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Celebrate!

As we eagerly countdown to the 100th anniversary celebration of Yale-China's Teaching Fellowship scheduled for October 2, 2010, I have just as much (if not more) excitement and joy for our upcoming reunion and celebration as that exhibited in the cover photo of our YUNA (Yale University—New Asia) Exchange group. We are busily bringing together many components of Yale-China's work, including stories and images, to serve as a reminder of the strong sense of accomplishment, purpose, and sheer fun that imbues Yale-China's programs. This year's YUNA Exchange was a highlight of my first year—the group of individuals involved exemplified the intellectual spirit, pioneering exploration, and infectious fun of Yale-China. Their giddy enthusiasm remains with me and brightened our New Haven winter (see page 9).

We have so much to be joyful about at Yale-China this year. In addition to celebrating the Teaching Fellowship on October 2 in New York City, we will also host a panel entitled “China's Contributions to Global Health: Where Does Yale-China Fit?” at the Yale Club of New York on October 1. To add to the weekend of festivities, I am honored to share that Yale-China has selected its first Yale-China Design and Curatorial Fellow, Ming Thompson (Yale-China Teaching Fellow at Yali Middle School, 2004-2006). Ming, with the endless support of four summer associates, is the curator for a Yale-China exhibit to be held at the Museum of Chinese in America in New York City from September 1 – October 11, 2010 (see page 4).

It will not be a celebration without you! Please mark your calendar for Yale-China's gatherings this fall in New York City.



With joyful jumping,

A handwritten signature in black ink, followed by a red square seal with Chinese characters.

Nancy Yao Maasbach
Executive Director

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Yale-China's greatest strength is the individual human ties that have sustained its work for more than a century. When I served as the Association's representative to Hong Kong and China in the early 1980s, my family and I were the beneficiaries of an enormous reservoir of good will created by the generations who came before us. Today, as in the past, Yale-China touches and changes lives, through exchanges, internships, fellowships and other activities.

It has been my great honor to serve as Chair of this organization that has touched my own life for the last 30 years, and to watch up close the impact it has on countless Americans and Chinese. At a time when the need for balanced, substantive international understanding has never been greater, Yale-China provides important opportunities for Chinese and American citizens to learn from one another. And, as China's role in the

world expands, Yale-China's mission is all the more essential. I leave my position with the full confidence that Yale-China's future is bright and that its mission remains both relevant and urgent. I look forward to keeping abreast of Yale-China's future accomplishments as a member, and hope that you too will share in supporting these critical programs.



Terry E. Lautz
Chair, Board of Trustees, 2004-2010

TERRY LAUTZ

MARCY BROOKS, INCOMING CHAIR

Our two great countries, the United States and China, have followed very different historical paths and developed unique and different values. Now, as each country exercises its global leadership, it is more important than ever that we go the extra mile to understand one another. For more than a century, Yale-China has successfully opened the door for American and Chinese citizens to learn from one another and develop deep, respectful relationships.



This year, we will celebrate our 100th year of teaching in China at an event that will draw more than 500 program alumni, leaders, students, teachers, and supporters from both sides of the Pacific. While our roots are in the fields of education and health, our alumni are leaders in many professions. Those who have enjoyed fellowships in New Haven or China are forever changed by their experiences. I am one such person, having benefited from two years of teaching in Changsha, Hunan, at Xiangya Medical School from 1981-1983. Nearly thirty years later, the learning and relationships from my time in Changsha are among my most treasured experiences and valuable friends.

Yale-China is an innovative organization at its core, always seeking the frontier opportunities to make a difference in the interface between the Yale community and our partners in China. I look forward to serving as Chair of this dynamic organization, and hope that you will join me in supporting its important work.

Martha Finn Brooks
Yale '81, Yale SOM '86

This fall, the Museum of Chinese in America (MOCA) in New York City will host an exhibit that explores the personal narratives behind Yale-China's long history of cross-cultural exchange. *Both Here and There: Yale-China and a Century of Transformative Encounters* includes personal accounts, images, and artifacts that together explore the profound power of grassroots exchange on communities, cultures, and individuals an ocean apart. *Both Here and There*, organized by Yale-China, will be on view at MOCA from September 1 through October 11, 2010.

'BOTH HERE AND THERE' PREMIERES IN SEPTEMBER IN NEW YORK CITY



Exterior of the Museum of Chinese in America. Courtesy of Maya Lin Studio/Museum of Chinese in America. The MOCA is located at 215 Centre Street in Chinatown, New York City.

"Yale-China's exchange programs have played an essential part in Chinese-American history—for people of Chinese descent who have come to the United States, and for Americans who have worked and learned abroad," says S. Alice Mong, MOCA's director. "Exchange programs are becoming more common now, but Yale-China has a remarkably long history. I think our visitors will enjoy learning about the shared experiences of these early pioneers."

Regardless of the shore to which they traveled, those who took the journey between the United States and China found their lives forever altered by their experiences. For many, Yale-China

programs deeply shaped their sense of identity and produced a lasting empathy for their adopted culture. Whether they returned home or remained, the experience influenced their personal and professional lives, and collectively, new levels of understanding that guided the direction of Chinese-American relations. Their stories will be told through photography, oral history, and film, including rare footage from early twentieth century China.

"The lives chronicled in this exhibit tell a greater story—one that explores the fundamental desire to be understood," says Yale-China Executive Director Nancy Yao Maasbach. "The

sentiment of *Both Here and There* reminds us that we do not have to choose a singular identity.”

The exhibit is being curated by Yale-China Design and Curatorial Fellow Ming Thompson (Yale ‘04), who recently completed her Master’s in Architecture at the Harvard Graduate School of Design. Ming was a Yale-China Teaching Fellow from 2004 to 2006 at Yali Middle School, and a Yale-China YUNA (Yale University—New Asia Exchange) participant from 2001-2002. “My time as a Yale-China Teaching Fellow changed the way I

up in Japan and recently graduated with a Bachelor’s in Economics from the University of Minnesota; Dao Liu, who has a Master’s in translation in German, Japanese, and Chinese from the University of Bonn, and is originally from Sichuan province; Carolyn Greene, a Connecticut native and rising senior at Fairfield University, who is pursuing a double major in art history and Chinese; and Xinrui Zeng, who hails from Yunnan province and is a rising junior at Cornell College, studying psychology, economics, and business.

In the exhibit,
we hope to show
just a few of the
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up the history
and future of
Yale-China.”

– Ming Thompson



Back row, from left: Dao Liu, Carolyn Greene, Xinrui Zeng. Front, from left: Chelsea Xin Chai and Ming Thompson

see the world and my place in it,” says Ming. “For those of us who have been involved with this organization, our Yale-China experience is forever carried with us, perhaps through the direction of a career path, through lasting personal relationships, or through having gained a profound understanding and appreciation for another part of the world. In the exhibit, we hope to show just a few of the thousands of stories that make up the history and future of Yale-China.”

Working with Ming on the exhibit is a team of full-time Yale-China summer associates, who are volunteering their energy, enthusiasm, and sharp research skills to the project, pro bono. They are: Chelsea Xin Chai, a native of Manchuria, who grew

The exhibit is part of a series of events that Yale-China is organizing to celebrate the centennial of the Yale-China Teaching Fellowship, which began in 1909.

MOCA is the leading national museum dedicated to preserving and presenting the history and culture of people of Chinese descent in the United States. From its Maya Lin-designed home on the border of Chinatown and SoHo in New York City, MOCA collects and displays historical and cultural artifacts, and organizes traveling exhibitions, classes, discussions, and events that explore all aspects of the Chinese-American experience in the United States. To learn more, please visit www.mocanyc.org.



Yale-China News

ANNOUNCING THE JAMES R. LILLEY MEMORIAL GIFT FUND FOR YALE-CHINA

Yale-China is proud to have been selected by the Lilley family as the recipient of gifts in honor of the late Ambassador James R. Lilley, who passed away in 2009. Ambassador Lilley (Yale '51) was a devoted Yale graduate and public servant. Career highlights include service as U.S. Ambassador to China (1989-1991) and South Korea (1986-1989). In remarks he made at a Yale-China event in June 2008, he said it gave him great comfort to know that when the U.S.-China relationship was fraught with tension, the Yale-China Association was on the ground, bringing Chinese and Americans together.



The late Ambassador James R. Lilley

The family of the late Ambassador has designated the Yale-China Teaching Fellowship program at Xiuning Middle School in Anhui province as the beneficiary for all funds received. Located in the foothills of China's famed Huangshan (Yellow Mountain), 75 percent of Xiuning Middle School students come from rural backgrounds. Anhui is one of China's poorest provinces, and many Xiuning students have at least one parent who has had to migrate to larger cities for work. Most of the students at the school represent their family's only opportunity for a more secure financial future.

The Lilley family was attracted to the program because of the long-term impact it has both on the school's students, and on an especially promising cohort of Yale graduates, who devote two years of their time to the site as Yale-China Teaching Fellows.

The program at Xiuning Middle School began in 2006 and is one of five Yale-China Teaching Fellowship sites across China. Four Fellows are in residence at Xiuning, and they live on campus along with most of the school's 1,900 students, giving them abundant opportunities to have an impact both inside and outside the classroom.

Contributions to the James R. Lilley Memorial Gift Fund for Yale-China can be sent to the Yale-China Association, PO Box 6023, Hamden, CT, 06517-0023, or can be made via our website at www.yalechina.org/Lilley_fund. Please indicate your gift is for the Lilley Fund.

PACK YOUR BAGS AND JOIN YALE-CHINA AND THE AYA ON A SERVICE TRIP TO ANHUI IN JULY 2011

All Yale University alumni and their families and friends are invited to join us on a special service tour to China next summer. The tour is being organized by Yale-China, in partnership with the Association of Yale Alumni (AYA). The trip will feature a week of service work in Xiuning County, Anhui province, site of Yale-China's Teaching Fellowship Program at Xiuning Middle School.

"The service tour is a chance for us to give Yale University alumni the opportunity to dig deeper into China, beyond just traveling to Beijing and Shanghai, as many tourists do," says Yale-China Executive Director Nancy Yao Maasbach. "We also hope that Yale-China program alumni, friends, and others in our community will join us. Xiuning County is a beautiful place, and the work that our Teaching Fellows have been doing there has been extraordinary."

The trip will take place in July 2011, and further details will be shared with our members and friends as they develop. You can also visit www.yaleservicetours.org for more information.



NEW ASIA COLLEGE CELEBRATES 60 YEARS

Several staff members, friends, and alumni of the Yale-China Association joined more than 1,000 people at the Hong Kong Convention Center on November 29, 2009, to celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of New Asia College.

Yale-China has shared a long history of cooperation with New Asia College, which was founded by the renowned scholar Ch'ien Mu (1895-1990) and other Chinese intellectuals who had fled to Hong Kong after 1949 and were determined to preserve traditional Chinese learning and values.

At the celebration on November 29, Yale-China Executive Director Nancy Yao Maasbach presented the College with a framed tribute that read, in part, "If it is true that sixty years forms the first full life cycle of an individual, then we are inspired and humbled by the fullness of New Asia's first life. New Asia leaves a legacy of generations of faculty, staff, and graduates dedicated to its mission of sincerity and intelligence. Through its years of partnership with the Yale-China Association, New Asia has also contributed to the creation of deep and lasting friendships between Chinese and American people."



Yale-China program alumni, current participants, staff, and friends at New Asia's 60th Anniversary event.

Today, Yale-China continues to send Yale graduates to teach at New Asia for two-year appointments. Other joint programs include the annual Yale University—New Asia (YUNA) Exchange and the Yale-China/New Asia Public Service Exchange. Yale-China also awards three scholarships annually to New Asia College undergraduates. Yale-China's Hong Kong office is based on the New Asia campus, where we prepare to bid a fond farewell to New Asia College Head Henry Wong, who moves on to serve as Pro-Vice-Chancellor/Vice President for Research at Chinese University of Hong Kong, and to New Asia College Secretary Peter Man, who retires next month.



HUNAN NEWSPAPER FEATURES YALE-CHINA

A leading Changsha newspaper, 三湘都市报, devoted two full newspaper pages to Yale-China's history and work in its November 22, 2009 weekend section. The article includes an interview with Nancy Yao Maasbach, Yale-China's executive director, as well as information on the association's long history and current programs in Hunan province. Multiple staff members, Yale-China Changsha-based Teaching Fellows, and other program participants were interviewed by journalist Zhu Ziye for the story. In it, Zhu writes, "Hidden behind the 108 years' history of the Yale-China Association is the magnificent and grand narrative of Chinese history in the 20th century." To see the original Chinese article or to read its English translation, please visit www.yalechina.org.

Education Program News

NEWEST YALE-CHINA TEACHING FELLOWS ARRIVE IN CHINA

Yale-China's newest class of Teaching Fellows has just arrived in China to begin their intensive language and teacher preparation training. The Yale-China Teaching Fellowship began in 1909 and sends Yale College graduates to China for two-year appointments. Yale-China Fellows teach academic writing and oral English courses, as well as American history and culture to Chinese university and high school students. Throughout their assignments, the Fellows also study intensively Chinese language and culture and immerse themselves in a local community.



From left to right: New 2010-2012 Yale-China Teaching Fellows Aaron Reiss, Elizabeth Weissberg, William Whitaker, Gang Chen, Douglass Endrizzi and Chacey Bryan, along with 2010-2011 Yale-China Medical English Fellows Eileen Regan and Lin Shen.

Fellows are chosen from a large and competitive pool of applicants for their cross-cultural agility, teaching ability, academic achievement and commitment to community service. The 2010-2012 Yale-China Fellows from the class of 2010 are Chacey Bryan of Saybrook College, Gang Chen of Davenport College, Douglas Endrizzi of Ezra Stiles College, Aaron Reiss of Branford College, and William Whitaker of Silliman College. Joining them is Elizabeth Weissberg of Saybrook College, a member of the class of 2009.

Yale-China also appoints two Yale-China Medical English Fellows annually who spend a year in China teaching medical English and engaging in clinical and research projects at the Xiangya School of Medicine in Changsha. The 2010-11 Yale-China Medical English Fellows are Eileen Regan of Saybrook College, a member of the class of 2010, and Lin Shen, a third-year student at the Yale School of Medicine.

"This is an absolutely fantastic group of new Fellows," reports Christina Stouder, director of Yale-China's Education Program and Yale-China's Hong Kong office. "Their enthusiasm is contagious, and they have already impressed their language instructors. We can't wait for them to join their second-year counterparts at their host schools this fall."

YUNA EXCHANGE BRINGS YALE AND NEW ASIA STUDENTS TOGETHER TO EXAMINE SUSTAINABILITY

Eight Yale sophomores and juniors spent the past year examining development and sustainability issues with eight of their counterparts from New Asia College at The Chinese University of Hong Kong. Now in its 17th year, the YUNA (Yale University—New Asia) Exchange brings students from New Asia and Yale together each year to engage in a cross-cultural comparison of a common social, political, or cultural theme.

This year's group explored development and sustainability, with the New Asia students spending two weeks at Yale in January, which included visits to the Yale Farm, a conversation on sustainability with Yale Dining, a lecture on sustainable

architecture with Yale professor Michelle Addington, a discussion with Professor Nicholas Robinson on transfer of technology, a lecture by Professor Karen Seto of the School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, and an overall examination of the role of sustainability on campus as a whole through dining, transportation, and other facets of student life.

In Hong Kong, the group visited Hong Kong's Legislative Council, where they met with the Hon. Regina Ip, the legislator from the Hong Kong Island Geographic Constituency, who also serves as Vice Chairperson of the China Reform Council. They also examined express rail development in Hong Kong, urban redevelopment in Wanchai, among other topics. The group also spent two days in Guangzhou, where they spent time examining these issues with mainland Chinese students.

"The YUNA Exchange contributes to the opportunities Yale students have to go to China while distinguishing itself from other programs on campus because of its length and emphasis on partnering Yale undergraduates with Chinese students," explains Katie Molteni Muir, manager of Yale-China's Public Service and Yale Campus Programs. "As Yale's programs for undergraduates become more specialized and require more language and cross-cultural skills, the Yale-China YUNA Exchange remains a valuable introduction to Hong Kong and China for students who have never taken a Chinese language class."

Rachel Corbin (Yale '11), a participant in this year's program, agrees. "I chose to do YUNA because I was interested in sustainability and because I thought Hong Kong would be a cool place to visit, but I've come out with new knowledge and concerns about much more than just sustainability and an experience that was more meaningful than just a sightseeing excursion. YUNA is all about connections: mentally connecting facts and experiences to better understand Hong Kong, connecting with the New Asia students, and building lasting connections with seven fellow Yalies, who were all total strangers to me in October."



YUNA students from Hong Kong and New Haven

YALE-CHINA AWARDS 120 XIANGYA STUDENTS WITH SCHOLARSHIPS



Yale-China Scholarship recipients volunteer at a health clinic

One hundred and twenty students at the Xiangya School of Medicine in Changsha, Hunan, were awarded with Yale-China Scholarships this past year as a part of the Yale-China Scholarship Program. The program began in 2003 as a way of helping Chinese university students in need of financial help to obtain and continue their higher education. Observing the massive expansion in university enrollment and the significant number of talented students' financial hardship, Yale-China set up the scholarship program with funding from a generous anonymous donor and other Yale-China members and friends who are interested in making a difference in these talented young people's lives.

Students are selected for scholarships on the basis of academic performance, commitment to service, and financial need. Beyond providing critical financial assistance to deserving students, the Yale-China

Scholarship has become a coveted honor on campus, representing a form of recognition that helps to bolster student confidence and achievement.

Later this month a group of Yale-China Scholarship recipients from Xiangya will join a team of Yale-China Service Interns on a one-week service project trip to Sichuan province, which will be led by Katie Molteni Muir, director of Yale-China's Public Service and Yale Campus Programs. The Yale-China Service Interns are all Yale College Undergraduates.



Health Program News

YALE-CHINA PROMOTES MEDICAL ETHICS THROUGH BILATERAL EXCHANGE

As a part of our ongoing efforts to contribute to education on research and medical ethics in China, we organized two workshops in Beijing and Changsha in May on the subject of Institutional Review Boards (IRB). An IRB is a committee that evaluates the physical and psychological risks of involving human subjects in research and clinical studies.

“We saw the workshops as an important step toward the further promotion of ethics education and formalization of reviewing social and behavioral science studies that involve human subjects at our partner institutions,” explains Hongping Tian, director of Yale-China’s Health Program. “We have been partnering with the Xiangya School of Medicine on these issues for some time now. This is very pioneering work, and we used some interesting case studies in the workshops that examined these issues within the Chinese context.”

The workshops were led by Sandra Alfano, Chair of the Yale University School of Medicine Institutional Review Board, along with Ann Williams of the Yale Schools of Nursing and Medicine, and Hongping Tian. The workshops were organized with the China Center for Disease Control and Prevention in Beijing and the Xiangya School of Medicine in Changsha, as part of a program at Yale School of Public Health that is supported by the Fogarty International Center and by Yale-China.

XIANGYA MEDICAL STUDENTS ARRIVE IN NEW HAVEN FOR SUMMER ROTATIONS AT YALE

Seven students from the Xiangya School of Medicine are spending a month in New Haven this summer for clinical rotations in fields including urology, neurology, and reproductive endocrinology as a part of the Yale-China Medical and Residency Exchange. The exchange sends Yale medical students and residents for clinical rotations at Xiangya and brings their counterparts from Xiangya for clinical rotations at Yale.

“There is a tremendous amount of interest at Xiangya and at Yale in these kinds of exchanges,” says Bill Peng, program officer for Yale-China’s Health Program. “For the students we bring from Xiangya, we have a special emphasis on making sure that we reach students from underprivileged backgrounds. For these students, the exchange can be a real life-changing experience, since many of them have never left Hunan province, much less been on an airplane or traveled internationally.”

The exchanges are a component of the Yale-China Hospital and Residency Training Program, which aims to develop and implement a model residency-training program at the Xiangya School of Medicine and its affiliated hospitals. While postgraduate clinical education (residency) is common in the West, China has only recently begun to focus on improving the quality of post-graduate clinical training. Xiangya was one of only six medical schools across China to be selected by the Chinese central government to develop a pilot post-graduate clinical education program. The six pilot programs will be reviewed in 2012 in order to determine which might serve as the national model for all residency programs in China.



From left to right are: Jian ZHAO, Siyuan XIONG, and Liangjuan FANG

Nancy Yao Maasbach



Michael Serayak, Xiao Shuiyuan



Deborah Davis



WORKSHOP EXAMINES HEALTH REFORM IN THE U.S. AND CHINA

As the debate on healthcare raged in the headlines, Yale-China brought together researchers, scholars, and practitioners for a workshop on Health Reform in both China and the United States in January. Hosted at Yale in partnership with the Council on East Asian Studies at Yale, the January 14 session featured discussions on the implications of healthcare reform for mental health, community health, and health ethics in the two countries.

The workshop was planned after China passed landmark health reform legislation in March 2009 that led to government investment of US\$125 billion to overhaul its healthcare system. Similar to the United States, China's legislation followed after a long period of intense discussion and debate. Topping China's agenda is its ambitious target of reaching universal health care coverage within three years.

As two of the world's most influential economic, political, and social entities, the outcome of health reform in the U.S. and China is of intense global interest. Those in attendance at the workshop shared their insights into the challenges and opportunities presented by reform efforts in both countries, spending particular time on the implications of health care reforms for mental health, community health, and health ethics in each country.

As part of the workshop, Yale-China offered month-long visiting fellowships to two Xiangya researchers, Professor Xiao Shuiyuan, Dean of Central South University School of Nursing, and Professor Cao Zemin, Director of Social Services at the Third Xiangya Affiliated Hospital of CSU.

KUNMING MEDICAL UNIVERSITY HOSTS FIRST YALE-CHINA CHIA CONFERENCE

Seventeen Chia Fellowship alumnae traveled to Kunming, Yunnan province in October 2009 to attend the first Yale-China Chia Conference to be hosted there since the Chia Family Health Fellowship Program expanded to include Yunnan.

The annual Chia Conference is designed to strengthen the intellectual and professional network that is the cornerstone of the success of the Chia Fellowship Program, which sends two Fellows each from Hunan and Yunnan provinces every year to spend a semester at Yale, during which time they develop a public health project under the guidance of a Yale-China staff member and a Yale University faculty mentor, and then implement the project upon their return to China. Projects undertaken by the Fellows have ranged from links between air pollution and respiratory disease, to studies of needle injection practices in rural health clinics.

The October 29 conference focused on women in Medicine, Nursing, and Public Health, and, in addition to scientific presentations, included a panel discussion on the challenges faced by women in these professions, which allowed panelists and conference attendees to exchange opinions and suggestions on this topic. Panelists included Vice Dean Cao Ya of Xiangya School of Medicine, Vice Dean Li Yan of Kunming Medical University, Professor Nancy Reynolds of Yale School of Nursing, former Chia Fellows Liu Xinchun, Feng Hui, Zhang Jingping, and Wong Honghong.

"This was truly groundbreaking, as it was the first time we have really created a forum for women to discuss the personal challenges they face in these professions," says Hongping Tian, director of Yale-China's Health Program. "The panel sparked a very lively discussion, and we hope to include more of these kinds of conversations in our future conferences."



Top row from left: Jiang Runsheng, Zhang Xiaoyu; Bottom row from left: Hongping Tian, Chia Fellows, Cao Ya



Public Service Program News

SERVICE INTERNS HIT THE GROUND IN CHINA FOR A SUMMER OF NONPROFIT WORK

A group of eleven Yale-China Service Interns are interning at nonprofit organizations in Hong Kong and Kunming, Yunnan province, this summer as a part of our Yale-China Service Internship program. The program creates meaningful internship experiences for Yale students through placements at organizations in mainland China and Hong Kong. We also work to team Yale students with their Chinese counterparts wherever possible, especially through our annual end-of-summer service project with Yale-China Scholarship Recipients. These partnerships better facilitate the Yale students' introduction to the local culture and society, allowing them to gain insights about contemporary China they might not gain otherwise.



Service interns, Teaching Fellows, and staff in Hong Kong

The program also includes a unique component entitled the Yale-China/New Asia Public Service Exchange, which pairs Yale and New Asia students to intern at nonprofits in both Hong Kong and New Haven. The pairs spend a month in each city, and are able to engage in a deep, cross-cultural comparison of different nonprofit approaches to a particular social issue.

The Hong Kong service internships and Public Service Exchange internships serve as entry points for Yale students who want to gain experience in China but have not previously studied Chinese, while the internships in Kunming allow students with proficient Chinese to deepen their involvement with and understanding of China.

PUBLIC INTEREST LAW INITIATIVE TAKES OFF

We are excited to announce the Yale-China Public Interest Law initiative, which will award a fellowship to a graduate-level law student or junior faculty member from the Sun Yat-sen University School of Law in Guangzhou, Guangdong province. The initial pilot program will choose one Fellow per year, who will spend a semester's time as a Yale-China Public Interest Law Fellow. Two-thirds of the fellowship period will take place at an organization focused on public interest law in New York City, where the Fellow will gain hands-on experience in specific areas within public interest law. The balance of the fellowship will be served in New Haven at the Yale-China Association, where each Fellow will conduct research on a public interest topic, working closely with Yale-China staff and faculty, professionals, and students from across Yale University.

The program is made possible by the generous support of the Lingnan Foundation. A working group of Yale-China staff, trustees, and local attorneys spent a month this spring designing the program with Luo Jianwen, associate professor of law at Sun Yat-sen University, who was in residence in New Haven and New York City in May. We look forward to sharing updates of this new and emerging program in future issues.



Jian Yi and Nancy Yao Maasbach

FIRESIDE CHAT SERIES GEARS UP FOR A SECOND YEAR

Our 2009-2010 fireside chat series brought together Yale-China members, friends, and local community members for conversations on topics touching China's heart and hinterland. The chats are a part of our Public Service Program, and aim to create a sense of community among our members and to contribute to the U.S.-China dialogue. A schedule of chats planned for 2010-2011 will be posted on our website early this fall. We hope you will join us!



Arts Program News

As a part of our new Arts Program, we hosted the first U.S.-based solo show of works by artist Ali Van (Yale '08) at our offices from April 22 to June 6. The exhibit, entitled, "Residues: Recent works by Ali Van" was the first in a series of exhibits by various artists that we plan to host in New Haven.

Ali Van was born in New York and grew up in Hong Kong before returning to the U.S. to study at Yale. She now lives and works in New York City. Ms. Van works with compulsive contemplative interests, delving into performative processes with histories and residues of time and space recorded through action and reenactment. Her work is mediated by food, dirt and dust as well as the body. She is interested in the internal rapture of a beaten beauty; one made of forgotten movement, dispensed foodstuffs, and one that explores the possibility of a unique aesthetic taste and tendency. Her work engages with formal ambiguities and the perplexities between experience and product. She explores the simultaneous boundaries between experienced, resolved and purposive conflict.

The next exhibition will feature the work of Qian Lin. Ms. Lin's paintings (oil on canvas) explore the relationship between culture and nature; the former represented by Chinese calligraphy, and the latter by horse figures. The dates of the exhibition will be available on our website later this summer.



Attendees at the opening reception for "Residues: Recent Works by Ali Van"

Our Community

YALE-CHINA REMEMBERS THE LIFE OF GOOD FRIEND DAVID YOU DAJUN

"Japanese bombs cannot distinguish who is American or who is Chinese. The bombs do not recognize that. When we carried the stretchers, the wounded, American teachers helped us, they were even more energetic. It really moved the students very, very deeply. They really shared the danger with us."

—You Dajun, Yali Union Middle School Student, 1936-1941



From left to right: Bill Watkins, David Jones, You Dajun, Marcy Brooks, Nancy Chapman in 2000

David You Dajun, an alumnus of Yali Middle School and friend to Yale-China Teaching Fellows and staff for decades, died Sunday, November 8, 2009, in Changsha, Hunan province. He was 88 years old.

"David You's ability to put blame and bitterness aside was amazing," says Terry Lautz, former Yale-China board chair and former Hong Kong field staff director. "His courage, integrity and enthusiasm for life—in the face of so much personal adversity—are lessons we all carry as we mourn his passing."

Mr. You's recollections of life as a Yali student during wartime are included in the book, *The Yale-China Association: A Centennial History*, by Nancy E. Chapman with Jessica C. Plumb. In it, he describes the school's evacuation to Yuanling, an arduous venture that was fraught with danger. "Senior mid-

dle-school boys took junior middle-school boys. There were five in my group, none from my class, and no teachers. The students went in groups of two or three, sometimes with teachers, sometimes on our own. It took about half a month," he recalled. "We were not afraid of anything. We were too innocent."

Bill Watkins, a former Yale-China Teaching Fellow and former Hong Kong field staff director, also shared a few of his memories of Mr. You: "[He was a] master calligrapher, singer of 'K-k-k-atie, beautiful Katie,' soccer player, harmonica player, flashing eyes under a dapper hat, riding his bike into his eighties, beating David Jones, Bob Ward, and me in a jiaozi-eating contest, seeking his American dream while in his sixties. Goodbye, You Laoshi!"



After seven years with Yale-China, Ingrid Jensen, deputy director, heads to Ithaca to pursue her MBA at the Johnson School at Cornell University.

Ingrid was instrumental in upgrading many of the financial and operational systems at Yale-China as well as identifying new programs and sites for Yale-China's work in China and the U.S. We are indebted to Ingrid for her countless contributions to the organization. The Yale-China staff will miss Ingrid's energy, intellect, sense of humor, and passion for Yale-China's work.

Yale-China Welcomes New Trustees to its Board

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In Memoriam

Yale-China mourns the
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