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## Anthony Chan Receives 2012 CUNY Distinguished Asian American Alumni Award

**11/15/12** - Anthony Chan, Managing Director and Chief Economist for JP Morgan Private Wealth Management, was presented with the CUNY Distinguished Asian American Alumni Award at the Asian American / Asian Research Institute's 11th Annual Gala. A graduate of Finance & Investments from Baruch College; Mr. Chan is the fifth recipient of this award in a growing list of successful CUNY alumni that includes Aziz Ahmad (City College); Savio Chan (Baruch College); Kam Wong (Baruch College); and Robert Wann (Queens College). After graduating from Baruch College, Mr. Chan received his Masters and Ph.D. degrees in Economics from the University of Maryland.

Addressing hundreds of guests at the AAARI annual gala, Mr. Chan shared his insights on how college students can be successful in their careers, including being able to adapt to change, following trends, enrolling in courses that are global in nature, viewing things from an unconventional perspective, and having a passion for learning.

Gala video available online: [www.aaari.info/2012banquet.htm](http://www.aaari.info/2012banquet.htm)



## Reading Descartes Otherwise: Blind Mad, Dreaming, and Bad

Kyoo Lee, Assistant Professor of Philosophy at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, and affiliated faculty for the Gender Studies, Honors, Interdisciplinary Studies, Justice Studies Program, recently published her book, *Reading Descartes Otherwise* (Fordham University Press). Focusing on the first four images of the *Other* mobilized in Descartes' Meditations--namely, the blind, the mad, the dreamy, and the bad, Dr. Lee's book casts light on what have heretofore been the phenomenological shadows of "Cartesian rationality." In doing so, it "discovers dynamic signs of spectral alterity lodged both at the core and on the edges of modern Cartesian subjectivity."



## Xiwu Feng Serves as Consultant to Hunan University

Dr. Xiwu Feng, who has taught Communications Skills at LaGuardia Community College for 15 years, will work with Hunan University's School of Foreign Studies to transform their traditional linguistics and applied linguistics graduate programs to include a teacher training sequence. Added to the curriculum will be classes that cover Teaching English to Students of Other Languages (TESOL), second language acquisition, and theory and practice. This past December Dr. Feng visited the university where he delivered speeches to an audience of language and education professors and grad students on theories and applications in literacy education, curriculum and pedagogy, second language acquisition and TESOL methodology.



## Baruch Students Assist with Translation at CUNY College Fair

**12/9/12** - The City University of New York hosted a college information fair at Seward Park High School in Chinatown/Lower East Side. The fair provided details on academic programs, financial aid, adult education and immigration services. Coordinated by Susan Wong, AAARI board member and Director of Counseling for the SEEK Program at Baruch College, Baruch students Chen Yu Jin, Xiao Liang, Zhong Cheng Zhu, Jing Jing Yang and Jiakai Chen assisted with translating for Chinese speakers interested in enrolling at the City University. CUNY Chancellor Matthew Goldstein and CUNY Trustee Wellington Chen thanked the Baruch students for their hard work and dedication.

**2013 CUNY Asian Faculty & Staff:  
Spring Festival Reception**

**February 22, 2013  
6PM to 8PM**

**25 West 43rd Street, 18th Floor  
btwn 5th & 6th Ave, Manhattan**



**Free - RSVP Required**

*Open to all CUNY Asian faculty & staff,  
and all those at the University  
involved in Asian American and Asian  
scholarship or activities.*

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City University of New York  
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**“Building the bridge between CUNY,  
and the Asian American / Asian community”**

**Upcoming Events**

**2/5/13**

Asian American Arts Alliance Town Hall  
Co-Sponsored Event

**2/22/13**

CUNY Asian Faculty & Staff: Spring Festival Reception

**3/1/13**

Lecture - TBA

**3/15/13**

Lecture - Three Trees: Alberto Giacometti & Isaku Yanaihara

**3/28/13**

CUNY Conference on Asian American Economic Empowerment

**4/26/13**

AAARI Annual Conference - CUNY and the Asian American  
Community: New Developments and Transformations

**5/31/13**

10th Annual CUNY Asian American Film Festival



**Writing a Third Literature of the Americas**

**12/14/12** - AAARI ended the year with a special tri-lingual program: *Chinese, English, Spanish: Writing a Third Literature of the Americas*, coordinated by Russell Leong, AAARI's 2012-2013 CUNY Thomas Tam Visiting Professor at Hunter College. Based on the recently published special volume of the *Amerasia Journal* by the UCLA Asian American Studies Center, the program discussed new developments in Chinese American literature, alluding to the "Americas" which is no longer confined to just being written in English, but now also includes Chinese and Spanish due to various factors such as globalization. Speakers were Evelyn Hu-Dehart (Brown U), Kathleen Lopez (Rutgers U), Mann Lin (Queensborough CC), Yibing Huang (Connecticut College), and Wen Jin (Columbia U).

Video online: [www.aaari.info/12-12-14Literature.htm](http://www.aaari.info/12-12-14Literature.htm)



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