

BIODATA: MRS. CHOOI-HON HO

NAME:

Mrs. Chooi Hon Ho
Honorary Research Fellow, Monash Asia Institute
Monash University, Australia

RESEARCH INTERESTS:

Settlement characteristics of the Chinese in Australia and the Chinese diaspora. Chooi Hon Ho is currently working in collaboration with Professor Kee Pookong, Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies at Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU) Japan on the *Chinese Australian Contributions to the Health Professions*.

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ACADEMIC/PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

M. Admin. Monash University, Australia. 1983
BA(Hons). University of Malaya, Malaysia. 1966
ALA Library Association (UK). 1969
ALAA Library Association of Australia. 1976

FELLOWSHIPS/AWARDS:

Vice-Chancellor's Award for Exceptional Performance by General Staff (2000)

Chooi Hon Ho was responsible for the initiative to establish the Asian Studies Research Library (ASRL), a one-stop shop to provide Asian studies researchers with easy access to the subject specialists, Asian script collections and electronic resources. The award was given to the ASRL team comprising the four Asian studies specialists and Chooi Hon Ho.

Senior Women Advancement Scheme, Monash University (1994/95)

Selected as one of the twelve participants for the University's first program for the career advancement of senior women.

R.L. Martin Administrative Fellowship, Monash University (1988)

Chooi Hon Ho was granted the Martin Fellowship to undertake a study tour of selected university libraries in the US, Canada and the UK with emphasis on fee-based services to the external community. She developed a proposal for a fee-based information service for the Library and MONINFO was launched in 1990. In 2004 the service was renamed External Client Services, and has continued to provide a much valued information service to business and industry, as well as members of the general public.

Documentation Fellowship, University of Hawaii (1974)

Awarded a fellowship by the East-West Center, University of Hawaii, to attend an internship in communication documentation. The six-week program was followed by a study tour of the U.S., sponsored by the U.S. Information Services.

Chinese Association of Victoria (CAV) Honorary Fellow (1995)

Presented with the CAV Merit Award for outstanding services to the Chinese Community.

International Year of Volunteers (State of Victoria) Certificate of Appreciation (2001)

Received a certificate of appreciation from the State of Victoria in recognition of voluntary service to the community to mark the International Years of Volunteers 2001.

LIBRARY AND MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE:

- **Director, Corporate Services & International Development, Monash University Library. April 2002- December 2004**
- **Acting Deputy University Librarian, Monash University. November 2001- March 2002**
- **Associate University Librarian, Monash University. 1989-October 2001**
- **Humanities & Social Sciences Librarian, Monash University. 1983-1988**
- **Caulfield Campus Librarian, Chisholm Institute of Technology. 1976-1983**
- **Director, USIS Library, Malaysia. 1973-1976**
- **Acquisitions Librarian, National University of Malaysia Library. 1970-1973**
- **Cataloguer, University of Malaya Library. 1966-1970**

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL TEACHING:

**Monash University Malaysia- Persatuan Pustakawan Malaysia Library Staff Training Program
June 2004**

Initiated and coordinated a specialised training program for 12 Malaysian librarians

Monash University Department of Librarianship & Archives. 1990-1993

Lecturer for the Library Management Unit for the MA (Librarianship) students 1990-1993. (Jointly with Professor Mary Ronnie in 1990-1991)

Workshop on Subject Specialisation. 1985

Conducted a three-day workshop on subject specialisation for the Darwin Institute of Technology Library.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

- **Chairperson, Chinese Association of Victoria Honorary Fellows Advisory Board 2005- current**
- **Chairperson, Chinese Association of Victoria Constitution Review Committee 2007-2009**
- **State of Victoria International Year of Volunteers 2001 Certificate of Appreciation**
- **President, Chinese Association of Victoria. 1988/1989**
- **Editor, CAV (Chinese Association of Victoria) *Newsletters* and *Magazines* 1987 -2004**
- **Chinese Association of Victoria Merit Award 1995**

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Spoken: English, Malay and Chinese (Mandarin, Teochew and Cantonese dialects)

Written: English and Malay

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Ho Chooi Hon & Kee Pookong “The Chinese Association of Victoria: A Case Study of Community Development”, in Kee Pookong, Ho Chooi-Hon, Macgregor, Paul and Presland, Gary (Editors). *Chinese in Oceania*, Museum of the Chinese Australian History, Centre for Asia Pacific Studies and Association for the Study of the Chinese and their Descendants in Australasia and the Pacific Islands, Melbourne, 2002.

Kee Pookong, Ho Chooi Hon, Macgregor, Paul and Presland, Gary (Editors). *Chinese in Oceania*, Museum of the Chinese Australian History, Centre for Asia Pacific Studies and Association for the Study of the Chinese and their Descendants in Australasia and the Pacific Islands, Melbourne, 2002.

Ho Chooi Hon & Cogan, James, “The Chinese in Australia: Immigrants from the People’s Republic of China, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau” in *Asians in Australia: patterns of migration and settlement*, Macmillan, Melbourne, 1997.

Ho Chooi Hon, “Information services for teaching, research and business: the Monash experience” in *Australian Library Journal*, Volume 11, No.3, August 1994.

Ho Chooi Hon, “Mainstreaming Asian Studies: Managing Library Resources for an Effective Asian Information Service in Australian Tertiary Institutions”, in *International Association of Orientalist Librarians Ninth General Meeting at the 34 ICANAS: Proceedings*. University of Hong Kong, Libraries, Hong Kong, 1993.

Ho Chooi Hon, “Chinese women in the Australian labour force” in *LuoDiShengen International Conference on Overseas Chinese*. Ethnic Studies Department, University of California Berkeley, 1992.

Ho Chooi Hon & Kee Pookong, “A profile of the Chinese in Australia”, *Journal of Intercultural Studies*, Volume 9, No.2, 1-16, 1988

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