

The Dunedin Chinese Garden invites you to:

China in Those Days: A Postcard from the Middle Kingdom



A glimpse into the daily life in China through the eyes of a postcard viewer from the late 19th through to the early 20th century

Next Wednesday evening's presentation at the Dunedin Chinese Garden by Thomas Brandt about "China in those days" will take us back to the times when travelling in Asia was still considered to be an adventure and the use of telephones was limited to the privileged few. During those days each and every postcard was worth more than a thousand words. Postcards revolutionized the world's communication, the first widely circulated form of pictorial documentation. When photography was an expensive novelty, these snapshots of faraway countries were rare, if not unattainable.

Experience a trip back into the past in the beautifully set environment of the Dunedin Chinese Garden and enjoy a lively presentation of some of these vintage masterpiece postcards that preserve China's social history. Many of the images of people, architecture and landscapes were not recorded anywhere else but on postcards. Most of these snapshots are not even to be found in museums or national archives.

Date: *Wednesday, 2nd May 2012*

Time: *7pm*

Venue: *Dunedin Chinese Garden, Tower Room*

Speaker: *Mr. Thomas Brandt*

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Free with entry to the garden

Limited spaces, for bookings please contact:

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