禎符太醫 was a former imperial physician and author of 《癆病述要》. The collection acquired is highly diverse in nature ranging from Chinese medicine prescriptions, design drafts of the brand and products from Dr Luo’s medicine business 生生堂 in the 1930s, unique portraits of Dr Luo and his family as well as many valuable collectables including paintings and calligraphy. The new collection adds to the 2003 collection of hundreds of thread-bound publications in Chinese medicine to the School of Chinese Medicine which were transferred to the Libraries some years later for better preservation. This new collection is truly extraordinary in its range, depth and eclectic nature.

We launched the HKU Data Repository – *DataHub: The University of Hong Kong Institutional Data Repository* – powered by Figshare. The *DataHub*, was officially launched in August 2020. It provides a data repository for research data and scholarly outputs produced by researchers and students in HKU and their collaborators and is the first of its kind in Hong Kong academia.

In collaboration with the Centre for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning (CETL), Information Technology Services (ITS) and Technology Enhanced Learning Initiative (TeLi), and in response to the University’s most recent Review of E-Learning, we launched the *HKU*

E-learning Resource Hub <https://elearning-resource.hku.hk>. The Hub enables search and browse functions for electronic resources, online tools, guides, courses, equipment, learning spaces and departmental services in support of teaching and learning. The Hub will continue to evolve as it becomes the major source for all resources, services and facilities that support e-learning.

Extensive work, in terms of processing, preservation and digitization was undertaken on a number of key collections and other activities including:

Cantonese Opera Clay Print Libretto Collection
粵劇泥印本特藏

Szeto Wah Collection

Frank Fischbeck Collection (formerly the FormAsia Collection), including a soft launch exhibition *Hong Kong Historical Photos from the Frank Fischbeck Collection* both in the Main Library exhibition space as well as online at <https://www.ffchk2020.hku.hk>.

Dr Osler Thomas Collection

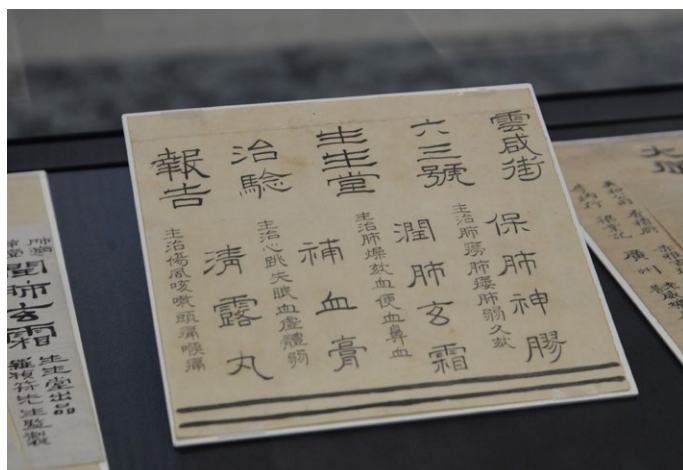
The Kotewall Collection

The Oxford and Cambridge Society of Hong Kong Records

Zhao Yutian and Family Collection 招雨田特藏

A new, revamped library website <https://lib.hku.hk/> was launched following extensive feedback and consultation sessions.

So while the pandemic challenged us to think and behave differently, this issue of FOCUS demonstrates that even under adverse conditions our Libraries continues to perform, thrive and innovate.



Collectible item from *Dr Luo Zhenfu Collection*

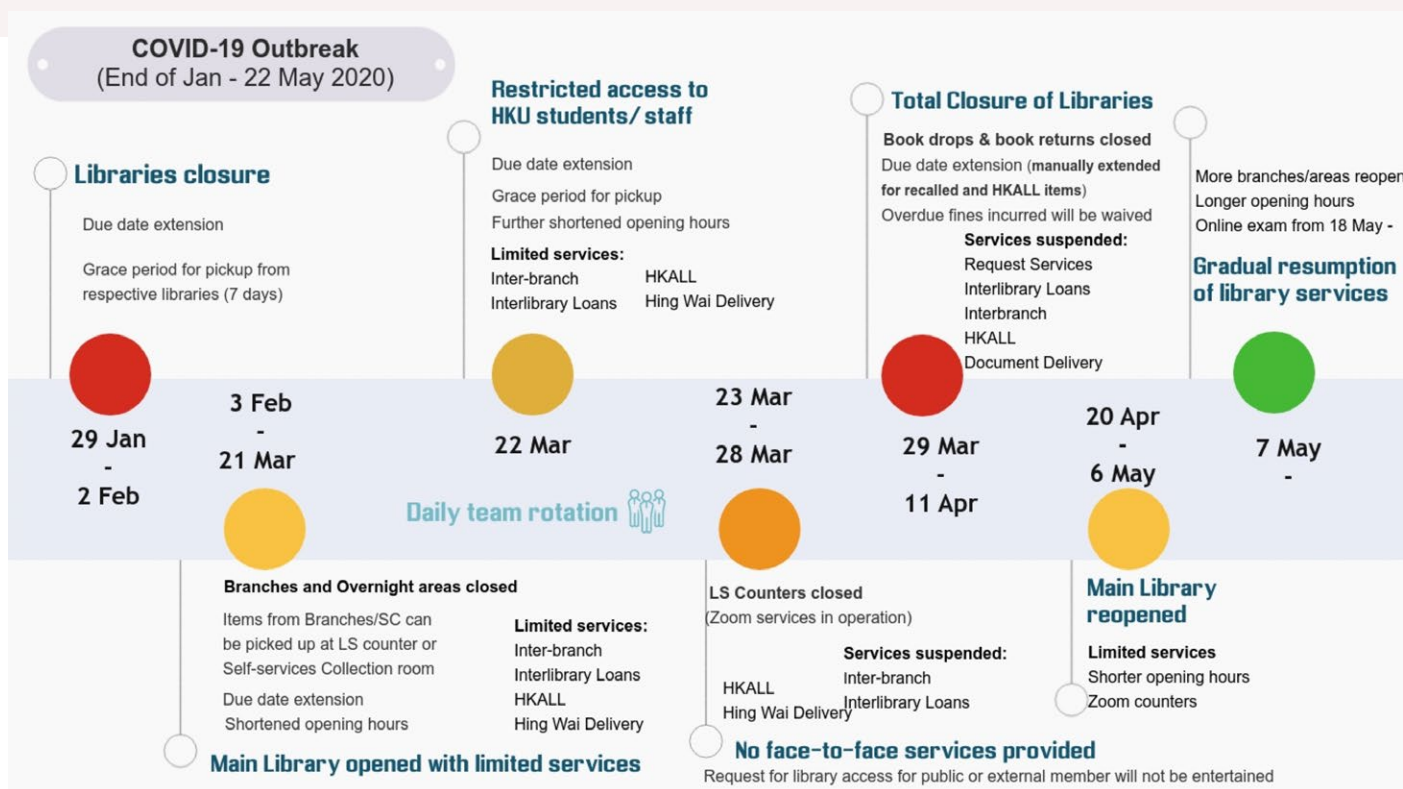


Hong Kong Historical Photos from the Frank Fischbeck Collection at the Ingenium in Main Library

THE HKU LIBRARIES VERSUS THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Steps taken by the Libraries

The Libraries took several measures in light of the COVID-19 pandemic as illustrated in the partial timeline below.



**COVID-19
YOUR SAFETY,
OUR CONCERN**

What we have been doing to ensure the safety of readers in the time of COVID-19

Want to know more?
Scan the QR CODE for details and resources.
lib.hku.hk/covid19

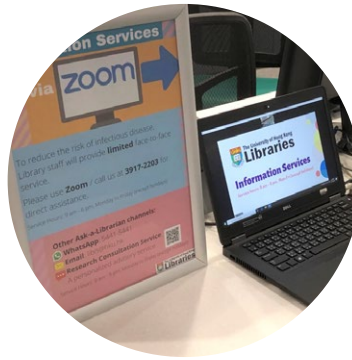
- Quarantine returned books and materials before being reshelfed or otherwise processed.
- Face-to-face interactions are limited by asking borrowers to return books at designated locations rather than handing them to a staff member at a service counter.
- Inquiries are handled via WhatsApp, emails, Zoom and phone calls.
- Seating in the Libraries has been rearranged to allow greater distance between individuals.
- Surfaces are disinfected regularly.
- All persons entering the library (including staff) undergo a temperature check and must wear a mask properly.
- Frequent hand washing is encouraged, and hand sanitizer is provided.
- Staff and visitors should not enter the building if feeling unwell.

At minimum weekly, communication updates were shared with readers on library status and limited services. Libraries also provided information on how returned library material was handled.

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On the physical front, the Libraries arranged for protective partitions and Zoom sessions at the Information Counter on Level 3 and Lending Services counter at the 2/F main entrance. Temperature screening was performed at all library entrances and partitions were setup to separate patrons.



Zoom Support services via Zoom



Temperature screening the Main Library and Yu Chun Keung Medical Library

Partitions setups:



At the Technology Zone on Level 3



4/F PC area



5/F Fung Ping Shan Library



Yu Chun Keung Medical Library Service Counter

Resources on COVID-19
 Research, medical/health resources, thematic collections by publishers, links to global health and medical websites, grants, updates and local information.
<https://libguides.lib.hku.hk/med/COVID-19>



WELCOME TO THE MAIN LIBRARY

For the protection and safety of Library patrons and staff, the following preventive measures are enforced:

1.  Temperature screening before entering the Main Library
2.  All Library patrons must wear a surgical mask
3.  Keep hands clean at all times. Perform hand hygiene frequently, especially before touching your eyes, mouth or nose, before handling food or eating, after going to toilet, after touching public installations such as escalator handrails, elevator control panels or door knobs, or when hands are contaminated by respiratory secretion after coughing or sneezing.
4.  Wash hands with liquid soap and water, and rub for at least 20 seconds. Then rinse with water and dry.
5.  Cover your nose and mouth with tissue paper when sneezing or coughing. Dispose of soiled tissues into a lidded rubbish bin, then wash hands thoroughly.
6.  Maintain social distancing

Extended facility access for the Class of 2020

Following the [President's announcement](#) of the extension of facility access for the Class of 2020, we are pleased to let you know that you will be able to use your HKU Student Card for access to the facilities below until 31 August 31 2021.

LIBRARIES	ACCESS FOR CLASS OF 2020	WEBLINK FOR DETAILS
	Including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Borrowing Privileges (HKU Graduate: 48 books, 6 audio-visual materials) • Remote Access to SELECTED electronic resources which may be changed by the University Libraries without prior notice. (click to see the list) • uPrint printing service • PCs and study tables 	Equivalent to Circle of Friends (Platinum) https://lib.hku.hk/cof/ For updated access policy and service level, please refer to: https://lib.hku.hk/index.html

THE LIBRARY NEWS



LENDING SERVICES

Library User Survey 2019 – Prize Presentation

The Libraries conducted the Library User Survey 2019 from 4 to 17 November 2019; a helpful tool for the Libraries to understand how patrons evaluate our wide range of resources, services, and facilities in terms of importance and performance. About 6,533 participated in the survey.

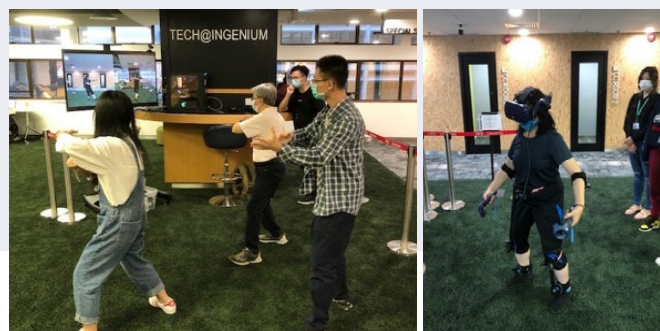
A prize presentation for lucky draw winners was held on 23 January 2020.

The sponsored prizes included an iPad Pro for first place, an iPad for the runner up and AirPods with wireless charging case going to the third-place winner.

Many thanks for all the participation!

Intergenerational Participatory Co-Design Project

The Intergenerational Participatory Co-Design Project (IPCP) is a teaching and development grant (TDG) co-ordinated by the CommonCore, Faculty of Education, Sau Po Centre on Ageing and the Libraries. The project ended in December 2020. The participants of various generations engaged in different projects, and the events were mainly held in the Libraries. The different projects explored the notion and study of the feasibility of the participatory design, which aims to involve participants of any learning context as co-creators of both the learning process and its learning outcome. They have participated in Yim Tian Chai cultural preservation projects, Tai Chi Virtual Reality project and Shanghai Street Augmented Reality (AR) projects.



Tai Chi practice at Tech@Ingenium with the assistance of video and VR motion capture in May 2020.



Intergenerational Participatory Co-Design Project workshops at Libraries – Participants in November 2019

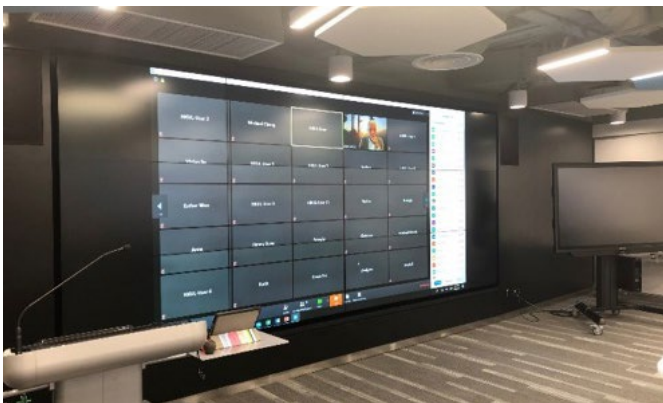
The workshops include the design of board games, Augmented Reality/Virtual Reality/360 image, mindfulness and design thinking. They are grouped into different groups and sharing on some projects.

LENDING SERVICES

Library Virtual Reality Class for the Faculty of Education amid the Pandemic in March 2020



The MLIM6202 (Master of Science in Library and Information Management) class was held virtually and hosted at the Digital Interactive Lab, Library Innovation Centre, Ingenium, Main Library in March 2020.



First annual planning day at Zoom in March 2020

Over one hundred Library colleagues participated in the annual planning day on Zoom. It was the first-ever zoom mode of the Library’s annual planning day. The Library senior management shared the strategy and direction of the Libraries with Library staff.

Sustainability Development Goals Workshop in November 2020



The Sustainability Development Goals (SDGs) workshop, Teaching by Design was held on 7 November 2020. A total of forty-nine participants attended the zoom workshop. The workshop was a collaborative effort by the HKU CommonCore, Libraries, Sustainability Office, academic staff from the Faculty of Architecture and the Faculty of Business and Economics, HKUST, and the Tsz Shan Institute. The workshop covered a range of topics on sustainability, including breakout sessions with small group discussions followed by a report sharing from each group.

The workshop was well received with many positive feedbacks from the participants.

“I am glad that I could join this to update my knowledge. My colleagues said the program was very good, and this was the first time they joined such a program. They feel thankful to participate in the program.”

Revisit the workshop at <https://lib.hku.hk/teachbydesign/sdg2020.html>.

New Library SDG website

With the collaborative efforts for the workshop, the Libraries created a new SDG website (<https://www.hkulsdg.hku.hk>). The website highlights the seventeen Goals set by the United Nations. Within each of the clickable Goals, an SDG banner was designed to share detailed information about the Goal and how HKU Faculties, departments, sections and on-campus vendors support the effort.

The Libraries also added a Reading List tab to showcase books and articles related to each Goal. The @HKU tab highlights SDG related information across the University and the Libraries will add an SDG@HK shortly to highlight SDGs in Hong Kong. Future workshops, exhibitions and events are in the planning stages to help achieve the seventeen goals by 2030 set by the United Nations.



HKU Libraries and SDGs Sustainable Development Goals

Home Reading Lists Workshops Exhibitions @HKU Contact Us



Click on each SDG icon to learn more and how HKU supports SDGs.



Visit the Library's new SDG website
<https://www.hkulsdg.hku.hk>

Frank Fischbeck Collection

On 10 December 2020, the Libraries held a Zoom press conference to introduce the Frank Fischbeck Collection.

Peter Sidorko, University Librarian, Frank Fischbeck, managing director, FormAsia Books, Dr Peter Cunich, Associate Professor, Department of History, HKU, and Professor John Carroll, Department of History,

HKU spoke at the press conference to share various aspects of the Collection and its acquisition.

Mr Sidorko started the press conference by introducing the Collection, and its background and how the Libraries is focused on the storage, preservation, cataloguing, digitizing and maintaining the Collection.

Frank took to the mic to shared the background of FormAsia books, the Collection, his photographic journey and stories behind some of the photos he had taken.

Dr Cunich and Dr Carroll added the immense vantage of having the Collection at the Libraries and a bit of history on acquiring it.

For society and academia to utilize the Collection, the [Digital Repository@HKUL](#) has been updated to include over 3000 images from the Frank Fischbeck Collection with additional photos added over the next several months. Additional information is located in the Special Collections section below.



時任英國首相戴卓爾夫人（前左二）回歸前訪港，為青洲幹線開幕主禮。訪港期間，佢同港督彭定康（前左三）、政務司長陳方安生（右二）共膳。圖左一係美國前國務卿舒爾茲。（香港大學提供）

港大獲贈 24000 張歷史照 網上展出

有人形容呢個時代正置身一場「記憶同遺忘嘅鬥爭」，香港大學圖書館早前獲贈一批共 24,000 張香港近代史照片，包括近距離拍攝英女王伊利沙白二世上世紀 70 年代訪港期間嘅活動，同英國撤出香港前嚟港督府嘅晚宴嘉賓等。港大圖書館正舉辦網上「Frank Fischbeck 香港歷史照片珍藏」展覽，分 6 個主題同公眾分享部分照片，包括「香港淪陷及重光」、「六七暴動」、「邁向 1997 之途」等。

分六大主題 部分照片從未曝光

港大獲贈嘅照片記錄香港由 1860 年

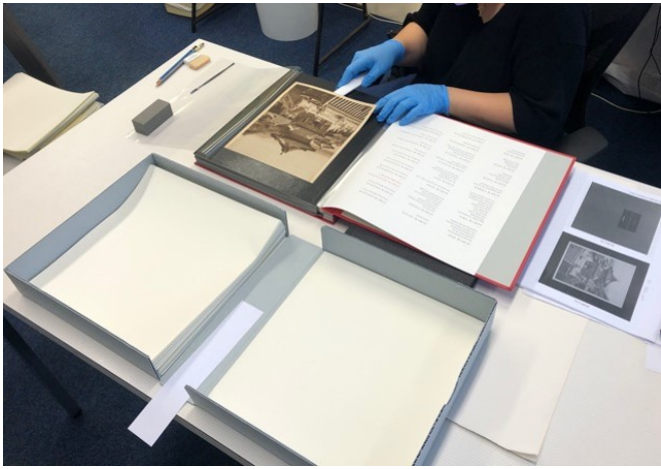
代至 1990 年代末嘅重要時刻，包括二次大戰期間香港被轟炸、淪陷，日軍佔領、投降、重光等；以至 1960 年代暴動、1997 年回歸等，部分更從未公開展現過。有份拍攝攝影師 Frank Fischbeck 話，「鏡頭最難捕捉嘅都係同政治有關嘅影像。經驗話我知，衣著要符合場合，言行舉止要似一個出席活動嘅人，唔好一眼就被睇穿係記者或攝影記者。要盡量融入觀眾當中，毫不顯眼」。港大圖書館會將照片分類收納，目前已經處理好大約 3000 張照片。

展覽網址：www.ffchh2020.hku.hk/

Ming Pao Daily News Clipping on 11 December 2020

On Hong Kong Free Press (15 December 2020):
<https://hongkongfp.com/2020/12/15/hkfp-lens-hku-shares-3000-images-of-colonial-hong-kong-from-the-frank-fischbeck-collection/>

Preservation and Conservation

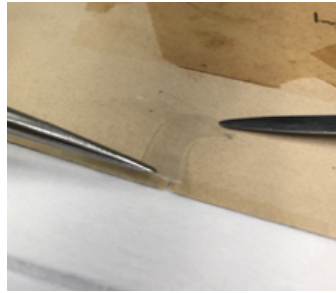


HKU Library's Preservation and Conservation staff carefully remove photos from the albums and write down accession number on the back of each photo.

Preservation Stabilizing Treatment



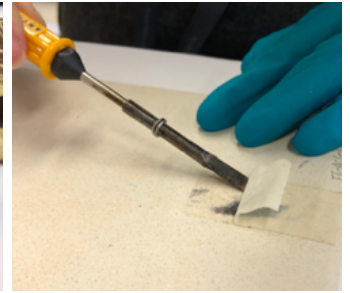
Mending a tear



Mending a tear



Removing a piece of tape that obscures the image



Removing a piece of old self-sticking tape piece of tape that obscures the image



The verso of the tear: before treatment



The verso of the tear: after treatment

Detail of a photo showing the tear



Digitize the photos



LEARNING AND RESEARCH SERVICES

Launch of HKU Data Repository – DataHub

The University of Hong Kong institutional data repository – DataHub, powered by Figshare, has been officially launched in August 2020. It is a comprehensive data repository for research data and scholarly outputs produced by researchers and students in HKU and their collaborators.

DataHub provides a secured platform for HKU staff and students to get credits from citations of their data, preserve data securely, build portfolios for their own or faculty, and collaborate with others on projects, etc. HKU members could enjoy 100GB private storage initially on DataHub, with possible extension by request.

Speaker from Figshare, Ms Megan Hardeman, was invited to deliver a guest seminar regarding DataHub on 11 November, 2020. The seminar was held via Zoom successfully and positive feedback was received from our staff and students.

Please visit DataHub at <https://datahub.hku.hk/> and explore the guidelines at <https://libguides.lib.hku.hk/researchdata/datahub> for more information.

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DATAHUB
THE HKU INSTITUTIONAL DATA REPOSITORY

Powered by figshare

- GET CREDITS
- SECURE
- PORTFOLIO
- COLLABORATION
- COLLECTION
- PRIVATE SHARING
- OPEN & RESTRICTED ACCESS
- 100GB PRIVATE STORAGE

DataHub <https://datahub.hku.hk>

DataHub LibGuide

Contact us: researchdata@hku.hk

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Build your Data Management Plan

Web Scraper

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RESEARCH DATA WORKSHOPS
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Check details and register at:
<https://hub.hku.hk/researchdata/help.htm>

Contact us: researchdata@hku.hk

LEARNING AND RESEARCH SERVICES

Research Data Workshops 2020

A series of research data workshops were held from 10 to 13 November, 2020 on Zoom and in the E-Learning Lab of the Main Library. This was the first time the Libraries organized training workshops and guest seminars concerning software and tools that could assist HKU members in managing, collecting, analyzing and visualizing their research data.

The research data workshops covered a range of topics, including the HKU research data management requirements, data publishing, web scraping, data cleaning and analysis, as well as data visualization.

Among these workshops, face-to-face sessions of the introductory workshops for Web Scraper and Alteryx were held successfully with a live broadcast on Zoom. Positive feedback was received from participants on both channels and it is very encouraging for us to explore effective initiatives in facilitating learning under the critical situation caused by the widespread of COVID-19 this year.

Please stay updated with us for our future research data workshops!

LEARNING AND RESEARCH SERVICES

Open Access Week 2020 @HKU

OPEN International **ACCESS WEEK**

OCTOBER 19 - 25, 2020

OA Publishing @HKUL

Open Data @HKUL

HKU Scholars Hub

More information on:

OA LibGuide

DataHub

Scholars Hub

To celebrate the International Open Access Week 2020, the HKU Libraries would like to take this opportunity to provide you with a quick overview of the initiatives currently taken by the Libraries in support of Open Access (OA).

OA Publishing @ HKU

In order to facilitate Open Access publications at the university, we have signed agreements with publishers to offer APC discount for publications by HKU authors. Click [here](#) to find out more.

Open Data @ HKUL

In addition to your publications, the Libraries now provides the data repository for making your research data available in Open Access – DataHub, the HKU institutional data repository. For more details, visit and explore the repository at <https://datahub.hku.hk> and related guidelines at <https://libguides.lib.hku.hk/researchdata/datahub>.

HKU Scholars Hub

The HKU Scholars Hub is the HKU current research information system (CRIS). The Hub collects, preserves, and disseminates in digital form, the intellectual output of HKU. It provides open access to

items including HKU theses and postprints pending publisher's policy.

Find out more at <https://hub.hku.hk/>

Database of the Month – ExamBase

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DATABASE OF THE MONTH

ExamBase

HKU past examination paper database
<https://tinyurl.com/hkulexambase>

Looking for HKU past examination papers? ExamBase contains examination papers from all faculties at the University of Hong Kong. It provides easy access to selective full-text of past examination papers for all HKU students. Access the database at: http://find.lib.hku.hk/record=HKU_IZ61512022570003414

The Libraries is promoting featured resources, such as subject-specific databases or digitized collections, in our library blog which may be suitable for research and study. Visit the blog often for different resources: <https://libguides.lib.hku.hk/blog>

For enquiries, please feel free to contact us via email:

HKU DataHub: researchdata@hku.hk
HKU Scholars Hub: hub@lib.hku.hk

NEW DIGITAL COLLECTION

Cantonese Opera Clay Print Libretto Collection
粵劇泥印本特藏

<https://digitalrepository.lib.hku.hk/collection/3r079s040>



Cantonese opera was declared a UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity in 2009, making it the first item of the world intangible cultural heritage in Hong Kong. The recognition of Cantonese opera as an important art form has brought about the concerns of preserving its unique cultural and historical content. Among the preservation concerns, clay print librettos of Cantonese opera are undoubtedly a special legacy that deserves attention.

The Library has collected about 200 volumes (in 40 titles) of Cantonese opera clay print librettos, they were kindly donated by Ms Fong Yim Fang (芳艷芬女士). To preserve the essence of Cantonese opera scripts, the Library has digitized the 200 volumes of clay print librettos and made the images publicly available through a new digital collection named "Cantonese Opera Clay Print Libretto Collection

粵劇泥印本特藏' (<https://digitalrepository.lib.hku.hk/collection/3r079s040>).

Of the 40 Cantonese opera titles ranging from 1948 to 1956, 21 titles were composed by the eminent playwright Mr Tang Disheng (唐滌生先生). Mr Tang's clay-print librettos are the most original version of scripts, they are the classic primary materials of Cantonese opera. The digitized librettos not only provide important source for studying Mr Tang's literary works but also present a platform for Cantonese opera communities and enthusiasts to appreciate the rare clay-print scripts which were used by renowned Cantonese opera artists, such as Xinmashizeng (新馬師曾), Fang Yanfen (芳艷芬), Liang Xingbo (梁醒波), Xue Juexian (薛覺先), Luo Yanqing (羅艷卿) etc., and to see the ways the artists marked and made comments on their own scripts.



SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Szeto Wah Collection Website

by Rebecca Tam



With the support of the HKU Knowledge Exchange Fund 2019/20 granted by the University Grants Committee, a Szeto Wah Collection website was launched in September 2020. The website aims to make the Szeto Wah Collection discoverable and accessible by the HKU community, researchers and the public. The Collection received in 2012 includes manuscripts, documents, letters, etc., creating a substantial collection for research on Hong Kong and education history. Over time additional processed items will be added to the website in stages. Learn more about the Collection at <https://www.szetowahcollection.hku.hk/>

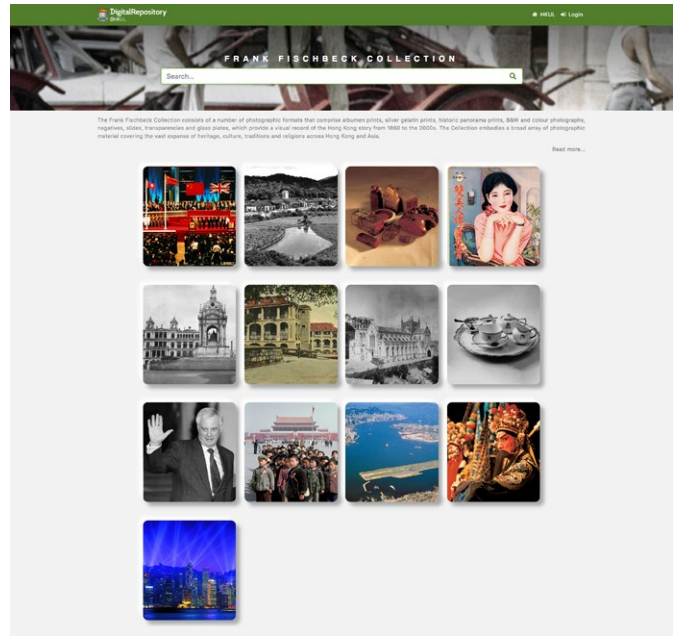
The official launch of the Frank Fischbeck Collection in the Digital Repository @ HKUL

by Ally Cheung

The Libraries has officially launched the first batch of the Frank Fischbeck Collection of nearly 3000 digital images, classified into 13 sub-collections. You are most welcome to explore the new Collection at Digital Repository: <https://digitalrepository.lib.hku.hk/collection/bn99gf12q>

The Frank Fischbeck Collection consists of a number of photographic formats that comprise albumen prints, silver gelatin prints, historic panorama prints, B&W and colour photographs, glass plates... which provide a visual record from 1860 to the 2000s. The Collection, based on the FormAsia Books archive

which the Libraries acquired in September 2019, embodies a broad array of photographic material covering the vast expanse of heritage, culture, traditions and religions across Hong Kong and Asia.



More Archival and Manuscript Collections Available for Use

by Katherine Choi



Dr Osler Thomas Collection The Collection recounts the experience of Dr Osler Lister Thomas (譚藹勵) during World War II and his later years. The Collection consists of collected maps, newspapers during the Japanese Occupation, service badge and certificates, a sworn statement to the War Crimes Commission,

a funeral programme book and other materials. Dr Thomas enrolled in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corp as a member of the Field Ambulance before Japan invaded Hong Kong. In 1942, he escaped to Free China and joined the British Army Aid Group (BAAG) where he served as a Medical Officer. For a more secure life for his family, he migrated to Australia in the 1960s.

The Kotewall Collection The Kotewall Collection comprises of over 2,200 items including letters, reports, manuscripts, speeches, news clippings, photos and artefacts documenting the life and work of Sir Robert



Hormus Kotewall (羅旭龢), a businessman, civil servant and legislator of Hong Kong in the early 20th century, and his daughter, Dr Bobbie Kotewall (羅怡基), a renowned educational leader who was the Principal of St. Paul's Co-educational College during 1952-1984. This precious Collection covers

topics of the General Strike during 1925-1926, the Japanese Occupation, public services and HKU-related occasions. Additional materials include information about their private lives inclusive of an autobiography, diaries and private library's collections.

The Oxford and Cambridge Society of Hong Kong Records



Established in the 1970s, the Oxford and Cambridge Society of Hong Kong (香港牛津劍橋會) was an

alumni association founded on the basis to connect graduates and more recently current students of Oxford University and the University of Cambridge residing in Hong Kong. This collection composes of correspondences, meeting minutes, circulars, promotional leaflets, Annual Dinner programme books and other administrative documents recording the operations and events of the Society during 1974-2007. A highlight of the collection includes a series about the engagement of the Society in the Campaign for Oxford launched by the Oxford University in 1988.

Zhao Yutian and Family Collection 招兩田特藏

Born in Nanhai County, Guangdong, Zhao Yutian (招兩田; 1829-1923) was a notable businessman in the late Qing period and the early Republican Era, who later came to Hong Kong and established the trading company Kwong Mou Tai (廣茂泰). Zhao had held the presidency for Tung Wah Hospital in 1873, 1879 and 1889. The Zhao Yutian and Family Collection consists of printed materials and photos related to him and his family, including memoirs, account books, architectural drawing and photos.



Special Collections houses a wide range of resources covering every aspect of Hong Kong. Library patrons are welcome to browse our Archival & Manuscript Collections webpage (<https://lib.hku.hk/hkspc/manuscript.html>) for details. Consultation of archival & manuscript collections is available from Monday to Friday by appointment. Please send the request to Special Collections at libspeco@hku.hk.

Upgrade of microform scanners in Special Collections

by Ally Cheung



In this academic year, Special Collections is upgrading six Microform Scanners with the following enhancements:

- Clearer image display with the e-ImageData 26 Megapixel High-Performance Camera
- 7x-105x wide range optical zoom to cover all film magnifications, to read the smallest text and examine fine details
- Stable performance for viewing microform materials
- Easier to load microfilm with newly installed parts

With the upgrade anticipated completion in February 2021, patrons should have a better experience in viewing microform materials.

NEW SERVICES

Mobile@HKUL

In August 2020 alongside the Library's new website, the official mobile app for the Libraries (HKUL) was released. The app gives library patrons quick mobile access to HKU libraries information and services.

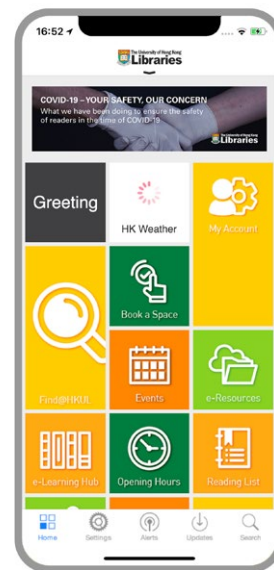


App Features

- Receive alerts and announcements with Push Notifications
- Manage your HKUL account - view your loans, requests and fine/fees, online renewals and more
- Search the Library Catalogue
- Locate libraries on and off campus
- Opening hours of libraries and study areas
- View your course information and reading lists
- Search the Library Staff Directory and look up contact information
- Receive the latest news and events from the HKUL
- Access to key e-resources on LibGuides

New features are continuously being planned and released, so please keep checking for updates.

- Access to HKU Moodle
- View your current UPrint quota
- Access to HKU uPay mobile payment
- Facilities booking - check availability of library facilities, make/cancel reservation (pending)



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The HKUL official mobile app for iOS and Android devices is ready to download now. You can download the app by searching for Mobile@HKUL in the Apple App store or Google Play store on your device or click the appropriate button below.



* The library users who cannot access to Google Play, you may click [here](#) to download Mobile@HKUL app.

NEW SERVICES

Introduction of the HKU E-learning Resource Hub

<https://elearning-resource.hku.hk>

HKU e-Learning Resource Hub

DISCOVER RESOURCES for Your Needs

<https://elearning-resource.hku.hk/>

Centre for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning
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Launched in October 2020 and developed by the University Libraries in collaboration with the Centre for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning (CETL), Information Technology Services (ITS) and Technology Enhanced Learning Initiative (TeLi), the Hub provides access to a wealth of resources developed by these departments as well as others. The platform offers search and browse functions for electronic resources, online tools, guides, courses, equipment, learning spaces and departmental services in support of teaching and learning.

New HKU Libraries website

The Libraries launched a new HKU Libraries website, <https://lib.hku.hk> on 28 August 2020. In order to provide enhanced searching, browsing and easier access to library services, we have incorporated feedback received through our biennial user surveys as well as your direct suggestions. We hope you find the new website improvements facilitate your learning and research.

Feedback: "More user friendly and more spacious to enter the Title and Author name. The icon is large and more easy to access."



Go Live
00:00
28 Aug 2020

Our New Website is Going Live!

www.lib.hku.hk

Smart Card System Upgrade

Smart Card System Upgrade at the Main Library to strengthen the security system

Upgrade for:

- Turnstile and Room Readers:** Mid-February to end-May
- Research Carrel Readers:** May 2020

Sorry for any inconvenience caused. Note: upgrades will take approximately 15 minutes per reader.

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a new service at the Libraries

save paper

STAFF COMMITTEE

Long Service Awards



In light of the latest COVID-19 situation in Hong Kong, it is regret that the Long Service Awards Presentation Ceremony could not invite all colleagues to celebrate with the awardees as it had been in previous years. Staff Committee still want to congrats again the twelve Library colleagues that awarded the Long Service Award by the University this year.

- Ms Tsang, Wai Chi
- Mr Cheng, Kai Wah
- Mrs Choy Chan, Kam Ling
- Mr Hung, Thomas Wai Pui
- Miss Ko, Ivy Ying Wai
- Ms Leung, Suet Han
- Ms Ng, Mandy Fung Yi
- Ms Shieh, Irene Lin Ying
- Mr Sung, Chi Chiu
- Miss Tang, Siu Kam
- Mr To, Siu King
- Mrs Chan, Gayle Rosemary Yu Ching



Farewell to Library Retirees



In 2020, the Libraries wished a happy retirement for several colleagues for their years of service:

Administrative Service

- Mrs Choy Chan, Kam Ling 26 years
- Mr Ko, Kam Hung 33 years
- Ms Lo, Alice Sau Wai 44 years

Collection Development

- Mrs Chan, Gayle Rosemary Yu Ching 36 years
- Mr Ho, Kam Yau 21.5 years

Dental Library

- Mr Lee, Sam Yuk Chuen 28 years

Education Library

- Ms Ng, Fung Lin 31 years

Information Service

- Ms Chu, Belinda Sui Lin 42 years

Lending Service

- Ms Tang, Fung Lin 24 years
- Mr To, Adam Siu King 26 years

Medical Library

- Ms Wong, Lucinda Kit Ping 32 years

Technical Service

- Mr Hung, Thomas Wai Pui 26 years
- Ms Tam, Jade Siu Hing 25 years

Our University Librarian joined the Library Staff Committee and all Library staff to thank our colleagues for their years of dedication. The Library wishes them well on their retirements!



PAST EVENTS / EXHIBITIONS



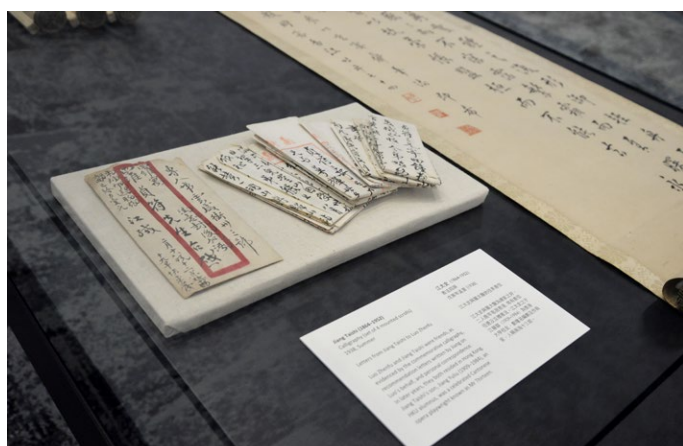
EXHIBITION

疫境傳珍-癘病聖手羅禎符太醫特藏一瞥
An Imperial Doctor in Hong Kong:
A Glimpse of the Luo Zhenfu Collection
 29 May - 2 July 2020

In May 2020, the Fung Ping Shan Library received a collection from Dr Luo Zhenfu family. The collection acquired is very diverse in nature ranging from Chinese medicine prescriptions, design drafts of the brand and products from Dr Luo's medicine business 生生堂 in the 1930s, unique portraits of Dr Luo and his family to many valuable collectables including paintings and calligraphy.

The new collection adds to the 2003 collection of hundreds of thread-bound publications in Chinese medicine to the School of Chinese Medicine which were transferred to the Libraries some years later for better preservation.

Dr Luo Zhenfu, 羅禎符太醫 was a former imperial physician and author of 《癘病述要》.




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Online Exhibition <https://www.ffchk2020.hku.hk/>

Hong Kong Historical Photos from the Frank Fischbeck Collection



Exhibition extended until 23 Dec 2020
Exhibition Area, Ingenium,
2/F Main Library, HKU

View more of the Collection at the Digital Repository @HKU
<https://digitalrepository.lib.hku.hk/collection/br99g1f2q>

The University of Hong Kong Libraries <http://lib.hku.hk>

Facebook, Instagram, Weibo

The online exhibition at HKU highlights a small segment of the Collection based on Frank's personal choices through the following six themes, and with his commentary provided for each image.

1. The Early Years
2. Occupation and Liberation of Hong Kong
3. 1967 Disturbances
4. Air Land and Sea
5. Portraits
6. Path to 1997

Selected photos from the Collection is also available at a physical exhibition held at the Exhibition Area, 2/F Main Library, The University of Hong Kong, from 1 November to 23 December 2020.



EXHIBITION

HKU Libraries presents online exhibition of Hong Kong Historical Photos from the Frank Fischbeck Collection

12 October - 23 December 2020

Libraries is presenting a soft launch exhibition of the "*Hong Kong Historical Photos from the Frank Fischbeck Collection*" online at <https://www.ffchk2020.hku.hk>.

In September 2019, HKU acquired a unique photographic collection of rare, historic, original photographs dating from the 1860 to the 1997 Hong Kong Handover from FormAsia Books, the collection was known as the FormAsia Photographic Archive. In October 2019 the Archive was renamed to the Frank Fischbeck Collection.

Visitors from the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art (MoMA)

On 11 December 2019, the Libraries hosted a viewing of the Frank Fischbeck Collection to representatives from the San Francisco (MoMA) and other guests from the Fine Arts and Photography industry. The Collection was well received and many future research projects were discussed.





PAST BOOK TALK

**Design DNA of Mark I:
Hong Kong's Public Housing Prototype**

22 September 2020

Speaker: Dr Rosman Wai

Moderator: Dr Lee Ho Yin

Revisit the book talk:

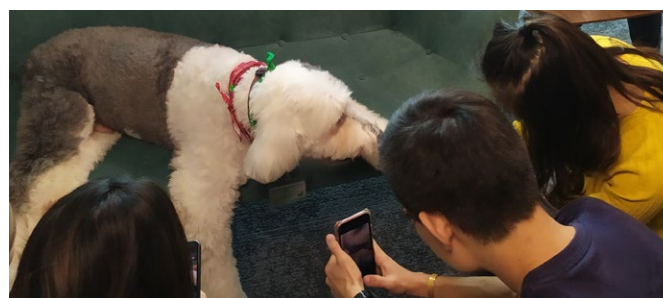
<https://youtu.be/XRfqQgrTFSk>



HKU LIBRARIES THERAPY DOG – JASPER

Jasper Session

To help students reduce stress from examinations, Jasper, the Library's Resident Therapy Dog came to the Yu Chun Keung Medical library to meet students on 17 December 2019. Organized in collaboration with Dr June Lee, Clinical Psychologist of the Student Wellness Unit of the Medical Faculty, the visit helped students relax, destress and enjoy a care basket filled with packaged snacks and teabags for students to take while they enjoyed their time with Jasper.



At the Visitor Centre with Jasper



To help the HKU Visitor Centre launch their new Jasper Series collection, Jasper stopped at the Centre on 26 July 2019 to support the Stay Pawsitive message and send a happy note.

The event was well-received with a long queue forming at 12:30 PM with anxious guests waiting to meet Jasper and purchase items from the Series.

'Health and Wellness' series at the Shun Hing College of HKU Jockey Club Student Village III



In October 2019, the Shun Hing College of HKU Jockey Club Student Village III organized a 'Health and Wellness' series to advocate mental health and well-being through fun and stress-relieving programs. Jasper was invited to attend one of the sessions and help the effort.

Jasper's mom and dad shared Jasper's stories and talked about animal welfare in Hong Kong.

Jasper found his own stress relief when he discovered his first bean bag.



Jasper is over the moon in his first bean bag.

Spring Spin

To help start the 2020 second semester off on a spin, the Communications and Public Affairs Office organized a Spring Spin event. Jasper spent some time to join the festivities and wish everyone a fantastic semester.



Jasper also greeted students and staff at the MTR footbridge before the start of Spring Spin.

Jasper at the Dental Library

Jasper stopped by the Dental Library on 30 October 2019 to help with a photoshoot for the Libraries photo gallery. https://lib.hku.hk/photo_gallery/



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