

the "The Integrated Chinese Professional Development Fund." Also, CLTA received \$3,000 from ChinaSprout to help broaden CLTA's reach to K-12 Chinese teachers. With the gracious help of Fang Liu of Oberlin College, Mr. Hua Kuoman, and an anonymous professor from Beijing Normal University, an appreciation plaque was pre-

sent to Xiaoning Wang of ChinaSprout at this year's meeting. In addition, the Wenlin Institute donated ten copies of Wenlin to the CLTA

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*An Important Note: Due to Newsletter publication date change, the following announcement may be out of date. It was sent to members through email mailing list already. The full version of this announcement (in English, simplified and traditional characters can be accessed at the CLTA web site <http://clta-us.org/meeting/cfp.htm>)*

### Submitting a proposal for the CLTA 2008 Annual Meeting

**Submission deadline: January 11, 2008**  
**Notification of acceptance: April 1, 2008**  
**Notification of date/time/location for accepted presentations: August 1, 2008**

The Chinese Language Teachers Association (CLTA) invites proposals for panels or individual papers to be presented at the 2008 CLTA Annual Meeting, to be held in Orlando, Florida, November 20-23, 2008 in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL). The ACTFL theme for this year is **Opening Minds to the World Through Languages**. **The deadline for submissions is January 11, 2008.**

The CLTA Program Committee welcomes submissions on topics relevant to Chinese language, such as pedagogy, materials and program development, acquisition, linguistics, literature, film, media, technology, etc. The CLTA Program Committee will consider panel and in-

dividual paper proposals equally in the selection process. Sessions are 75 minutes long. Each session will be limited to four 15-minute paper presentations, followed by a 15-minute Q&A/discussion period. A formal discussant (optional) will be considered as one of the 15-minute presentations. Panel submissions will be evaluated as panel (session) proposals. Individual paper submissions will be evaluated as paper proposals, and the accepted individual papers will be grouped into panels (sessions) according to theme by the CLTA Program Committee.

Please note that submissions in English or Chinese are welcomed. However, if the submission is in Chinese, **the Title and Description must still be entered ONLY IN ENGLISH; the Title and Description MAY NOT BE ENTERED IN CHINESE. If the Title and Description are entered in Chinese, the submission will automatically be rejected.**

Multiple submissions are strictly prohibited — only one abstract per individual will be considered, and each individual can participate in only one panel. You must be a member of CLTA to give a presentation at the CLTA Annual Meeting.

Please follow the following instructions to submit a proposal. The entire procedure is on-line, and is done through the ACTFL website. Please note that for both panel and individual proposals, **a 500-word summary of your proposal is required.** You will be asked to upload that summary as one of the final steps of the submission process. The proposal submission process is as follows:

Go to <http://www.actfl.org>  
→ Click on 'Convention & Expo'