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Invitation from 2008 CAERDA International Conference Program Chair Dr. Chuang Wang

Dear CAERDA members and friends,

On behalf of Chinese American Educational Research and Development Association, I am pleased to announce the 2008 CAERDA International Conference to be held on March 23-24, 2008 at Crowne Plaza Hotel Times Square in New York City. We are expecting a record-breaking attendance by educational researchers, Chinese language teachers, scholars, and practitioners from around the globe, including the US, Canada, China, Hong Kong, Singapore, and Taiwan.

The 2008 conference theme is "East Meets West: The Role of Chinese Culture Language in Global Education." We gather to engage in an expanded discussion and invigorating dialogue on Chinese language teaching and learning experiences from multiple perspectives, including socio-cultural, psychological, ecological, educational, and methodological.

In keeping with the CAERDA conference tradition we will be hosting a conference dinner banquet on March 23 for a delightful feast as well as social networking. This is a once-a-year opportunity for new friends and old acquaintances to get together to show their support of CAERDA. This is a conference event that you won't want to miss.

Many thanks go to the conference committee members and all presenters that have worked diligently to make all these exciting conference events possible. I look forward to seeing you in New York City soon.

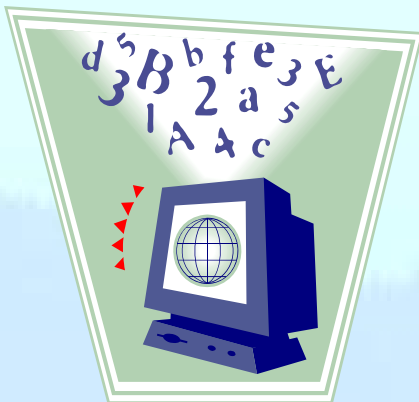
**2008 International Conference
March 23-24, 2008, New York City, NY**



**East Meets West: The Role of Chinese Culture and Language
in Global Education**

Conference Information Available in CAERDA Webs

Information on the 2008 CAERDA Conference program, registration, and location, can be found on the CAERDA website (www.caerda.org). Presenters, chairs, and discussants must pre-register in order to finalize the program schedule. The Conference will be held at Crowne Plaza Hotel Times Square on 1605 Broadway, New York, NY 10019, Tel: 800-243-6969, 212-977-4000, Fax: 212-333-7393.



CAERDA Board Meeting Invites Input from All Members

The 2008 CAERDA Board Meeting will be held on March 22 before the 2008 Conference starts. Members are encouraged to submit concerns, issues, and suggestions to President Dr. Duc-Le To (Duc-Le.To@ed.gov) for them to be addressed by the board members. Among the items on the agenda are launching a peer-reviewed online journal, planning 2009 Conference, and membership recruitment.



JOIN US AT CAERDA DINNER BANQUET FOR SOCIAL NETWORKING

CAERDA has been sponsoring a membership recruitment dinner for many years. These dinners have been well attended by CAERDA members, their family members, and their friends, with an average attendance of 80 people or more.

For this year, we have planned another fun dinner for CAERDA members and non-members. We ask you to purchase your discounted dinner tickets either during the conference pre-registration or at the conference site. Each dinner ticket will cost \$25 per person (including dinner and gratuity).

Please make your reservation with us by sending e-mail to duc-le.to@ed.gov or Aubrey_wang@hotmail.com before the conference. We cannot guarantee a seat if you join us at the restaurant without the pre-purchased dinner ticket or a reservation with us. We look forward to seeing you and hearing about how you've been this year!

DATE: March 23, 2008 at 7 P.M.

PLACE: China Regency
850 7th Avenue, New York City
(between 54th and 55th street)

Tel: (212) 247-6440

COST: \$25 per individual



Join Us for a Focus Group

In an effort to improve our service to the members, we are organizing a Focus Group after the conference on Monday. The purpose of this working lunch is to discuss how CAERDA can better serve its members by identifying the needs and suggesting areas for improvement. Please indicate your availability on the Registration Form. The location is to be announced. Please contact Yann-Yann Shieh (Yann-Yann.Shieh@ed.gov) for more information.



Membership Renewal

If you have not renewed your membership for 2008, please do it now! Please notice that the membership fee has been changed from \$25 to \$30 for 2008. (We have not increased our memberships since 2002.)

Here is what to do: Download the membership application/renewal form from our membership website: <http://www.caerda.org/membership.htm>. Fill it out and send the completed form along with a check for the annual membership fee to the following address: **CAERDA, P. O. Box 612, Ardmore, PA 19003-9998**. If you have problems with downloading the form or any questions concerning your membership, please contact: duc-le.to@ed.gov. When you fill out the form, please make sure that the e-mail address and mailing address on the form are correct.

Thank you for your support for CAERDA. The Association will not be able to survive without your support.

