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WINNERS OF THE 2021 EAST ASIA IN WISCONSIN LIBRARY PROGRAM

MADISON — The [Center for East Asian Studies](#) (CEAS) at the University of Wisconsin—Madison is pleased to announce the winners of the “East Asia in Wisconsin Library Program” competition. Grants have been awarded to public libraries throughout Wisconsin, enriching their collections with new titles that will enable patrons to deepen their understanding of East Asia (which includes China, Japan, and Korea). Over \$24,000 in funding will be distributed to 29 libraries, representing 12 of the state’s 14 library systems.

This is the second year of the competition, which generated a wide variety of programming in 2020.

“We were so delighted with last year’s response that we decided to continue this program,” said Laurie Dennis, assistant director for CEAS. “The 2021 proposals once again reflect the creativity of Wisconsin librarians, who plan to use their funding to bolster existing film, manga, audio and other types of collections, and also to set up community activities and conversations about everything from Wisconsin’s evolving Tibetan community to the Japanese influence on Frank Lloyd Wright. This grant is a way for our center to help library patrons across the state have access to the latest in current events, reference materials, children’s books, literature and film about East Asia.”

The winning proposals came from the following libraries:

- Algoma Public Library, Algoma
- Augusta Memorial Public Library, Augusta
- Cedarburg Public Library, Cedarburg
- Clinton Public Library, Clinton
- Clintonville Public Library, Clintonville
- Community Library, Salem
- D.R. Moon Memorial Library, Stanley
- Eager Free Public Library, Evansville
- Edgerton Public Library, Edgerton
- Ethel Everhard Memorial Library, Westfield
- Hammond Community Library, Hammond
- Hillsboro Public Library, Hillsboro
- Hustisford Community Library, Hustisford
- Kaukauna Public Library, Kaukauna
- Kenosha Public Library, Kenosha

- Kewaskum Public Library, Kewaskum
- Kewaunee Public Library, Kewaunee
- Lake Geneva Public Library, Lake Geneva
- Lakeview Community Library, Random Lake
- McIntosh Memorial Library, Viroqua
- Mead Public Library, Sheboygan
- Muehl Public Library, Seymour
- New Berlin Public Library, New Berlin
- Pepin Public Library, Pepin
- Plainfield Public Library, Plainfield
- Plum Lake Public Library, Sayner
- Spring Green Community Library, Spring Green
- Washburn Public Library, Washburn
- Wilberg Memorial Public Library, Osceola

CEAS once again partnered with the [Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction](#), the [Wisconsin Library Association](#), and the [Cooperative Children's Book Center](#) to plan and promote the program. Applicants were encouraged to use a list comprised of hundreds of materials curated by UW–Madison faculty with titles about China, Tibet, Hong Kong, Taiwan, North Korea, South Korea and Japan.

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