

Linguistic Society of Hong Kong

**The 6th Workshop on Cantonese
Adverbs in Cantonese Grammar: from Synchronic and
Diachronic Perspectives**

April 1, 2007

**Call for papers
First Announcement**

We are pleased to announce that the Sixth Workshop on Cantonese (WOC-6) organized by the Linguistic Society of Hong Kong will be held at City University of Hong Kong on April 1, 2007 (Sunday). The theme of this workshop is "Adverbs in Cantonese grammar: from synchronic and diachronic perspectives", and papers on syntax and semantics interface, sociolinguistics, language acquisition or historical linguistics are particularly welcome. It aims to provide a platform for Cantonese grammarians who work on different approaches to share their research outputs and to broaden our research horizon under a specific theme. Potential topics to be discussed include the following:

- (1) What are the syntactic and semantic features of adverbs in Cantonese?
- (2) What are the features of adverbs in early Cantonese and its development?
- (3) In what ways does Cantonese differ from Mandarin both syntactically and semantically in terms of adverb modification?
- (4) What effect will the above differences have on the acquisition of Cantonese and language acquisition at large?

We welcome abstracts of papers from all theoretical perspectives. The presentations are tentatively allotted 20 minutes with 20 minutes for discussion. Languages used at the Workshop can be Cantonese, Mandarin, or English. Abstracts written in Chinese or English should be limited to one A4 page with the author's name, affiliation and e-mail address on it. Please send the abstract in DOC format to: ctpllee@cityu.edu.hk or bckwok@cityu.edu.hk. Please note the following important dates:

Deadline for submissions: **March 11, 2007** (Sunday)

Notification of acceptance: Via e-mail by **March 19, 2007**.

Moreover, papers presented in the Workshop will be selected, based on the results of reviews, for publication in *Studies in Chinese Linguistics* published by T. T. Ng Chinese Language Research Centre, The Chinese University of Hong Kong in early 2008. If you have further questions, please contact Peppina LEE at ctpllee@cityu.edu.hk or KWOK Bit-chee at bckwok@cityu.edu.hk. For the details and updated information, please visit this website: www.swtang.net.