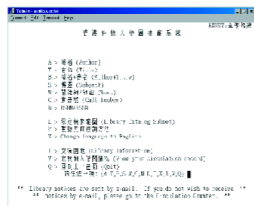




# Highlights - 10 Years of Growth and Achievement

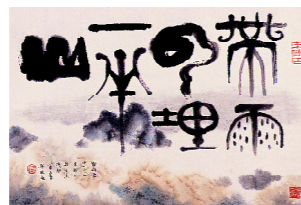
## 1991 - First Library Online Catalog with Full Chinese Capability

HKUST Library was instrumental in bringing INNOPAC out of the USA and in providing expert knowledge to assist them in enhancing the system to support Chinese characters. We also served as the only beta site for debugging and product testing. Since then all academic libraries in Hong Kong and many others in Asia have adopted INNOPAC.



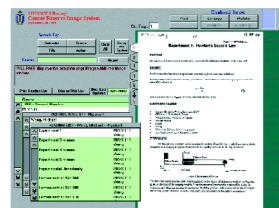
## 1992 - Bringing Art to Campus

To enrich the cultural life on campus, the Library organized the first art exhibition featuring works of prominent artists Huang Miaozi (黃苗子) and Yu Feng (郁風).



## 1993 - Introducing Cutting Edge Technology

Through the years, the Library has introduced many new technologies to the Hong Kong Library Community. In 1993, the Library worked closely with a US-based system vendor to develop an innovative "Image Management System". This system scanned faculty's handwritten notes, images, assigned reading materials etc; and provided sophisticated searching capabilities. It was the first of its kind.



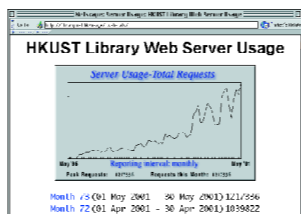
## 1994 - Accessible Compact Shelving

The Library installed the largest and most advanced Compact Shelving System in Asia. It is safe, elegant, electronically operated and user accessible.



## 1995 - First Library Web Server in Hong Kong

When the web technology was first unveiled, the Library responded enthusiastically by developing its website immediately. This server allows users seamless access to library information and collections and provides a gateway to electronic resources worldwide.



May 1995: 18, 180  
May 2001: 1,217, 336

## 1996 - Establishment of the University Archives and Special Collections

Functioning as the institutional memory, the University Archives was formally opened to the university community. The Special Collections, under development since 1991, include Landmarks in Science and Technology, Antique Maps of China and other valuable items which were now available to researchers for the first time.



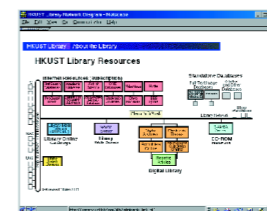
## 1997 - OVID Mirror Site

The Library undertook the responsibility of providing efficient access and retrieval capabilities for a large number of premier full text databases to Hong Kong libraries. The mirror site was the only alternative to access a large body of information as the data transmission rate from USA to Hong Kong was slow.



## 1998 - The Digital Library

Digital Archives, Electronic Theses and HKUST News Clippings were the first digital libraries developed in-house. They provide sophisticated searching and instantaneous full text display. Digital Archives allows users to search and retrieve University documents and publications online; Electronic Theses contains dissertations of our graduate students; and HKUST News Clippings include all university-related full text news online.



## 1999 - Chinese Social Sciences Citation Index Database (CSCSDI)

Partnered with Nanjing University in the production of the first electronic Chinese Social Sciences Citation Index Database.

## 2000 - Collaboration with and honors received from Mainland Universities

The Library has close exchanges with many libraries in the mainland. In recognizing her contributions, our University Librarian was conferred Guest Professorship (客座教授) by Peking University (北京大學) in 2000, Nanjing University (南京大學) in 1999, and Jilin University (吉林大學) in 2001. She was appointed Library Advisor in 1996 by Tsinghua University (清華大學).



## 2001 - PNC Conference

The Library has organized 9 international symposia and conferences in the past ten years. The latest one being the 2001 Pacific Neighborhood Consortium (PNC) Annual Conference co-hosted with City University of Hong Kong, Academia Sinica in Taipei, and the California Digital Library of the University of California at Berkeley. PNC is an international body formed by institutions of higher education on the Pacific Rim to explore issues of information and technology exchange and interdisciplinary collaboration.



## The Library's First Ten Years

### 1991

- The Library opened with a collection of 100,000 books and periodicals
- First fully Chinese-capable multilingual integrated library in the world
- First large-scale campus-wide CD-ROM network in Asian academic libraries
- First OCLC CJK cataloging installation in Asia
- First and only academic library in Hong Kong open to the public

### 1992

- First art exhibition on campus at the Library Gallery
- Installed the largest networked full-text database system in the world
- Organized the first international conference at HKUST - New Information Technology '92

### 1993

- Developed the first Course Reserve Image System in Asia

### 1994

- First and largest publicly-accessible electrically operated mobile shelving system in Asia
- Acquisition of several large Patent Image databases

### 1995

- First and largest academic networked CD-ROM Jukebox System in Asia
- Held the first in a series of Colloquia on Information Science
- First academic library in Hong Kong to set up a Web Server
- First Electronic Reference Library database server in Hong Kong

### 1996

- Opened the University Archives & Special Collections
- The only Library in Asia to participate in the Cataloging Internet Resources project

### 1997

- Established a regional mirror site for Ovid to serve Hong Kong libraries
- Provided consultancy service to OUHK's Electronic Library Project

### 1998

- Developed several Digital Library Projects, including Digital Archives, Electronic Theses, and HKUST News Clippings
- Organized an International Seminar on Chinese Information Processing

### 1999

- Collaborated with Nanjing University to produce the first electronic Chinese Social Sciences Citation Index
- First Asian library to participate in the Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition (SPARC)
- Library instruction classes and orientations reached a record high of 257 sessions with 6,830 attendees
- Began a project to convert 106,626 Chinese language records from Wade-Giles to Pinyin (completed in 2000)
- The first Asian library to participate in the experimental Cooperative Online Resource Catalog (CORC) to catalog Internet Resources using metadata

### 2000

- Expanded collaborations with Peking University Library: book procurement project, staff development and exchange, reciprocal ILL
- Developed an Online Information Literacy tutorial for first-year students
- First & only Asian member library of the Name Authority Cooperative Program
- First & only Asian member library of the Cooperative Online Serials Program

### 2001

- Co-hosted the 2001 PNC Annual Conference and Joint Meetings with City University, HK, Academia Sinica, Taiwan; and the California Digital Library
- First Asian library to participate in the Collaborative Digital Reference Service
- Wireless network access extended to all floors in the Library
- Implemented XML-based digital library databases