

Institute on Optical-Based Information **Applications**

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General Description of the Day

An intensive day-long program to be presented by an authority on the evolution and development of optical media and systems technology.

Discussions also include current applications and industry trends on the various types of opticalbased information systems and products:

Analog videodiscs

Digital videodiscs

CD-ROM's

the embryonic CD-I industry.

Specific emphasis is placed on the effects of these robot-developments on the current and future library information delivery.

The offering is intended for all interested library and information professionals who have limited knowledge on this topic of tremendous current interest.

A multi-media presentation will be made with demonstrations, including the showing of selected segments of the internationally-known interactive videodisc of PROJECT EMPEROR-I of which Professor Chen is the Principal Investigator and Project Director.

INSTITUTE LEADER

Ching-chih Chen is Professor and Associate Dean of the Graduate School of Library and Information Science, Simmons College, Boston, MA. Author of numerous scholarly articles, and an author and editor of fifteen books on information management and technology, including topics on online bibliographic searching, numeric databases and microcomputer applications in libraries. She is also the founding Editor-in-Chief of the international quarterly journal. Microcomputers for Information Management

published by Ablex.

Professor Chen has directed numerous major US-federallysupported research and development projects, including the internationally acclaimed interactive videodisc, PROJECT EMPEROR-I, supported by the US National Endowment for the Humanities.

Dr. Chen is a sought-after international consultant and speaker. In the last year, she has consulted and spoken in over ten countries including England, Sweden, Australia, and Japan. She has directed over forty continuing education institutes worldwide on a wide range of topics on information technology and management.