

RESEARCH FELLOWS 2008

Lee Kong Chian Research Fellowship Series



Mr Loh Kah Seng (left) and Mr Kelvin Low (right) receiving their Fellowships from Ms Ngian Lek Choh, Director, National Library

The Lee Kong Chian Research Fellowship welcomes two new Research Fellows, Mr Loh Kah Seng and Mr Kelvin Low Eng Yong, both from Singapore. They were awarded their Fellowship by Ms Ngian Lek Choh, Director, National Library at a signing ceremony held on 15 September 2008.

Mr Loh Kah Seng has a Master of Arts (History) from the National University of Singapore (NUS) and a Postgraduate Diploma in Education (Secondary) from the National Institute of Education (NIE), National Technological University (NTU). He is currently a PhD candidate in History at the Asia Research Centre, Murdoch University. His research topic is "Clearing Slums, Building Nations: The Transformation of Cities in Southeast Asia and Hong Kong, 1945 – 1970".

Mr Kelvin Low has a Masters in Social Sciences (Sociology) from NUS and is currently a teaching assistant at the Department of Sociology, NUS. He is also a doctoral candidate at the International Graduate School in Sociology at the University of Bielefeld, Germany. He will be researching on "Media Constructions of Samsui Women Historiography".

The Lee Kong Chian Research Fellowship invites scholars, practitioners and

librarians to undertake collection related research and publish on the National Library of Singapore's prized collections. The Fellowship aims to position the National Library Board as the first stop for Asian collection services. It is open to both local and foreign applicants, who should preferably have an established record of achievement in their chosen field of research and the potential to excel further.

Some of our Donor Collections available for research include the Gibson-Hill Collection, Ya Yin Kwan Collection, Tan Swie Hian Collection and Edwin Thumboo Collection. Donations to the National Library play a significant role in adding diversity and depth and are instrumental in assisting the Library to obtain notable items of heritage value. Such donations support the National Library's aims of promoting active participation from the local communities, thus enriching and preserving our cultural heritage by making them accessible for research and for reading pleasure. More details about our Donor Collections are available online at <http://donors.nl.sg/index.asp>. You can also read all about the Gibson-Hill Collection and the significant titles on pg 20 - 31 in this issue of BiblioAsia.

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