

# DISCOVERING HISTORIES OF FOREIGN COMMUNITIES IN JAPAN

A workshop on Research, Archives and Special Collections

**Monday 1 December &  
Tuesday 2 December, 2008**  
National Library of Australia  
Parkes Place, Canberra

This workshop is free and open to the public  
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This two-day workshop brings together an international group of researchers and archivists to discuss the study of the history of foreign communities in Japan. Building on the National Library of Australia's unique Harold Williams Collection, the participants will examine the state of the field with a view to reappraise the potential of archival resources and special collections in Japan for supporting new research agendas. Special attention will be given to identifying newly discovered sources and establishing new research questions that would help break down barriers that have tended to compartmentalize researchers and their work by period, site, ethnicity and discipline.

## Workshop Convenors:

Dr Keiko Tamura (The Australian National University)  
Professor Timothy Tsu (Chinese University of Hong Kong)

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## Public Lectures:

In addition to specialized panel presentations, there will be two public lectures aimed at a wider audience.

These lectures are by two prominent scholars, Professor Tessa Morris-Suzuki (The Australian National University) on the 1st of December, and Professor Brian Burke-Gaffney (Nagasaki Institute of Applied Science) on the 2nd of December.

Other speakers include Marie-Louise Ayres, National Library of Australia; Laixing Chen, University of Hyogo; Izumi Ito, Yokohama Archives of History; Sachiko Morimoto, National Institute for Japanese Language; Hitoshi Soeda, Kobe University; Toru Sugihara, Osaka University; Keiko Tamura, The Australian National University; Timothy Tsu, Chinese University of Hong Kong; David Blake Willis, Soai University and Sankichi Yasui, Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall.

Presentations will be in either English or Japanese, and the public lectures are in English. English résumés will be available for Japanese presentations.