

The National Coordinating Committee on Japanese Library Resources is a standing committee which represents the community of Japanese librarians and scholars in North America. The NCC's mission is to mobilize library resources related to Japan toward the long-range goal of creating a comprehensive system of ready access to Japanese information throughout North America. Membership in the NCC is open to nominations and suggestions are always welcome.

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All are invited to attend the annual open meeting of the NCC during the Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference, to be held:

**Thursday, March 24**  
**9:15 pm - 11:00 pm, Salon J & K**  
at the Boston Marriott Hotel, Copley Place, 110 Huntington Avenue

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**Multi-Volume Set Project:**

The objective of this project is to strengthen Japanese research resources in American university libraries by supporting the purchase of expensive multi-volume sets in the Japanese language. The related goals are to utilize finite book funds most effectively, to ensure that valuable materials are available in at least one library, and to increase access to Japanese research materials by rationalizing expenses on a national basis. The project is funded by the Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission. Any library in the United States which is willing and able to meet the commitments of free interlibrary loan, 25% of the purchase price plus postage, and timely full cataloging into a national database, is eligible to apply for support. Some of the problems of the first year, such as ambiguous guidelines and support for material currently being published were addressed in the revised guidelines used for the current year's project. The subcommittee met in February and agreed to expand the scope of the project for next year. Titles supported in 1994 are:

<i>1990-nen sekai norinyo sensasu hokokusho.</i> 1991-92.	Ohio State University
<i>Daitokyu Kinen Bunko shozo Edo bungaku sakan.</i> 90 reels. 1972.	Columbia
<i>Goma zenshu.</i> 65 vols. 1981-83.	UCLA
<i>Kaitei Zoho kojitsu sosho.</i> 40 vols.	Chicago
<i>Kindai bijutsu kankei shinbun kiji shiryō shusei.</i> 71 reels. 1991.	Pittsburgh
<i>Kindai Nihon chishi sosho. Tokyo hen.</i> 42 vols. 1993.	Chicago
<i>Kindai Nihon josei seikatsu jiten.</i> 8 vols. 1992.	Chicago
<i>Meiji kyoiku tokei shiryō.</i> 80 reels. 1967.	Columbia
<i>Meiji zenki kyoiku shiryō shusei.</i> 60 reels. 1965.	Columbia
<i>Nihon Gaimusho tokushu chosa bunsho. Dai 1-ki.</i> 30 vols.	Chicago
<i>Nihon romu kanrishi shiryōshu.</i> 9 vols. 1987.	Duke
<i>Riku-Kaigunsho nenpo.</i> 70 reels + 2 booklets. 1989.	UCSD
<i>Shuppan keisatsuho.</i> 42 vols. 1982.	Illinois
<i>Taisho Showa kyoiku tokei shiryō.</i> 120 reels. 1976.	Columbia
<i>Tokyo-shi Shakaikyoku nenpo.</i> 9 vols. 1991-92.	UCSD
<i>Tomitsu shohoryu inshin ruiju.</i> 20 vols. 1988.	UCLA
<i>Zenkoku kosai shasai meisaihyo.</i> 29 vols. 1989-91.	UCSD

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***Retrospective Conversion Subcommittee:***

A grant for a pilot project has been submitted to the Japan-US Friendship Commission; it will be used as a base for a large-scale, long-range, national project, for which proposals for external funding will be prepared during the coming months. The NCC, and the subcommittee chaired by Karl Kahler, University of Pennsylvania, will be glad to hear from libraries interested in participating.

***Subcommittee on Electronic Information Resources:***

Funding is being sought from the Japan-US Friendship Commission for the Internet distribution of digitized tables of contents, prepared by Maureen Donovan at Ohio State University.

***Additional Plans:***

Several projects are currently in the early stages of organization and planning. They include serials back issues, a cooperative approach to new subscriptions, and wider availability of holdings information; librarian training and recruitment, both from traditional sources and from undergraduate and graduate student populations with knowledge of Japan and Japanese; the AAU/ARL foreign acquisitions project, to address the scarcity of science and technology information in the United States; the art exhibition catalog project, which addresses "grey literature" in the humanities; and fundraising, ideally to be done in FY 1994-95.

***Planning for the Future:***

The NCC is proposing the establishment of a permanent directorate for long-term administration and fundraising, with the dual goals of increasing NCC projects to address more widely issues of concern to the community, and becoming economically self-supporting.

The Incoming Chair, to assume office in January 1995, is Karl Kahler, University of Pennsylvania.

The Nominating Committee of the NCC is composed of Karl Kahler, Chair; Sharon Minichiello, University of Hawaii at Manoa, and Eizaburo Okuizumi, University of Chicago. All are willing and eager to hear from people with recommendations for membership in subcommittees, task forces, and the NCC.

More information on all the projects and activities of the NCC is available in the January 1994 Meeting Report, to be published in the Bulletin of the Committee on East Asian Libraries, available at the Open Meeting at the AAS, or directly from the Chair.

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