

# P R E F A C E



While higher education institutions value and cherish the work produced by their students, the level in which students' work is promoted is limited. The Book Culture Club (BCC) Writing Workshop at the Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU) sponsored by the HKBU Library, in collaboration with faculty, is unique in that it not only teaches students how to produce high quality work, but also helps them in the promotion of their creative writings.

This particular publication is the result of several months of learning on the part of those who participated in the BCC Writing Workshop, which takes place in the Learning Commons facility of the HKBU Library. The Library is very pleased to see this happen as a way to encourage more students in this creative process.

Libraries are seen as learning places that encourage and inspire creative thinking and active learning. The Learning Commons in the HKBU Library is a natural place for these series of events to take place, as it is designed to support student learning in a variety of ways such as collaborative learning, interactive learning, social learning and creative learning. These types of learning styles, characteristic of the millennial generation, are particularly important in encouraging and reinforcing

students' learning.

We are also pleased to collaborate with top quality faculty members of the HKBU community, who are more than eager to share their knowledge, expertise, skills, and talents with our participants in this active learning environment. Prof. LO Wai Luk from the School of Communications/Academy of Film, Prof. MAK King Sang, Chair of the Department of History, and Prof. K. B. Chan, Adjunct Professor of Sociology, University of Macao, Founder and Chairman of Chan Institute of Social Studies and First Chair Professor of Sociology, HKBU, have all generously devoted their time and energy in providing valuable and much needed direction for the BCC events. Our Associate Librarian, Ms. Kylie Chan and her team have also spent much effort in organizing, facilitating and coordinating these events to make sure they are indeed valuable learning opportunities for our participants.

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