

**2009 CEAL Committee on Membership Program
–Talking With Experienced Librarians Round Table**

Time: Wednesday, March 25, 7:30 PM-9:00 PM
Location: Sheraton Hotel in Chicago, Missouri Room
Facilitator: Jade Atwill, Penn State University

During the 2009 CEAL/AAS annual conference, the CEAL Committee on Membership proudly presents three “Talking with Experienced Librarians Round Table” sessions open to all CEAL members and interested individuals:

1. Tips and Tricks for Public Services–Strategies for handling difficult situations
Moderator: Donghee Sinn (dsinn@uamail.albany.edu), SUNY Albany
Special Guest: Xiuying Zou (xiz42@pitt.edu), University of Pittsburgh

Public service librarians encounter various situations, some of which are pleasant, some are less so. Our roundtable discussion will include, but not limit to the discussion on strategies for dealing with difficult patrons and difficult situations, public service needs vs. administrative support, and cultural differences.

2. Issues and Interests on Technical Services–My favorite cataloging resource: what’s yours?
Moderator: Hikaru Nakano (hiknaka@uflib.ufl.edu), University of Florida
Special Guest: Shi Deng (sdeng@ucsd.edu), UC San Diego

This round table will focus on issues surrounding technical service. Concerns towards RDA era? Having a problem to input CJK scripts in authority records? A sole cataloger dealing with three (or more) languages? Seeking clearinghouses of cataloging resources?

3. Getting Involved in CEAL– Opportunities to Participate in the Future of East Asia Libraries in North America
Moderator: Rob Britt (rrbritt@u.washington.edu), University of Washington
Special Guest: Xi Chen (xchen@oberlin.edu), Oberlin College

This is an open-ended roundtable discussion focusing on the many ways to get involved in CEAL. Discussions can include questions such as: What do the CEAL committees do? Can anyone participate? How do I become a committee chair? How can use CEAL as a way to work for change in East Asia libraries?

These topics and questions are just suggestions, and only starting points. Successful roundtables depend on the participants. Please come ready to join in and discuss our organization and profession, how it works, and how to make it better.

These are informal and interactive discussions and exchanges of ideas and experiences among participants on issues of common interest to East Asian librarians. We welcome and encourage pre-meeting questions related to, but not limited to the three topics to Jade Atwill (yya2@psu.edu).