



FALL 2008 NEWSLETTER



## CCS Welcomes Mary Gallagher

as Director for July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011

The U-M Center for Chinese Studies is delighted to report that Mary Gallagher has accepted the position of CCS Director for the coming three years. She is an associate professor of political science at the University of Michigan where she is also a faculty associate at the Center for Comparative Political Studies, the Center for Chinese Studies, and the Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations. She received her Ph.D. in politics in 2001 from Princeton University.

Her book *Contagious Capitalism: Globalization and the Politics of Labor in China* was published by Princeton University Press in 2005. She was a Fulbright Research Scholar from 2003 to 2004 at East China University of Politics and Law in Shanghai, China where she worked on a new project, *The Rule of Law in China: If They Build It, Who Will Come?* This project examines the legal mobilization of Chinese workers. This project is funded by the Fulbright Association and the National Science Foundation. She has published articles in *World Politics*, *Law and Society Review*, *Studies in Comparative International Development*, and *Asian Survey*.

Professor Gallagher teaches classes on Chinese politics, labor rights in the global economy, and research design. She also serves on the University of Michigan's Advisory Committee for labor standards and human rights.



We also welcome **Joseph Lam** as the center's new Associate Director. He is Professor of Musicology at the School of Music, Dance and Theatre, U-M, Director of the Stearns Collection of Musical Instruments, U-M, and former chair of the Department of Musicology (1999–2007). He studied music (ethnomusicology and musicology) at the Chinese University of Hong Kong (B.A.), the Tokyo National University of Fine Arts and Music (MFA), and Harvard University (Ph.D.). He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 1997, after having taught at the University of Pittsburgh (visiting position, 1996–97), University of California, Santa Barbara (1992–97), and the Chinese University of Hong Kong (1988–91). As a musicologist and as an ethnomusicologist, he examines historical and traditional Chinese musics and cultures with musical, critical, and interdisciplinary perspectives and methods. His recent publications and research interests investigate a diversity of topics, ranging from musical performance of emperorship in Song China, to music and masculinity in late Ming China, and to Kunqu as the classical opera of globalized China.

The center also wishes to express our considerable gratitude to **San Duanmu** for his service and leadership as CCS Co-Director during fall term 2007 and Associate Director during winter/spring-summer term 2008. We look forward to his continued involvement in the activities of the China Center.



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## Greetings!

by John Graham, Michigan Law School Student and CCS MA Alum

On Saturday, March 15th, 2008, the Michigan Law School Asia Law Society convened a one day symposium addressing "Activist Lawyers and Muckraking Journalists – Pressures for Legal Reform in China," bringing together an impressive cross section of legal scholars, journalists, lawyers and academics from China and the outside world. The symposium was supported by the Michigan Law School, the U-M Center for Chinese Studies, the Dept. of Political Science, and Linklaters, LLP. The symposium sought to explore the effects on legal reform arising from the establishment and growth of the legal profession in China (including lawyers, judges, and regulators) and an increasingly assertive media. The symposium was highlighted by a lunchtime keynote address by Joseph Kahn, former Beijing Bureau Chief of the *New York Times*, and winner of the Pulitzer Prize for his series of articles on legal reform in China. The meeting also featured opening remarks by U-M's own Kenneth Lieberthal, former Asia Director in the Clinton National Security Council and three well-attended panels.

Ken Lieberthal opened the symposium by stating his belief that China's leaders truly desire "harmony," while at the same time recognizing that a modern society is too complex to be micro-managed. He pointed out that, despite the institutional growth of the legal system, China's governance system is still characterized by "rule by man," not "rule by law" whatever its formal structure.

The first panel focused on the role of the media and those cases where media attention has helped to highlight miscarriages of justice and facilitate implementation of legal guarantees. Beijing and Sichuan-based publisher and journalist Yang Jian spoke extremely frankly about the urgent need for "de-officialization" of the media in China, which he noted would ultimately bring increased freedom of the press, judicial independence, and real protection of human rights – all of which he sees as necessary to the enhancement of a productive market economy. In his panel remarks, Joe Kahn, now Deputy Foreign Editor of the *New York Times*, highlighted the difficulty faced by journalists such as Yang Jian in seeking to report the stories they independently feel are newsworthy in China; yet he noted that there is an ever-increasing demand for uncensored reporting, and that this pressure from within China will eventually shake the Communist Party's control over the press. Michigan Law School's Nicholas Howson commented on the intersection of media and the legal system in the contemporary context, but also through the lens of Chinese history – in particular the early 20th century.

The second panel addressed the legal profession in China, and explored the rather significant impact China's growing corps of lawyers are having on legal consciousness, citizen's rights, and the development of real "rule of law" in China. Yao Yao, a PRC lawyer and Director of a PRC NGO "Law and Public Participation in Civil Society Watch", discussed his personal efforts across China using law to help people resolve conflicts with the government, and the challenges faced by Chinese citizens wishing to have their grievances heard and addressed in any forum. Washington University Law Professor Carl Minzner talked about formal state structures and institutions, suggesting that a focus on traditional institutions such as the National People's Congress, the State Council, or the Supreme People's Court bureaucracy, may be misplaced. He argued it is critically important to focus on the Communist Party-run



Top Photo: from left, Eric Richardson, Stanley Lubman, Ted St. Antione and Nicholas Howson; Yao Yao and Michigan Law School Professor Emeritus Whimore Gray confer on right. Middle, left: U-M Professor Kenneth Lieberthal. Middle, right: Joe Kahn, Deputy Foreign Editor, *New York Times* Lower: Yang Jian. Photos courtesy of Gregory Fox Photography

"cadre responsibility system" that governs the actions and careers of Chinese officials (including of course judicial actors) in seeking to understand the ways in which China's legal system is actually used and applied in China today. Liu Sida, a well-known University of Chicago sociologist and perhaps the world's leading expert in the Chinese legal profession spoke on the phenomenon of activist lawyers in China in the broader social structure of the Chinese legal profession, and discussed how they interact with other activists in the legal system today. Rounding out the panel, Jeffrey Prescott of the Yale Law School China Law Center connected the discussion of the first panel on the media with the legal profession, looking



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at external NGOs and other external influences on China and the contributions foreign lawyers and legal academics can make in construction of the rule of law in China. Prescott concluded his remarks by addressing the urgent need in China for a public interest law career path, which he noted would contribute greatly to building civil society within China. Jason Tower, a U-M Political Science doctoral candidate and one of the key organizers of the symposium, moderated the panel.

Joe Kahn then delivered a spell-binding keynote address, in which he described his own motivations in composing his Pulitzer Prize winning series of articles on China's legal reform, the unknown details of the Zhao Yan case (a *New York Times* researcher and former muckraking journalist prosecuted for "leaking of state secrets" to the *Times*), and the way in which the very political final resolution of the Zhao Yan case informed his more general view of how the legal system works in contemporary China.

The symposium's final panel addressed the unique "outside in" dynamic that appears as an element of China's evolving legal system, and looked at the ways in which China's engagement with the world has affected its legal reform. Stanley Lubman of UC Berkeley Law School, one of the pioneers of the study of Chinese law in the West, opened the panel, shedding light on some foreign organizations that have been active in pushing for legal reform in China. He observed that in its current state of competing values and moral complexity, development of Chinese legal institutions is a slow work in progress. Eric Richardson, U.S. State Department official and Michigan Law School graduate, spoke about the role of internet journalists in China (and how U.S.-based internet companies support them) as case study to look at how the U.S. and other governments can influence rule of law issues in China from afar. Political Scientist Andrew Mertha of Cornell discussed various types of international pressure on China and what effects they may or may not have, concluding that few, if any, methods of foreign intervention will be conducive to establishing an independent judiciary in China. The final panel was moderated by U-M Political Scientist and Center for Chinese Studies Director Mary Gallagher, who also presented some of her own work on the reality of Chinese labor contracts.

For a complete listing of the day's events and audio recordings of each panel, the symposium introduction, and Joe Kahn's keynote address, please visit the Asia Law Society's web site at <http://students.law.umich.edu/als>. A full report of each panel of the symposium, along with supporting files used by the panelists (e.g., powerpoint presentations), are also available for download.

Now in its fourth year and held annually in Shanghai, the Barnett-Oksenberg Lecture on Sino-American Relations provides a forum where current and potential issues in the Sino-American relationship are discussed frankly and forthrightly. Established in 2005 by the National Committee on US-China Relations and partnered with the Shanghai Association of American Studies, this is the first and only ongoing lecture series in China on US-China Relations. The lecture is named in honor of the late A. Doak Barnett and the late Michel Oksenberg, both American scholars and policymakers of distinction whose writing and actions had a direct impact on the bilateral relationship dating back to the 1960s. Michel Oksenberg was a former faculty associate of the U-M Center for Chinese Studies and on the faculty of the U-M Department of Political Science from 1973-1991. The 2006 speaker was Dr. Kenneth Lieberthal, U-M Professor of Political Science and William Davidson Professor of Business Administration and longtime colleague of Michel Oksenberg. The lecture series is held in February of each year in order to coincide as closely as possible with the anniversary of the signing of the Shanghai Communiqué. More information on this lecture series, including the text of Ken Lieberthal's 2006 presentation, can be found on the website of the National Committee on US-China Relations at [www.ncusc.org](http://www.ncusc.org).

## Barnett-Oksenberg Lecture on Sino-American Relations

In 2008 the Center for Chinese Studies received approval for a new Graduate Certificate Program in Asian Studies: China. This certificate is intended for U-M graduate-level students in LS&A departments and professional schools, as well as students who have completed a Bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan or another university within the past 5 years. The goal of the certificate is to provide a program of study grounded in in-depth interdisciplinary understandings of China to graduate students whose academic and career trajectories require China-focused knowledge and training. Requirements include 15 hours of China-related course work and 2<sup>nd</sup> year level Chinese language proficiency.

## New Graduate Certificate Program in Chinese Studies

By Yan Liu, CCS MA Student

The Center for Chinese Studies (CCS) at the University of Michigan has long been a nucleus of fostering and sustaining interdisciplinary interaction and cooperation on Chinese Studies. Following this excellent tradition, the CCS 2007 MA students, together with several Ph.D. students who work on Chinese issues, have established an interdisciplinary workshop focusing on Chinese Studies. The objective of this workshop is not only to provide a venue for students with different backgrounds to learn from each other, but also to encourage students and professors alike to develop their original scholarship intended for conference presentations, articles or dissertations.

With the generous help from the CCS program, the China Interdisciplinary Workshop kicked off on February 15, 2008. Thereafter, six students or professors from three different programs presented their work in the following biweekly meetings, and received constructive feedback from the audience. Meanwhile, we applied for the Interdisciplinary Workshop Fellowship provided by the Rackham School of Graduate Studies and are pleased to announce that we have received full funding for the China workshop in the 2008-2009 academic year. We intend to continue the workshop on a biweekly basis throughout Fall 2008 and Winter 2009. Besides the regular presentations, we also plan to invite guest speakers outside the university to come and give talks and purchase relevant reading materials that are conducive to the discussion.

For more information of the China Interdisciplinary Workshop, please visit our official website <http://www.umich.edu/~chinawrk/index.html>. Any suggestions or comments are greatly appreciated. Currently we are scheduling the activities for the 2008-2009 academic year. If you are interested in presenting your work in this workshop, please feel free to contact us. Our contact emails are [vicchonn@umich.edu](mailto:vicchonn@umich.edu) (Victoria Chonn Ching) and [yliuz@umich.edu](mailto:yliuz@umich.edu) (Yan Liu).

## China Interdisciplinary Workshop

The Center for Chinese Studies holds the Hughes Fellowship for the 2008-2009 academic year. This is a rotating fellowship shared between the Center for Chinese Studies, Center for Southeast Asian Studies, and the Center for South Asian Studies. The fellowship can be used to fund visiting fellows or graduate students from East and Southeast Asia. The intention of the donor is that the funds be used to "provide support for instructional or research activity which will strengthen the economic and educational resources" of the countries located in those regions. The fellowships were made possible by the generous support of Gwyn and Marion Hughes in establishing the Gwyn M. Hughes Memorial Fund. He earned a B.A. from U-M in 1926 and served as Chairman of the Board of American International Assurances Company, Ltd., Hong Kong.

CCS has split the award among ten promising students and accomplished scholars including:

**Song Shaopeng**, nominated by Professor Wang Zheng, was awarded \$23,000 and will be a Visiting Scholar through AY08-09 and Summer 2009. She is an Associate Professor at Renmin University in the Department of CPC History and will be conducting research on how American scholars perceive the influence of Confucian traditions and Chinese revolution on contemporary Chinese women through an intensive examination of texts and in-depth discussions with American scholars. **Wang Fuqiang**, nominated by Professor Nico Howson, was awarded \$23,000 and will be a Visiting Scholar from July 2008-June 2009. He will be mentored by Professor Susan Crawford who joins the U-M Law School from Yale Law School this year. Wang Fuqiang is a Ph.D. student at the China University of Political Science and Law, majoring in Civil Law. During his time at U-M he will pursue research on "The Law Study of Commercial Use of Personal Information" and "The Study on Frame Structure of Internet Governance." His hope is to contribute to the information development of China. **Zhang Huili**, nominated by Professor San Duanmu was awarded \$5000 and will be a Visiting Scholar through AY08-09 to AY09-10 and Summer 2010. Huili is an advanced Ph.D. student at Peking University and is in the process of writing her dissertation. Her research will explore the "Phonology of Rhyme-inflecting Nouns in Chinese dialects". **Zheng Mu**, nominated by Professor Yu Xie was awarded \$6000 and will continue work on a Ph.D. in the Department of Sociology, Population Studies Center. **Byung Ho Lee**, nominated by Professor James Lee was awarded \$6000 and will continue work on his Ph.D. in the Department of Sociology. His thesis work will explore the Construction of Ethnicity in Historic and Contemporary China. **Liu Yan**, nominated by Professor Christian de Pee, was awarded \$3000 and will continue his second year in the CCS Master's Program. He plans to work on his thesis and begin applying for Ph.D. Programs in Chinese history. **Qing Lai**, nominated by Professor Yu Xie, was awarded \$3000 and will pursue a Ph.D. in the Department of Sociology. Qing Lai worked with Professor Yu Xie on a research project in Gansu this July and will begin at U-M this fall. **Yuhua Wang**, nominated by Professor Mary Gallagher, was awarded \$2000. Yuhua is a second year doctoral student in Political Science. Funds supported pre-dissertation research in China during the summer of 2008. His project is titled, "Top-Down Diffusion of National Laws Among Chinese Provinces." **Bang Zheng** and **Hanh Nguyen**, nominated by their Faculty Advisor Professor San Duanmu, were both awarded \$2000 to support work on completion of their CCS Master's Thesis.

## Hughes Fellowship for 2008-09

## The Michigan Legacy . . . in Shanghai

by Wm. Patrick Cranley, MA Chinese Studies, CCS 1988, MBA  
Ross School 1988

Shanghai's near-miraculous rise as one of the world's most dynamic cities is well-studied by students of modern China, but with their eyes firmly on the prize – the almighty diploma – they seldom have time to delve in depth into the fascinating history of the "Paris of the East."

That was certainly my situation when I studied PRC economics and politics as a graduate student at the U-M Center for Chinese Studies in the mid-1980s (I was also at the Graduate School of Business, now the Ross School of Business). I could rattle off the dates and themes of the various Congresses of the Communist Party of China, but I had only a cursory knowledge of what life was actually like in the city where the CPC was born (in July 1921, for the record).

So when I moved to Shanghai with my family in 1997, I was surprised by what we discovered here: stately neoclassical public buildings; once-luxurious mansions now crammed with dozens of families; bustling Shanghai-style lane neighborhoods; and gorgeous Art Deco apartment houses, still stylish after 70 years of neglect. How did they get here? Who lived in them in the "old days," and who lives in them now? What stories of British taipans, Shanghai gangsters, Russian émigrés, Ningbo bankers, Sikh policemen, "Portuguese" functionaries, Communist conspirators, Japanese spies and French cathouses would they tell, if walls could talk?

I started asking questions of long-time residents, both Chinese and foreign, and not getting very good answers. So my wife, the

accomplished writer Tina Kanagaratnam, and the doyenne of documentation of the city's old buildings, Tess Johnston, decided in our 1937 living room to establish "Historic Shanghai," a tiny band of people dedicated to exploring the fascinating heritage of this fabled city.

We started to build a library of directories, phone books, maps and contemporary accounts. We organized presentations by experts, at historic venues. And created tours of better- and lesser-known corners of what was in 1930 the sixth largest city in the world (and is now the sixth largest city in the world – or the eighth, or third, or fourth, depending on whom you ask).

Before long, Shanghai friends started to ask me to show them visitors the city through an historian's eyes. Then they told travel companies that I offered tours. Soon I was doing several tours a month, in addition to my "real job" running AsiaMedia, a marketing and communications consultancy.

I enjoy every moment that I am "on tour," imparting to visitors information that is not easily available elsewhere. I've toured celebrities, CEOs, and presidents. Ambassadors, generals and members of Congress have insisted that I show them Shanghai's historic sites. But my biggest thrill? The appreciation of my former CCS professor, Dr. Kenneth Lieberthal, and his gracious wife Jane, when I toured them as part of a China program organized by the Chicago Council on Global Affairs in the spring of 2008. I graduated 20 years ago, but the approval of one's professors is endlessly gratifying, it seems.



Patrick Cranley tours Shanghai with  
Katy Courie and her daughters



A still vibrant street in historical Shanghai.  
Photos Courtesy of Patrick Cranley

## Alumni Perspective

The Center for Chinese Studies will be offering a number of public events on topics related to the study of China during Fall Term 2008. For a complete listing of times and topics or to be added to the e-mail events notification group of this center, please contact the China Center at either 734-764-6408 or e-mail at [chinese.studies@umich.edu](mailto:chinese.studies@umich.edu). Information can also be found on the center's website at: [www.ii.umich.edu/ccs](http://www.ii.umich.edu/ccs) under "Events and Programs."

**Noon Lecture Series:** The CCS Noon Lecture Series continues to offer a weekly presentation of scholarly talks on the study of modern and pre-modern China. The talks will take place at noon on Tuesdays in Room 1636 School of Social Work Building, 1080 S. University. Presentations this term include **Teemu Ruskola**, Emory Law School (Sept. 23); **Madeline Chu**, Kalamazoo College (Sept. 30th); **Joseph Dennis**, Davidson College (Oct. 7); **Shuen-fu Lin**, U-M Dept. of Asian Languages and Cultures (Oct. 14); **Giovanni Vitiello**, University of Hawaii (Oct. 28); **Yanjie Bian**, University of Minnesota (Nov. 4); **Maying Birney**, Princeton Society of Fellows (Nov. 11); **Mary Gallagher**, U-M Dept. of Political Science (Nov. 18); **Wen Yuhang**, Kunqu Performer (Nov. 25); and **Jin Feng**, Grinnell College (Dec. 2). All talks are free and open to the public. Light lunch fare and refreshments will be served. Come early to get a good seat.

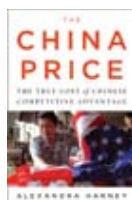


**CCS Special Presentation: On Tuesday, Sept. 30th at 4:00pm – 5:30pm**, professor and documentary filmmaker **Ai Xiaoming**, Sun Yat-sen University, will present her newest documentary

film *The Train to My Home Town* and give a presentation entitled "Visual Representation, Memory and Public Interest." Professor Ai is a feminist academic, a human rights activist, and director of several documentary films on issues of health, human rights, the legal system and the election system in China, among other topics. Her film *The Train to My Home Town*, filmed on the eve of Spring Festival (China 2008; 59 minutes, in Chinese with English subtitles) is an intimate portrait of inland migrant workers seeking to return home to be with family for the Chinese New Year. Professor Ai's film *Care and Love* (2007), the story of a villager who contracted AIDS from a blood transfusion during childbirth, will be shown in the CCS Chinese Documentary Film Series on Saturday, October 4th at 7:00pm in Auditorium A of Angell Hall. The film series is free and open to the public.



**CCS Public Lecture Series:** We continue our popular public lecture series, inaugurated during the 2007-08 LSA China Theme Year, with a Fall 2008 presentation by **Yasheng Huang**, Sloan School of Management, MIT. Professor Huang will be speaking on "Rethinking Chinese Reforms." He is the author of *Capitalism with Chinese Characteristics* (Cambridge 2008). In collaborative projects with other scholars, Professor Huang is conducting research on engineering education and human capital formation in China and India and on entrepreneurship. He is the recipient of the Social Science-MacArthur Foundation Fellowship and the National Fellowship. His talk will take place on **Thursday, October 23rd at 7:00pm** in Room 1636 School of Social Work Building. All are welcome to attend.



The Winter 2009 presentation within the CCS Public Lecture Series will be given by **Alexandra Harney**, author of *The China Price: The True Cost of Chinese Competitive Advantage* (Penguin Press, 2008). A journalist who was the South China correspondent for *The Financial Times* from 2003 through 2006, she has also been published in *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Post*, the *Far Eastern Economic Review*, among others. More information on her talk will be available at the beginning of Winter Term in January 2009.

**CCS Chinese Documentary Film Series:** The Fall 2008 CCS film series will continue to present contemporary documentary films on modern culture and society in China. The film series will be shown on occasional Saturday evenings at 7:00pm in Auditorium A of Angell Hall on the central campus area of the University of Michigan. A complete schedule is available from the Center for Chinese Studies at 734-764-6408 or from the center's website at: [www.ii.umich.edu/ccs](http://www.ii.umich.edu/ccs). The series will begin on Saturday, Oct. 4 with a showing of *Care and Love*, filmmaker Ai Xiaoming's portrait of the devastating personal toll of AIDS in the Chinese countryside. On Oct. 11 we will show *China Blue*, a powerful and poignant journey into the harsh world of sweatshop workers. Other presentations include: Oct. 25, *Red Capitalism: China's Economic Revolution*; Nov. 1, *No Sex, No Violence, No News: The Battle to Control China's Airwaves*; Nov. 8, *Last House Standing*; Nov. 15, *Shanghai Bride*, and on Nov. 22, we will show director Wu Wenguang's documentary on provincial farm workers in Beijing who agree to participate in a dance performance called *Dance with Farm Workers*. All film presentations are free and open to the public.



*Care and Love*, a 2007 documentary film by Ai Xiaoming

## Center News

**New Office Location:** During the summer of 2008, the China Center's offices relocated to the fourth floor of the School of Social Work to Suite 4668 after having been in our previous location on the third floor since November of 1997. The move was precipitated by the addition of a new Center for African Studies at the International Institute and the formation of the new Weiser Center for Europe and Eurasia which will include the Center for Russian and Eastern European Studies, the Center for European Studies-European Union Center, and the newly formed Center for Emerging Democracies. The Centers for Japanese and Korean Studies have also joined us on the fourth floor. Stop by and visit.

## Staff News

As we transition to a new location, we have also experienced a transition in staff. Our very capable student services coordinator, **Maryellen Bartolome**, accepted the position of Program Coordinator in the Department of Environmental Health Sciences in the School of Public Health and left her current position in early August 2008. We express our appreciation for all the support and professional assistance Maryellen has given the center and our graduate students over the past six years and wish her luck in her new position. She will be missed. Any students or alumni who wish to contact her may do so at [mbartolo@umich.edu](mailto:mbartolo@umich.edu). **Jen Zhu**, U-M China Coordinator, will serve as interim student services coordinator in addition to her current responsibilities. We appreciate Jen's willingness to assist us during this transition. She can be reached at [zzhu@umich.edu](mailto:zzhu@umich.edu).

## Faculty Associate News

**Bill Baxter**, Professor of Linguistics and Chinese Language, spent a month over the summer in Paris working with his colleague Laurent Sagart. They are collaborating on an improved linguistic reconstruction of Old Chinese, the language of the early classical texts, and on the pre-Qin linguistic history of China generally. He believes they are making progress in part due to the availability of a large volume of Chinese texts of the Warring States period, excavated in recent years at archeological sites in China.

**Miranda Brown** has been promoted to tenure and is currently an associate professor in the Department of Asian Languages and Cultures specializing in early Chinese culture.

**Pär Cassel**, Assistant Professor of History, has had his article "The Legacies of Ming Taizu in Japan" published in *Long Live the Emperor: The Uses of the Ming Founder across Six Centuries of East Asian History*, edited by Sarah Schneewind, 329-44. Minneapolis: Society for Ming Studies, 2008.

**Christian de Pee**, Assistant Professor of History, has published in *Nan Nü* 9.2 (2007) an annotated translation of "A Dream of Spring," a fourteenth-century story in which a young woman dies for a man whom she has never met but who has dishonored her in their exchange of poems and letters. During the summer he has written two articles about eleventh-century capitals: "Wards of Words: Textual Geographies and Urban Space in Song-Dynasty Luoyang, 960-1127," for a forthcoming special issue of the *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient*, and "Purchase on Power: Imperial Space and Commercial Space in Song-Dynasty Kaifeng, 960-1127," for the conference "Empires and Emporia," held at Leiden University, the Netherlands, in August 2008.

In May, **Brad Farnsworth**, Adjunct Lecturer, Ross School of Business, and Director of the U-M Center for International Business Education, served as faculty director for a study abroad program based at Tsinghua University. The three-week program provided an introduction to the Chinese business environment for thirty-two undergraduates from the Ross Business School. The course featured guest lecturers from Tsinghua, company visits, and tours of the major cultural sites in Beijing.

Assistant Professor of Law **Nicholas Howson** had a China-focused Winter semester co-teaching a joint Law-History course in "Chinese Legal History" with Faculty Associate and Qing Law specialist Pär Cassel, and a short seminar in "Chinese Constitutionalism" at the Law School. After the end of classes in Ann Arbor, he traveled to Beijing in May to co-host a reception for the Law School's very impressive alumni in Greater China (with attendees from Shanghai, Jilin, Hong Kong, Shanghai and Taiwan), during which time he also gave a Dean's Lecture at the People's University Law School on the fiduciary duty in corporate control contests (with commentary by U-M alumnus and People's University Law Professor Liu Junhai). He then visited the East China University of Political Science and Law in Shanghai, where he met with President He Qinhu and Executive Vice-President Gu Gongyun to arrange a Fall 2008 visit to that University and continuing investigation of corporate and commercial law in China. In June, his article "The Doctrine that Dared Not Speak Its Name: Anglo-American Fiduciary Duties in China's 2005 Company Law and Case Law Intimations of Prior Convergence" was published in the Routledge volume *Transforming Corporate Governance in East Asia* (Hideki Kanda, Kon-sik Kim and Curtis Milhaupt, editors). By the end of the summer his long article examining corporate governance at China's "reformed" banks -- "China's Restructured Commercial Banks: The Old *Nomenklatura* System Serving New Corporate Governance Structures?" -- will come out in Wiley's *China Banking and Finance* (Zhu Min and Cai Jingqing, editors). And, finally, his translation and annotation of Professor Li Xiuqing's Chinese language law review article "Wu Jingxiang Zai Mixiegen Daxue Faxueyuan" ["John C.H. Wu at the U-M School of Law"] will shortly appear in the *Journal of Legal Education*. During the Fall 2008 Howson will be resident at Shanghai's East China University of Politics and Law, continuing to investigate with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Civil Division of the Shanghai Higher People's Court (and the same division of the Supreme People's Court in Beijing) the actual application of China's newly amended Company and Securities Laws by China's increasingly sophisticated and independent judiciary.

## Faculty News





Photo courtesy of Lynda Li

**Lydia Li**, Associate Professor of Social Work, spent the summer in China interviewing frail elders and their caregivers living in rural and urban areas (Jinan and two rural villages nearby), respectively. The study aims to understand the quality of care received by frail and disabled elders, and quality of life of frail elders and their family caregivers.

**David Porter**, Associate Professor of English and Comparative Literature, had an article published in the recent (Spring '08) China issue of the *Michigan Quarterly Review*. Entitled "China is Not a Foreign Country: The Promises and Perils of Cross-Cultural Comparison," it draws in part on his experience teaching for the U-M program at Beida in '06-07. The essay takes a close look at what is involved in comparing two cultures (like China and the US), why cross-cultural comparisons are so tempting, and how they can often lead to serious distortions and misunderstandings.

During 2008-09, **Martin Powers**, Sally Michelson Davidson Professor of Chinese Arts and Cultures at the University of Michigan and former Director of the Center for Chinese Studies, will be at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton writing a book on the role of "China" in the cultural politics of the English garden.

In June 2008, **Bright Sheng**, Leonard Bernstein Distinguished University Professor of Music, had the European premiere of his piano concerto *Red Silk Dance* in Lisbon, Portugal. Additionally, during October 17-18, 2008, he will be conducting the Detroit Symphony Orchestra at Orchestra Hall in Detroit. The program will consist of musical compositions that express the theme of tragedy: Prokofiev's *War and Peace Overture* and *Romeo and Juliet Symphonic Suite 2*, and Bright Sheng's own compositions of *Nanking!* and *Tibetan Swing*.

**Twila Tardif**, Professor of Developmental Psychology, has a book coming out in both English and Chinese entitled *Chinese Communicative Development Inventories: User's Guide and Manual*. The book will soon be published by the Peking University Medical Press. Additionally, she was a Visiting Senior Fellow at Tokyo Women's Christian University during summer 2008, and will be on her first-ever sabbatical during 2008-09 to work on a second book on Chinese-speaking (Mandarin and Cantonese) children's early word learning and learning how to apply complex systems modeling techniques to these data.



### Faculty Transitions

**Ching Kwan Lee**, an associate professor in the Dept. of Sociology since 2000, has accepted a faculty position at the University of California at Los Angeles and left her current post during the summer of 2008. We wish her well in her new position.

**James Robson**, an assistant professor of Medieval Chinese Buddhism and Daoism in the Dept. of Asian Languages and Cultures, accepted a faculty position at Harvard University as of July 2008. We congratulate him on his new position. Professor Robson joined the faculty of the University of Michigan in November 2004.

We are delighted to report that Professor **Tang Xiaobing** of the University of Southern California will be joining the University of Michigan as of Fall 2008. He will hold the position of Helmut F. Stern Professor of Chinese in the Department of Asia Languages and Cultures. Professor Tang specializes in modern and contemporary Chinese literary and visual cultures and we look forward to welcoming him to our academic community.

**Jidong Yang** joined the CCS academic community on July 1, 2008 as Head of the Asia Library. He comes to U-M from the University of Pennsylvania Library where he served as Penn's first Chinese Studies Librarian and directed the Chinese Studies Unit since 2000. Among his many accomplishments during his tenure at Penn, Jidong significantly increased collection holdings, managed a major retrospective conversion project, created a web gateway to Chinese collections, and greatly expanded the Library's instruction program in support of East Asian studies.

## CCS Visiting Scholars

During summer 2008, visiting scholar **Dr. Teng Shihua** of the School of Political Science and Public Administration, East China University of Politics and Law, conducted research on a comparative study of the functions of government between China and developed countries, especially the United States. Dr. Teng was hosted by Professor Mary Gallagher, Dept. of Political Science and Director of the Center for Chinese Studies.

**Liang Chen**, Professor of History at Peking and Tsinghua universities, will be on campus until June 2009 conducting research on a project that focuses on the social origins of elite Chinese university students. Professor Chen is being hosted by James Lee, U-M Professor of History and Sociology.

**Liu Haoming**, Associate Professor in the Department of Economics, National University of Singapore, will be on campus conducting research until the end of June 2009. He is being hosted by Yu Xie, U-M Professor of Statistics and Research Professor at ISR, and will be working on a research project entitled "External Return to Human Capital and Investment in Physical Capital: Evidence from Some Chinese Cities."

Professor **Ren Yuxue**, Shanghai Jiaotong University, will be a CCS visiting research scholar until the end of August 2009. She will be working on a research project that focuses, in part, on how the Eight Banners Garrison was changed into the local administrative system in Northeast China during the Qing Dynasty. She will also be hosted by Professor James Lee while at the University of Michigan.

**Zhang Xiaoye**, Associate Professor in the China University of Political Science and Law, will be on campus from Oct. 2008 until Sept. 2009. A scholar of Chinese history, she will be working on the life style and social structure of immigrants to Hubei province during the Ming and Qing dynasties. She is being hosted by Professor James Lee.

CCS visiting scholars **Song Shaopeng** (Women's Studies), **Wang Fuqiang** (Michigan Law School) and **Zhang Huili** (Linguistics) have all been awarded Hughes fellowships for 2008-09. More information on their research specializations and tenure on campus can be found in the section under "Hughes Fellowships" on page 5 of this newsletter.

## Current Students

**Ji Li**, Ph.D. Candidate in the Department of History, received two prestigious fellowships this year. She was one of only 15 students from universities in the U.S. to be awarded the Bourse Chateaubriand, a French government fellowship to assist doctoral research in France. Additionally, she received the CCK Doctoral Fellowship offered by the Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange, one of the largest foundations to support academic work in Asian Studies.

**Jason Lin**, CCS MA/MBA spent the summer helping drive the vision, design, and implementation of next-generation Internet search features at Microsoft. This means he worked with software development engineers to manage feature sets throughout a product's lifecycle. His current project involves managing a needs/opportunity study to assess the relative importance of web-search features across numerous categories and features, and designing a pilot program to deliver on identified opportunities in the Chinese, Korean, and Japanese markets.

Over the summer, CCS MA student **Marilyn Mai** engaged in a 4-week program, titled "Chinese Film Studies in Beijing," held at the Beijing Film Academy and administered by Professor Yomi Braester from the University of Washington. The program provided opportunities to study and view Chinese films, discuss Chinese film history and criticism, visit important sites of Chinese contemporary cultural production, and hear from several noted Chinese filmmakers. In the Fall, she will begin an internship at documentary film director Wu Wenguang's studio, Caochangdi, also in Beijing, where she will conduct research for and complete her Masters thesis. Ms. Mai comments, "I'm excited about the opportunities the MA program has provided me, and am looking forward to addressing some of the questions forming in my mind about the role that contemporary cultural production plays in Chinese social movements and tensions."

**Anna-Alexandra Fodde-Reguer**, Ph.D. student in the Dept. of Asian Languages and Cultures, will attend the International Chinese Language Program (ICLP) at National Taiwan University (Taida) in Taipei. While diligently working on her language acquisition, Anna hopes to make connections with various professors in her field at both Taida and Academia Sinica in order to begin preliminary dissertation research. She also hopes to travel around Taiwan as much as possible.

**Lee Skluzak**, CCS MA, will be spending the summer enrolled in the Inter-University Program for Chinese language studies (IUP) at Qinghua University, which will help prepare him for further linguistic pursuits at a Chinese university under the auspices of the PRC fellowship, awarded to him by CCS. He plans to finish his Master's thesis over the year and apply for Ph.D. programs in political science during fall 2008.

## Student News

## Recent Graduates

**Joys Cheung** completed her Ph.D. in Ethnomusicology in spring 2008. Her dissertation was entitled *Chinese Music and Translated Modernity in Shanghai, 1918–1937*. Currently she has accepted the Kalamazoo College/University of Michigan Postdoctoral Teaching Fellowship (2008 to 2009). Courses she will teach at Kalamazoo College include music of world cultures, music of Asia, and film music.

**Ellen Hamilton** completed her Ph.D. in Psychology in fall 2007. Her dissertation was entitled *The Importance of Phonological Processing in English- and Mandarin-speaking Emergent and Fluent Readers*. Currently she has a postdoctoral fellowship in the U-M Department of Education.

**Myeong-seok Kim** completed his Ph.D. in Asian Languages and Cultures in summer 2008. His dissertation was entitled *An Inquiry into the Development of the Ethical Theory of Emotions in the Analects and the Mencius*. He has accepted a postdoctoral fellowship in the Philosophy Department at the National University of Singapore.

**Adeline Koh** completed her Ph.D. in Comparative Literature in winter 2008. Her dissertation was entitled: *Inventing Malayanness: Race, Education and Englishness in Colonial Malaya*. Adeline currently holds a postdoctoral fellowship in the English Department of the National University of Singapore.

**Airong Luo** completed a Ph.D. in Information in winter 2008 and submitted a dissertation entitled *Imperfect Partnership: Effects of Collaboratories on Scientists from Developing Countries*. Luo is now working as a research associate at the Office of Enabling Technologies, U-M Medical School.

**Li Min** completed his Ph.D. in Anthropological Archaeology in the Department of Anthropology in summer 2008. His dissertation was entitled *Conquest, Concord, and Consumption: Becoming Shang in Eastern China*. He is currently an assistant professor at UCLA, joint appointment between the Dept. of Asian Language and Cultures and Institute of Archaeology and will be teaching East Asian archaeology.

**Matthew Noellert** completed his M.A. in Asian Studies: China in winter 2008. His thesis was entitled *Chasing Shadows: Understanding the Origins of the Zhuāngzǐ*. Currently, Matt is in Japan participating in WWOOF Japan, an international cultural exchange/living/work organization and plans on applying to a Ph.D. program in the fall.

**Alice Yao** completed her Ph.D. in Anthropology in winter 2008. Her dissertation was entitled *Culture Contact and Social Change along China's Ancient Southwestern Frontier, 900 B.C.–100 A.D.* Currently, she holds a fellowship to do research at the Institute for the Study of the Ancient World at New York University and has accepted a tenure-track position teaching archaeology at the Mississauga campus of Toronto University.

## Incoming MA Students for Fall 2008

**Sarah M. Brooks** graduated from Vanderbilt University in 2007 with a BA in Asian Studies: China. Her main interest is women's studies in China.

**Jason Lin** was born in Taiwan and immigrated to the US as a child. He graduated from the University of California, Los Angeles with a BA in Political Science and International Relations in 2004. He decided to apply for the MBA/MA in Asian Studies:China dual degree because he wants to pursue a graduate program that will encompass and synthesize both his cultural and professional background while preparing him for a career as a strategy consultant in China.

**Philip Rogers** was admitted to the Ford School in fall 2007, but deferred one year and decided to apply for the MPP/MA in Asian Studies: China dual degree. He graduated from the University of Michigan in 2006 with a BA in Economics and his career goal is to work for the State Department and the CIA.

**Brandon Soloski** received a BA in Political Science and Government from Union College in 2003. He has had two internships: one at the Beijing Center for Policy Research, a division of the Carter Center's China Program and the other at the Congressional Executive Commission on China in Washington DC. Presently he is Assistant Director at the Shanghai office of the Alliance for Global Education. Brandon is a MPP/MA dual degree student.

## Incoming Ph.D. Students for Fall 2008

**Martino Dibeltulo** will be studying Tibetan Buddhism in the Department of Asian Languages and Cultures. He completed his BA in Languages and Cultures of Eastern Asia and an MA in East Asian Languages and Civilizations from Ca'Foscari University of Venice.

**Qing Lai** will be pursuing graduate work in social demography and population studies in the Department of Sociology, after having completed a BA in English Language and Literature from Anhui University and an MA in Sociology from Temple University.

**Kathy Lin** will be entering the Population Studies Program in the Department of Sociology to do graduate work within public health and medical sociology. She completed her BA in Sociology and Mathematical Methods in Global Health from Northwestern University.

**Ryan Monarch** completed his BA in Economics from University of Chicago and will be entering the Department of Economics in the fall. His research interests include emerging economies, economic reform and transitions, and economic history.

**Ignacio Villagran** did his undergraduate work in Political Science and Government at the Universidad Nacional de Buenos Aires and completed an MA in International Relations from Escuela de Defensa Nacional in Buenos Aires and an MA in Asian Studies: China from El Colegio de Mexico. He will be pursuing graduate work in early Chinese political history in the Department of Asian Languages and Cultures.

by John Schurrer, CCS MA/MPP dual degree student

As a Peace Corps Volunteer in Lanzhou I became fascinated with social stratification in Northwest China. My work in Zanzibar (Tanzania) instilled a desire to develop the skills needed to evaluate development programs. As a result, I decided to pursue a dual-degree in Chinese Studies and Public Policy at Michigan. I knew I would go to China for academic reasons, but I didn't anticipate going in a professional capacity. The tragic earthquake in China provided the latter opportunity.

The Ford School of Public Policy requires a ten-week internship, which I completed in Santa Barbara at Direct Relief International. Founded in 1948, Direct Relief is a privately funded, non-partisan and non-religious organization that provides material medical assistance to partner organizations worldwide.

I had only been at Direct Relief for one week when the earthquake struck. On May 22, I accompanied Direct Relief's Emergency Response Coordinator to Chengdu. I had previously lived in Chengdu and my familiarity with the city and local dialect helped us navigate day-to-day activities. Through my Peace Corps connections, we met with doctors and officials in Beijing, Chengdu, Mianzhu, and Guanghan.

We saw the devastation first-hand during our visit to Mianzhu, Hanwang, and Jiulong. Despite the magnitude of the tragedy, however, the perseverance of the human spirit was evident. We met two young boys who "adopted" a three-year old girl whose mother was killed. They played with her to keep her spirits up. We also met several amputees who, despite their injuries, smiled and were thankful to be alive. An older woman recovering from an assortment of broken bones laughed and joked as her daughter-in-law washed her hair for the first time in two weeks.

Many relief efforts have focused on immediate material support. However, physical and mental scars remain long after reporters have moved to the next story. Rehabilitation is a lengthy process for amputees, particularly for children. As children grow, prosthetic limbs require readjustment and resizing. Similarly, counseling is not completed in one or two sessions. For those living in poor and remote areas, access to these specialized services may be difficult. Those looking to provide assistance should consider developing partnerships with Chinese health care providers who service the most vulnerable populations, especially children.

The interdisciplinary background I gained in the CCS program allowed us to work efficiently and accomplish a great deal during our one-week trip. Using the knowledge and skills gained in my coursework, I was able to provide insight on relevant aspects of China's bureaucracy, legal system, and history. As I write this, Direct Relief is in the process of establishing importation channels to direct aid to specific organizations. I am confident the skills I gained during my studies improved Direct Relief's chances of providing targeted assistance.

In addition to my internship, I continue to work on my CCS thesis, which is a quantitative study of occupational attainment among selected minority groups in Northwest China. I plan to graduate in December and hope to combine my China specific knowledge with my quantitative analytic skills in a future career.



Photos courtesy of John Schurrer

## Student Perspective

## Asia Library

by Mei-ying Lin, Coordinator of Technical Services

**E-Source Materials:** In the late 1990s, the Asia Library created a computing facility dedicating to CJK languages. The facility provides OCR, handwriting and voice recognition systems, machine translation, and connectivity to numerous Asian research databases. Asia Library provides nearly 1,500 electronic resources, along with access to records in the Research Library Information Network and the Online Computer Library Center. An extensive list of online and print reference tools – in both English and CJK languages – is available from the website: [www.lib.umich.edu/asia/ref.htm](http://www.lib.umich.edu/asia/ref.htm).

### U-M Asia Library Database Subscriptions: China

**Wanfang Chinese Studies Online 万方中国研究在线** (full text: U-M affiliates only) Provided by Wanfang Database Co. for both single and cross databases search. Currently includes the following three online databases:

**China Online Journals (COJ) in Arts/Hum., Social Sciences** (万方数字化期刊) Features core journals in the Business, Economics, Arts, Humanities, Law, Politics and Social Sciences, as well as a very broad collection of Chinese university journals. Its years of coverage are from 1997 to present. Back issues are constantly being added.

**Dissertations of China (DOC) in Arts/Hum., Social. Sciences** (万方学位论文数据库) Holds full-text, or abstracts and other descriptive information of Masters, Doctoral, and Post-doctoral dissertations from major Chinese research institutions from 1986 onward. Document delivery service is also available upon request.

**Policies and Laws of China (PLOC)** (万方中国政策法规数据库) Provides valuable information on Chinese jurisdiction, legislature, and business laws and holds more than 134,000 records covering a comprehensive range of Chinese policies, regulations, and laws of both national and regional levels from 1949 onward.

**CNKI Zhongguo zhi wang CNKI 中国知网, 中国知识基础设施工程** (full text: U-M affiliates only) Jointly provided by CNKI and East View Information Services for both single and cross databases search. You can also select "Simplified Chinese" in the upper right corner for using the Chinese interface. Although most articles are available in pdf format, please download CAJ Viewer for better display. Currently includes the following three online databases:

**China Academic Journals Full-text Database (CAJ)** (中国期刊全文数据库) CAJ is the most comprehensive, full-text database of Chinese journals in the world. It contains more than 7,200 journals starting from 1979. Three series databases – Literature/History/Philosophy, Economics/Politics/Law, and Education/Social Science – are included. Coverage: 1994 onward.

**Century Journals Project (CJP)** (世纪期刊人文社科精品数据库) Century Journals Project selects the most important 100 academic journals published in China and digitizes all issues since their very first issue up till 1993 in an effort to expand the China Academic Journals Full-text Database. Coverage: 1950–1993.

**China Core Newspaper Databases (CCND)** (中国重要报纸全文数据库) CCND selects core newspaper articles published in mainland China since 2000. Coverage: 2000 onward.

### China Data Online 中国数据在线

(U-M campus access; jointly provided by China Data Center)

Collection of databases including: statistical yearbooks, census data and other databases.

### Wen yuan ge Si ku quan shu nei lian wang ban 文淵閣四庫全書內聯網版

 (full text: U-M campus access)

Provides full text access to the Wenyuange edition of Si ku quan shu, a comprehensive collection of Chinese scholarship in various subjects up to the 18<sup>th</sup> century. System requirements include: Windows OS and Internet Explorer and Chinese Input Program. There are also CD-ROM version for use in Asia Library CJK computing room only and printed version (Buhr Shelving Facility AC 149 .S72 2003)

### The Complete Classics Collection of Ancient China 古今圖書集成

 (full text: U-M affiliates only) A full-text searchable online

database of the 1934 Zhonghua shuju (中華書局) edition with original text, illustrations, and punctuation. Edited by Chen Menglei (陳夢雷), this compendium of classic Chinese texts was first published in 1726. Note: The top menu on the main page would only display properly in Internet Explorer. Users with other browsers could go to "Advanced Search 進階搜尋" (next to the "GO" button) instead to see the complete menu.

### CHANT: Chinese Ancient Texts 漢達文庫

 (U-M campus access)

Collection of databases including the following (the last two can be seen as online versions of 先秦兩漢古籍逐字索引叢刊 and 魏晉南北朝古籍逐字索引叢刊): 甲骨文資料庫: 收錄13冊《甲骨文合集釋文》及《英國所藏甲骨集》等7種海外所藏甲骨卜辭資料, 重新整理、校勘。

竹簡帛書資料庫: 收錄出土簡帛文獻包括《武威漢簡》、《馬王堆漢墓帛書銀雀山漢簡》、《睡虎地秦墓竹簡》等多種, 附釋文、圖像逐簡對照顯示。

先秦兩漢資料庫: 收錄先秦兩漢所有傳世文獻, 合共超過九百萬字; 全部文獻採用舊刻善本重新校勘。

魏晉南北朝資料庫: 收錄魏晉六朝全部傳世文獻, 合共超過二千四百萬字; 大部分文獻重新加上標點符號, 又比對不同版本, 全面紀錄異文資料。

### iSinoLaw 中华法律网

 (U-M campus access; provided by the UM

Law Library) Primary and secondary Chinese legal materials, in traditional and simplified Chinese, Japanese and English. Access is limited to 3 concurrent users.

For a listing of the Japanese and Korean language reference materials, please access the website of the U-M Asia Library.

### China Data Center

As part of the recent relocation of various centers at the International Institute, the China Data Center was moved to a building on East Huron near the Power Center, close to where Fletcher Street dead ends into East Huron. Their current address is:

China Data Center  
Room 206  
1007 East Huron Street  
Ann Arbor, MI 48104  
Tel: 734-647-9610  
Fax: 734-763-0335  
e-mail: [chinadata@umich.edu](mailto:chinadata@umich.edu)

Stop by and visit them in their new office location!

## Resources

## New Chinese Gallery At The UMMA

by **Natsu Oyobe**, Interim Associate Curator of Asian Art, U-M Museum of Art

After a landmark expansion and restoration project, the University of Michigan Museum of Art will reopen its doors to public in the spring of 2009. The presence of Asian art in the reimagined UMMA will greatly expand with five permanent galleries devoted to the arts of China, Korea, Japan, South and Southeast Asia, and Buddhism, all located in the airy Maxine and Stuart Frankel and the Frankel Family Wing. The new Chinese gallery will be named The Shirley Chang Gallery of Chinese Art to honor the late wife of retired urologist Dr. Cheng-Yang Chang.

UMMA has long been known for its strong collection of Chinese art, particularly ceramics and literati art. The Shirley Chang Gallery of Chinese Art will be divided into five sections roughly following chronological history of Chinese art, highlighting these two traditions. The first section presents the Neolithic and Bronze Age cultures (3500 BCE–1000 BCE), including hand-built and boldly painted earthenware pots, jades, and bronze ritual wares. The adjacent section is dedicated to works made for mortuary purposes from the Han through the Tang periods, especially ceramic replicas of objects for the afterlife and imagery related to paradise. The next section, which occupies one entire wall, presents a rich collection of Chinese ceramics. Special attention will be paid to the

development of kiln and glaze technology that closely relate to political and social history. The following section shows calligraphy and painting, which will be displayed in a ceiling-high glass case that can accommodate large Chinese paintings, some of which can reach to three meters. The last case in the gallery will display a wonderful collection of Chinese folk art recently donated by the late Richard Laing and art historian Ellen Laing.

In addition to the collections galleries, the new UMMA will include an "open storage" gallery to showcase even more of its premier collections of virtually storage rooms with glass doors. The new, state-of-the-art Asian art conservation lab should also be a great interest to many. With its glass walls and doors, the lab will offer visitors the opportunity to observe the fascinating process of restoring Asian paintings and prints.

The new UMMA will also boast an auditorium, classrooms, and community meeting rooms that can be used for teaching and additional programming. We strongly hope that this dynamic new environment for learning and discovery will foster the exciting intellectual partnerships developed with all of the Asian area centers, including the Center for Chinese Studies, as it reflects UMMA's longstanding commitment to Asian art.

University of Michigan Museum of Art, View from State Street



*Large Storage Jar*, China, Majiayao Culture (2600BCE–2300BCE), earthenware with mineral pigments, Gift of Domino's Pizza, Inc., 1993/1.46



*Flat Basket*, Taiwan, 20<sup>th</sup> century, woven bamboo, Gift of Ellen and Richard Laing, 2006/2.36



# CCS Needs Your Help

*The President's Challenge Fall 2008:  
Support Graduate Student Fellowships in Chinese Studies*

**U**-M President Mary Sue Coleman has created the President's Challenge to enhance funding for one of the University of Michigan's highest priorities: financial aid for graduate students. Fellowships and other awards allow U-M and the Center for Chinese Studies to compete with peer institutions in attracting the brightest and most creative graduate students and supporting them through rigorous academic endeavors.

Under the President's Challenge, your gift to the Center for Chinese Studies for graduate student fellowship funding will be matched 1:2 by additional funds from the Challenge monies. That is, every \$2 contributed for graduate student support before the end of Fall Term 2008 will be matched by \$1 from the President.

**Corporate Matches** for an employee's gift are eligible to be matched by the Challenge if the money comes in before December 31, 2008.

**Expendable Gifts** of any amount to a CCS fund designated for student support will be matched by the President. The matching monies will go into a CCS endowed fund that will be used for student support now and in the future.

**New Endowments:** A pledge or gift of \$50,000 or more will create a named donor endowed fund and is eligible to be matched by the President's Challenge.

**Time Frame:** The Challenge will run until either December 31, 2008, or until \$40 million is committed university-wide in gifts to support graduate students.

We hope that you will contribute generously to our effort to build the Center's ability to create graduate student fellowships in Chinese Studies by sending your gift or pledge today. Please return this form with your check to CCS or contact us directly at 734-764-6308.

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## Winter 2009 University Musical Society

Silk Road Ensemble with Yo Yo Ma 8:00pm on March 13-14 at Hill Auditorium  
For more information, please contact UMS at: 734-764-2538 or at [www.ums.org](http://www.ums.org)

