

# CEAL 2026 Annual Meeting Program



**March 11-12, 2026,  
Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada**

**All meetings are scheduled in Pacific Standard Time (PST).**

**Please note that Daylight Savings Time starts on Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026.**  
(time zone [converter](#))

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*\*Programs marked with\* are non-CEAL programs but listed in the schedule for conference attendees' convenience.*

## **CEAL Pre-Conference & Events**

### **March 5 (Thursday), 2026 Virtual Program via Zoom**

**Tentative CTP Workshop Program (1:00pm - 6:30pm EST)** (time zone [converter](#))

**\*The following program time is all in EST**

1:00 pm – 1:40 pm     Bibframe theory and practice  
1:40-1:50pm w/10 min Q&A

1:50 pm – 2:30 pm     Scriptshifter: what is it and how it helps  
2:30-2:40pm w/10 min Q&A

2:40 pm – 3:20 pm     OCLC MARC to BibFrame Crosswalk (demo)  
3:20-3:30pm w/10 min Q&A

3:30 pm - 3:40 pm     BREAK

3:40 pm – 4:20 pm     Entity Management Cooperative  
4:20-4:30pm w/10 min Q&A

4:30 pm – 5:30 pm     CJK NACO Updates  
5:30-5:40pm w/10 min Q&A

5:40 pm – 6:30 pm     CJK BIBCO, SACO, CONSER Updates

## March 10 (Tuesday), 2026 \*Global Knowledge Initiative (GKI)

\*The following program time is all in PST

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Librarian Network Program (LNP)  
Venue & Program details: *(forthcoming)*

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## CEAL Conference & Events DAY 1 All meetings below are scheduled in Pacific Standard Time (PST)

### March 11 (Wednesday) | Vancouver Convention Center West Meeting Room 301

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8:00am – 9:00am CEAL EB Meeting I (Open to EB Members ONLY)

9:30am - 10:00am CEAL Business Meeting (Open to All CEAL Members)

### Theme: Reimagining East Asian Libraries and Collections Opportunities and Collaborations

For nearly seven decades, the United States has stood as a global leader in International and Area Studies. Its higher education institutions have produced world-renowned scholars and published more monographs on East Asian Studies than the combined output of the next four countries in the field. U.S.-based East Asian Studies programs have trained generations of students from around the world, offering perspectives and resources often unavailable in their home countries. Today, however, we face a critical juncture. Deep and unprecedented cuts to financial support, the withholding of research funding, the elimination of area studies librarian positions, the suspension of graduate programs, and the dismantling federal support dedicated to library and museum have created a deeply concerning landscape. These developments threaten the vitality of East Asian libraries and collections and cast uncertainty over the future of our work. In response, CEAL is actively pursuing new opportunities for collaboration with partners who share our commitment to excellence in teaching, research, and community engagement. We aim to strengthen international partnerships, support open access initiatives, and promote primary source literacy—ensuring that our collections and services remain vibrant, accessible, and relevant.

This year's theme, Reimagining East Asian Libraries and Collections, invites reflection and dialogue among University Librarians, East Asian studies librarians and faculty members, funding agency representatives, and other stakeholders. Together, we will explore how East Asian libraries can deepen engagement with core campus communities, build meaningful connections with local audiences, and reaffirm their critical role in a rapidly changing academic and political environment. In an era marked by geopolitical tension, financial uncertainty, shifting policies, and shrink academic programs, CEAL is committed to building sustainable, collaborative, and globally connected futures. We look forward to engaging with all CEAL members working together to identify key areas for action and to reimagine what East Asian libraries and collections can become.

10:00am – 12:00pm **Plenary Session I - Keynote Speakers**

#### **East Asian Collections in the 21st Century: Reflecting on the Past and Embracing the Future**

- **Dr. Peter Zhou**, Former Assistant University Librarian and Director Emeritus of the C.V. Starr East Asian Library, University of California, Berkeley

**Title** *(TBA)*

- **Dr. David Magier**, Associate University Librarian for Collections and Access Services, Princeton University

12:00pm - 1:00pm	<b>Lunch Break</b>
1:00pm - 3:00pm	<b>Plenary Session II - Roundtable Discussion</b>
3:10pm - 4:00pm	Membership Forum
4:10pm - 5:00pm	Poster session (continues until 6:30pm) <b>Reimagining East Asian Libraries/Collections: Opportunities and Collaborations</b>
5:00pm – 6:00pm	CEAL Social Hour (Sponsored by Royal Collins Publishing Group Inc.)
6:30pm – 7:30pm	ERMB program <b>Librarians as Partners in Knowledge Infrastructure: Metadata and Collaborative East Asian Digital Projects</b>
7:30pm – 8:30pm	CCM Special Session Special Session (Information session on Chinese vendors and services)

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**CEAL Conference & Events DAY 2 All meetings below are scheduled in Pacific Standard Time (PST)**  
**March 12 (Thursday) | Vancouver Convention Center West Meeting Room 301**

8:00am – 8:50am	CEAL EB Meeting II (Open to EB Members ONLY)
9:00am – 10:00am	CKM <b>Better Together: Stories of Collaboration</b>  <b>Collaborative Digital Humanities Project</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Dr. Jude Yang</b>, Korean Studies Librarian, Yale University</li> <li>- <b>Jee-Young Park</b>, Korean Studies Librarian, Stanford University</li> </ul> Showcasing Collaborative Initiatives in Germany <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Dr. Jing Hu</b>, Subject Specialist for Korean Studies, Berlin State Library</li> </ul>
10:15am – 11:15am	CTP
11:30am – 12:30pm	CJM <b>Collaborating to Build Local and Global Collections and Communities for Japanese Studies</b>  Art Research Center’s “Research Space” for Data-Driven Research, in Partnership with Yanai Initiative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Ryo Akama</b>, Professor, Ritsumeikan University</li> <li>- <b>Travis Seifman</b>, Associate Professor, Ritsumeikan University</li> </ul> Minna de Honkoku: A Crowdsourcing Platform for Historical Japanese Documents Connecting Citizens and Libraries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Yuta Hashimoto</b>, Associate Professor, National Museum of Japanese History</li> </ul> A New Approach by the OASE: What Collaboration between Researchers and Librarians Has Brought to Open Access in Japan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Tomomi Yamagata</b>, Secretariat Staff, Open Access for Scholarly Empowerment/Librarian, Tohoku University Library</li> </ul>

12:45pm– 1:45pm	<p><b>Concurrent sessions</b></p> <p>Small Collection Roundtable   <b>Vancouver Convention Center West Meeting Room 304</b></p> <p><i>Focus on the evolving roles and practices within small and medium East Asian collections, sharing our innovative ideas, strategies, and practices in meeting demands and challenges in a fast-changing working environment.</i></p> <p>* NCC  </p>
1:00pm – 3:00pm	<p>* KCCNA   <b>Vancouver Convention Center West Meeting Room 303</b></p>
2:00pm – 3:00pm	<p>CCM</p> <p><b>Resilience Amid Change: Sustaining Chinese Library Collections and Services</b></p>
3:15pm – 4:15pm	<p>CPS</p> <p><b>Partnering for Public Services</b></p> <p>Community Engagement Programming at the UBC Asian Library</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Shirin Eshghi Furuzawa</b>, Head, Asian Library, University of British Columbia</li> </ul> <p>How Do East Asian Studies Faculty Seek Information: Identifying Gaps and Public Service Opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Cheng Yin Zhu</b>, Research Librarian (Management), University of Ottawa</li> </ul> <p>Piecing the Puzzle Together: Rediscovering Early Chinese Students in the U.S. and at the University of Wisconsin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Ying Zhang</b>, Research Librarian for Asian Studies, UC Irvine</li> <li>- <b>Anlin Yang</b>, East Asian Studies Librarian, University of Wisconsin-Madison</li> </ul>
4:30pm – 5:30pm	<p>CLT</p> <p><b>AI Town Hall for East Asian Librarians</b></p> <p>This interactive session will begin with the results of a survey on AI adoption and impact across technical services, collections, and public services, conducted by the Library Technology Committee through Eastlib. A panel of librarians will then share experiences and perspectives, followed by an open forum discussion. The program is designed in a “town hall” style, encouraging active audience participation and dialogue. Together, we will explore both the opportunities and challenges of AI in our profession, while also highlighting what AI cannot replace: human connection, collaboration, and community.</p>

## March 13 (Friday)

9:00am – 1:00pm      \*SCSL Annual Meeting  
venue: *(TBD)*

9:00am – 3:00pm      \*NCC Workshop: Digital Humanities and Digitization Workshop for Japanese Materials

Hosted by: NCC's Comprehensive Digitization and Discoverability Program (CDDP) Task Force, National Institute of Japanese Literature (NIJL), the International Institute for Digital Humanities, and JSPS Grant-in-Aid for Specially Promoted Research (JP25H00001)

venue: At Robson Square Campus, University of British Columbia  
(800 Robson Street, Vancouver, BC, V7Z 3B7, Canada)