



# China Oxford Scholarship Fund

## Welcome Reception for COSF Scholars at Brasenose College

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Friends and supporters of the China Oxford Scholarship Fund had the chance to meet the 2014 Scholars at the start of the Michaelmas term. The welcome reception on the 23rd October was co-hosted with Brasenose College and took place at the College's splendid Medieval Kitchen. A number of previous China Oxford Scholars still at Oxford attended to provide a warm welcome to the new group of Scholars. COSF Trustees Prof. Zhanfeng Cui and Dyan Sterling and Oxford Awards Panel Chairman Prof. Derek Siveter had the chance to wish the new Scholars all the very best with their studies and to make the most out of their time at Oxford. Prof. William Swadling, Reader of Law at Brasenose and Brasenose alumnus Peter Sunderland made brief speeches highlighting the strong connection between COSF and the College. The Fund thanks Brasenose College and its Director for Development and Alumni Relations, Dr Liz Miller, for supporting this event and for sponsoring this year's £12,500 China Oxford Award in Law. We have photos of the reception available online for viewing. You can go to [www.flickr.com/photos/chinaoxfordscholarshipfund](http://www.flickr.com/photos/chinaoxfordscholarshipfund)

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## Scholar's Update



Scholars enjoy the British countryside and afternoon tea in Oxfordshire

The 2014 China Oxford Scholars had the chance to experience the British countryside and enjoy a traditional afternoon tea at the home of Mark and Christina Lakin. The Lakins kindly hosted this afternoon outing in Oxfordshire with Araceli Keelan. 2013 Scholar Alan Xiang Liu joined Amos Hong Ming Chan, Qingyu Wang, Fan Chen, Konstance Chun Tung Li, Jaclyn Yeung, Jiahao Sun, Shengyu Wang, Nathan Hin Che Ma and Shinan Cui for the gathering which included a walk through an apple orchard and taking in the panoramic views of Oxfordshire. The students were able to tuck into an abundance of malt loaves, Victoria cakes, traditional scones with clotted cream and jams, cucumber sandwiches, various artisan breads and even homemade blackberry sherry! Araceli has been organising and hosting these informal afternoon tea and other gatherings for the Scholars since 2008.



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## Scholars' Update



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On the 23rd November, a number of Scholars had the chance to enjoy a traditional Chinese meal at the SOJO restaurant in Oxford. Araceli Keelan hosted the gathering and she had the chance to introduce her son Geordie and her friends from London to the students over a seven-course lunch. Prior to the lunch, COSF Scholar Ray Ruiliang Liu, who is reading for a DPhil in Archaeological Science, gave a brief tour of the Ashmolean Museum's Chinese Collection.

Top photo: Jaclyn Yeung, Amos Hong Ming Chan, Weidi Xi and Nathan Hin Che Ma with friends of the Fund. Middle photo: Brian Keelan Scholar Amos Hong Ming Chan presents Araceli with his photos of University College. Bottom photo: Jiahao Sun, Mo Li and Nathan Hin Che Ma.

# Oxford China Forum

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It was standing room only at the 2nd Oxford China Forum which took place in the autumn. The *Rethink China* event took place at the Said Business School and featured an impressive line-up of speakers who tackled important questions about China. The panel discussions covered topics such as whether or not China was still worth investing in, what does China want on the global political stage and whether traditionalism is making a come-back in the country. The Director of the University of Oxford's China Centre, Prof. Rana Mitter, made the opening address with the Director General for the United Kingdom Trade and Investment (UKTI), Dr Catherine Raines, making the keynote speech. Those who spoke on the China-Britain Business Relations Panel included Lord James Sassoon, the Chairman of the China-Britain Business Council, Gordon Orr, the Director and Chairman of McKinsey Asia and Geyang Huang, the Head of China at London & Partners. Speakers for the China Foreign Policy Panel included Sir Christopher Hum, the former British Ambassador to China, Stephen Perry, the Chairman of the 48 Group and Dr Alessio Patalano, a lecturer in War Studies at King's College London. Broadcaster Susan Osman, Ashmolean Museum's Artist-in-Residence Weimin He, Chinese artist Aowen Jin, calligrapher Yizhou Zhao and China Daily's European Editor Tao Ji also discussed whether traditionalism is returning to China. The Oxford China Forum (OCF) is organised by University of Oxford students.

For more information on OCF, please go to [www.oxfordchinaforum.co.uk](http://www.oxfordchinaforum.co.uk)







China Oxford Scholars were able to enjoy autumn and winter concerts at Wolfson College's Leonard Wolfson Auditorium. At the invitation of Wolfson College's Prof. Douglas Abraham, Scholars were able to enjoy classical music performances by the Fournier

Trio featuring the College's Artists-in-Residence. The 9th November two-hour recital showcased violinist Sulki Yu and pianist Chiao-Ying Chang performing works which included pieces by Franz Schubert and Johann Sebastian Bach and Camille Saint-Saëns. On the 2nd December, the winter Fournier Trio recital included Chris Windass on the viola. The Trio's performance included works by Ludwig van Beethoven and Johannes Brahms.

A big thank you to Prof. Abraham and Wolfson College's Art Administrator Jan Scriven for organising complimentary tickets for the China Oxford Scholars. For more information about events at Wolfson College or about the Fournier Trio, go to [www.wolfsoncollege.ox.ac.uk/events-calendar](http://www.wolfsoncollege.ox.ac.uk/events-calendar)

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The holiday season often means going home to spend time with family. For a number of Scholars, this hasn't been possible but that didn't dampen their spirits over this festive period. COSF Westin Scholar Guowei Tao organised a lunch for those who didn't manage to travel back to China for the holidays. The Christmas meal took place on the 20th May at the My Sichuan restaurant in Oxford where fellow Scholars Shengyu Wang, Min Yao, Mo Li, Zhengxing Li, Yudong Liu and Shinan Cui enjoyed a number of very hot and spicy dishes!

We are also delighted to report that the COSF Alumni Network is going from strength to strength with Scholars organising online social media groups to stay in touch with each other. 2010 COSF Scholar Sean Shuo Xu ( DPhil Materials Science, Lincoln College) established a WECHAT account for COSF Alumni while 2014 COSF Tang Oxford Scholar Zhengxing Li (DPhil Chemistry, Wolfson College) has created a QQ group.

Thank you Sean and Zhengxing for taking the initiative and actively supporting the COSF Alumni network!



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- Enable Scholars to discover and experience cultural opportunities which have included visiting Parliament, meeting British lawmakers and industry leaders and exploring Britain's cultural heritage such as William Shakespeare's birthplace in Stratford-upon-Avon.
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