

Foreword

Taiwan Journal of Anthropology (TJA) has been published for six years since its conversion from *The Bulletin of the Institute of Ethnology* in 2002. Having enjoyed steady and consistent growth over the past few years, it is time for the TJA editorial board to review its publication format and consider alternative means for improvement. The three major changes to be initiated are explained below. The first one is the cover change. In the face of increasing diversity and global change, we hope that the TJA's current face-lift with brighter colors and artistic designs will project a new image of creative dynamism to our readers. The second change involves the implementation of TJA's "Book Review" section. Even though there has been a Book Review section in TJA since its inception, there has been no book review published due to the lack of planning and coordination. The editorial board decided to formally appoint a Book Review Editor to take charge of this two-way communication process: publishing Chinese/English book reviews that introduce outstanding Chinese anthropological publications to Chinese and non-Chinese readers and, conversely, Chinese book reviews that highlight current western anthropological masterpieces to domestic readers. The last change, to be implemented in 2009, is to combine the current division between "Research Articles" and "Research Notes" into a single category "Essays." I hope these changes will bring about new interests and perspectives among our readers and contributors.

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協同主編前言

《臺灣人類學刊》自從2002年由《民族學研究所集刊》改版發行以來，轉眼之間已歷時六年。在本刊逐漸走上穩定成長之際，編輯委員會也回顧近年來的發展，提出幾項改革建議，以期本刊的發展更為完善。主要重點有三，茲略述於下。

第一，封面的改版。為求凸顯臺灣人類學界日趨多元化的研究取向並增強活力，本刊採用色彩鮮明活潑的版面設計，並以卷（年）為單位做色彩上的變化。希望讀者在收到本期的時候，會有耳目一新的感覺，而更有興趣閱讀本刊。第二，推動落實「書評」一欄。本刊創刊之初雖設有「書評」一項，但因未具體擬定推動措施，是以本欄長期從缺。為了積極推動此工作，編委會決定委任「書評編輯」一人，專師其職。其目的是希望能將臺灣出版的傑出中文專著，用中、英文撰寫的書評向國內、外讀者介紹。同時對新近出版的國外人類學名著，則以中文書評介紹給國內讀者。我們希望在六卷二期（2008年12月）時，就能刊登一些書評。第三，調整原有的「研究論文」與「研究紀要」的分類。由於本刊所刊登的文章，都應屬原創性且未發表過的學術論文，並有田野調查資料的分析及理論討論，因此，上述的分類並不具有明確意義。是以從七卷一期（2009年）開始，本刊將不再對刊登的文章做此分類，而通稱為「論文」。希望這三方面的改變，能為本刊帶來新的朝氣與動力。

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