

# **CKS NEWSLETTER**

Center for Korean Studies, University of California, Berkeley

# Message from the Chair

Dear Friends of CKS, Colleagues and Students:

As we look forward to the thirtieth anniversary of the Center for Korean Studies (CKS) in 2009, we welcome our friends, colleagues, visiting scholars, and students to a year of new programs that we have scheduled for 2008–2009.

In addition to continuing with the regular programs of past years, we began this year with the conference "Places at the Table," an in-depth exploration of Asian women artists with a strong focus on Korean art. We presented a conference on "Reunification: Building Permanent Peace in Korea" (October 10) and a screening of the documentary film "Koryo Saram" (October 24). "Strong Voices," a forum on Korean and American women poets, is scheduled for April 1–5, 2009. We are in the early planning stages for a dialogue on Korean poetry between Professor Robert Hass of UC Berkeley and Professor David McCann of Harvard, in conjunction with performances of Korean pansori and gayageum (September 2009). Providing that funding is approved by the Korea Foundation, an international conference on Korean Peninsula security issues (organized by Professor Hong Yung Lee) is also planned for next year. The list of colloquium speakers, conferences, seminars, and special events is now available on the CKS website. (See page 2 for the fall and spring schedule.)

We welcome novelist Kyung Ran Jo as our third Daesan Foundation Writer-in-Residence. Ms Jo, whose novels have won many awards, will give lectures and share her writing with the campus community through December of this year. Her books have been translated into English. We congratulate her for receiving the Dongin Literary Prize, which she will accept in Korea next month.

Three ongoing projects supported by the Academy of Korean Studies (AKS)—Visual Culture in Modern East Asia; Movement, Modernization and Modernity; and Developmental Strategies and Economic Institutions—are about to conclude their first year of research, culminating with a conference on November 21. The second-year phase will unfold in 2009. In conjunction with the projects, Professor Jahyun Haboush of Columbia University will be our first Distinguished Guest Lecturer next spring.

This academic year, we are extremely fortunate to have two outstanding visiting professors. Professor Roger Janelli is offering a course on Korean vernacular culture (fall 2008), and Professor Ken Wells is teaching Korean history throughout the year. Both are scheduled to speak on our colloquium series. In the spring of 2008, Professor Jinsoo An offered two courses on Korean film and literature, the first of their kind on the Berkeley campus, through the Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures. These courses are made available to UC Berkeley students with generous support from the Koret Foundation and the Academy of Korean Studies. We are especially grateful to the Koret Foundation, whose grants made not only the Korean literature, sociology, film, culture, and history courses available in the past three years, but have also supported graduate student fellowships and will continue to do so for another three years.

As always, we thank all CKS friends, the Academy of Korean Studies, the Koret Foundation, the Korea Foundation, the Daesan Foundation, the International Communication Foundation, and Chairman Charlie Cho for their support in strengthening Korean studies at the University of California, Berkeley.

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Clare You Chair, Center for Korean Studies

#### Schedule of Events, 2008-2009

(All events are held at the IEAS Conference Room, 2223 Fulton Street, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, unless otherwise noted.)

- August 29, 2008 (Friday), 4:00 p.m. <u>Colloquium</u>: "Munjado during the Joseon Dynasty: The Relation between Confucianism and Folk Art" Byungmo Chung, Professor of Cultural Properties, Gyeongju University
- September 12, 2008 (Friday), 3:00 p.m. <u>Colloquium</u>: "Korean Women Artists: Two Perspectives" Youngna Kim and Hyungmin Chung, Professors of Art History, Seoul National University
- September 13, 2008 (Saturday), 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. *(co-sponsored with the Institute of East Asian Studies)* <u>Conference</u>: "Places at the Table: Asian Women Artists and Gender Dynamics" (Berkeley Art Museum)
- October 8, 2008 (Wednesday), 4:00 p.m. (co-sponsored with the Institute of East Asian Studies) <u>Book Talk</u>: "Tradition, Treaties, and Trade Qing Imperialism and Choson Korea, 1850–1910" Kirk Larsen, Professor of History, Brigham Young University
- October 10, 2008 (Friday), 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. *(co-sponsored with Korea Policy Institute)* <u>Conference</u>: "Reunification: Building Permanent Peace in Korea" (UC Berkeley Alumni House)
- October 24, 2008 (Friday), 4:00 p.m. <u>Colloquium</u>: "Koryo Saram: The Unreliable People" (film screening and discussion) Y. David Chung, Professor of Art and Design, University of Michigan (Gaia Arts Center, 2120 Allston Way)
- October 28, 2008 (Tuesday), 4:00 p.m. <u>Colloquium</u>: "Writing and Censorship During the Japanese Colonial Period: The Case of Yi Sang's Poetry" Kwon Youngmin, Professor of Korean Literature, Seoul National University (lecture in Korean)
- November 7, 2008 (Friday), 4:00 p.m. <u>Colloquium</u>: "Maritime Customs in the 1880s: A New Look at Korea's 'Chinese Decade."" Wayne Patterson, Professor of History, St. Norbert College
- November 21, 2008 (Friday) Workshop: Academy of Korean Studies research projects
- December 2, 2008 (Tuesday), 4:00 p.m. <u>Colloquium</u>: "Making Heritage in South Korea" Roger Janelli, Professor of Folklore and Ethnomusicology and EALC, Indiana University
- December 12, 2008 (Friday), 4:00 p.m. <u>Colloquium</u>: "Korean Youth and Nationalism" Katharine H. S. Moon, Professor of Political Science, Wellesley College
- January 30, 2009 (Friday), 4:00 p.m. <u>Colloquium</u>: title TBA; Hagen Koo, Professor of Sociology, University of Hawai'i at Manoa
- February 13, 2009 (Friday), 4:00 p.m. <u>Colloquium</u>: title TBA; Ken Wells, Professor of Korean History, Australian National University
- February 27, 2009 (Friday), 4:00 p.m. <u>Colloquium</u>: title TBA; Myung-koo Kang, Professor of Government, Claremont McKenna College
- March 13, 2009 (Friday), 4:00 p.m. <u>Colloquium</u>: "Pyongyang, Capital of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea: Alternate Realities" Marsha Haufler, Professor of Art History, University of Kansas
- April 1–5, 2009 (Wednesday–Sunday) <u>Conference and Reading</u>: "Strong Voices," a forum on Korean and American women poets (schedule TBA)
- April 17, 2009 (Friday), 4:00 p.m. <u>Colloquium</u>: title TBA; Nam-lin Hur, Professor of Asian Studies, University of British Columbia
- May 1, 2009 (Friday), 4:00 p.m. <u>Colloquium</u>: title TBA; Hye-Sook Wang, Professor of East Asian Studies, Brown University

#### Grants

The Center for Korean Studies gratefully acknowledges continuing support from the Koret Foundation for Korean studies courses and graduate student fellowships. This year we welcome Professor Roger Janelli from the University of Indiana, who is teaching a course on Korean vernacular culture. Graduate students Jung Hwan Lee (Political Science) and Andrea Kwon (History) were selected as Koret fellows. The International Communication Foundation offered a generous fellowship for an entering graduate student, which was awarded to Soo Mi Lee (EALC). A \$1 million grant over five years by the Academy of Korean Studies funds three groups of related research projects and involves over twenty graduate students and faculty. The Center will hold its first research workshop for the AKS grant on November 21, with another conference planned for 2009 in Korea. The Korea Foundation generously supported the visits of eminent art historians Chung Hyung-Min and Kim Youngna from Seoul National University. These two scholars spoke at our colloquium series and participated in the "Places at the Table" conference on Asian women artists presented by the Institute of East Asian Studies.

#### Activities at the Center

In the 2007–2008 academic year, the Center for Korean Studies hosted some twenty-five public events, including colloquia and symposia, public forums, conferences, a performance of traditional dance, and lectures co-sponsored with other departments. Hun Joo Park's *Diseased* Dirigisme: *The Political Sources of Financial Policy toward Small Business in Korea* was published as Korea Research Monograph 31. IEAS Publications also released a volume of primary sources that functions as a companion to Michael Finch's *Min Yŏng-hwan: A Political Biography.* 

## Vísítíng Scholars and Research Associates

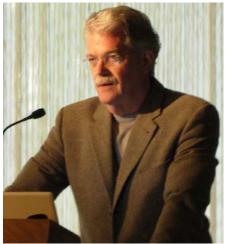
The Center for Korean Studies continues to maintain an active visiting scholar program, inviting academic researchers and qualified professionals to UC Berkeley for one year. CKS currently hosts seventeen visiting scholars. The Korean Visiting Scholar Association (KVSA) conducts informal seminars for their members to present research. These lectures are held approximately once per month. Those interested in obtaining a schedule of visiting scholar events should contact Professor Jun Kwangbaek, chairman of the KVSA, at <u>kbjun@sungshin.ac.kr</u>.

#### Daesan Foundation Writer-in-Residence Program

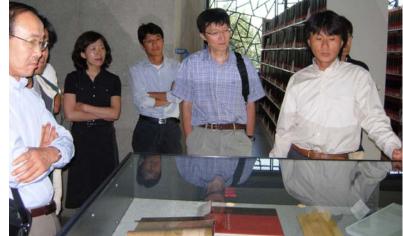
The Center continues its fruitful Writer-in-Residence program with support from the Daesan Foundation. We are honored to host Ms. Jo Kyung Ran as the third Writer-in-Residence. She joins past writers Kim Yeonsu and Kim Ki-taek. CKS concluded an agreement with the Foundation to extend the program for three more years, through 2011.

Institution	Fellowship	Details	Website	Deadline
UC Berkeley	Koret	\$10,000 awarded to	available in November on CKS website	Dec. 19,
Center for	Foundation	UC Berkeley	(http://ieas.berkeley.edu/cks/)	2008
Korean	Fellowship	graduate students		
Studies	-	doing research in		
		Korean studies		
Academy of	Fellowship	Support for	http://www.aks.ac.kr/eng home/notice/	Oct. 31,
Korean	Program for	dissertation research	notice read.asp?num=62&group id=62	2008
Studies	Korean Studies	in Korea		
Korea	Korean Studies	Support for students	http://www.aasianst.org/grants/	Jan. 31,
Foundation	Scholarship	through advancement	main.htm#AAS/KOREA	2009
	Program	to candidacy, must be		
		in residence, not for		
		overseas research		
UC Berkeley	Graduate	Various	http://www.grad.berkeley.edu/	Various
	Division		financial/deadlines.shtml	
	Fellowships and			
	Awards			

## Fellowship Announcements



Bruce Cumings (University of Chicago) speaks at the Reunification conference.



Jaeyong Chang, Librarian for the Korean Collection at the East Asian Library, gives a tour for the CKS visiting scholars.



The delegates of the first annual Korea America Student Conference gather with guest speakers for a group photo in the IEAS Conference Room. The conference was co-hosted by four American universities, including UC Berkeley, in July 2008. Student delegates from both countries attended the program, which will be held again next year in Korea.

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