About Us:
Servas Korea (SK) Organization

Executive Committee – led by National Secretary (Choi, Byung Wan).

11 regional branches and coordinators.

Total active members: 402 (Jan 2016).

Website: http://www.servas.or.kr.

Korean Tourism Organization Website : http://english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/index.jsp.

Enthusiastic Servas Koreans

Servas activities began in 1965 by Dr Lee, Donghun, a medical doctor practicing in Busan. Official Servas Korea organization was established in 1976. Since 1977, Servas Korea (SK) has annually issued the host list. Servas Korea is growing fast and larger thanks to the eager activities by its members, participating in the international gatherings, hosting international travellers and visiting hosts around the world. Servas Korea is well-known for its top hospitality and enthusiasm. We are ready to do our part in the Servas International.

SK EXCO Meeting, January 2016

When: January 9th – 10th 2016.

Where: Damyang, Jeolla Province.

Host: Jeon Nam Branch.

Participants: 30 (EXCO members, regional coordinators, and other Servas Koreans).

Activities: Conference for 4 hours, visiting historic places and hiking to the snow-covered mountain top.

The conference continued for four hours consecutively with heated discussions and arguments on many agenda, including new projects for 2016 and publishing the history book for Servas Korea.

There were also presentations regarding to how to write LOIs, how to interview the candidates for Servas membership, how to join Dolphin Team, and management of homepage, etc. The next day some of the participants visited a few traditional pavilions situated on hills with unique history, while others went hiking to the top of the snow-covered mountain.

New Korean Working Group Elected

11 key persons are elected for the new term (Jan. 2016-Dec. 2018), headed by Mr. Choi, Byung Wan, the National Secretary, during the National General Meeting in Seoul (Nov. 28-29).

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Newly elected executive committee are being introduced.

National General Assembly for 2016 held in Seoul


Where: Seoul Youth Hostel, Seoul.

Host: Seoul Branch.

Participants: 124 including 2 Japanese, 2 Thais, 1 Taiwanese, 1 Chinese and 1 Dutch.

Activities: Guided tour around Han-Ok village, conference, and walking along the Seoul Fortress Wall and hiking up to the Namsan Beacon Fire Station.

The National General Assembly for Servas Korea, 2015 was held at Seoul Youth Hostel on November 28th through 29th. The venue was located on Namsan, one of the most beautiful hills in Seoul. 124 people including a Taiwanese, two Japanese, two Thais, one Chinese and one Dutch also joined the event.

Before the conference, we toured around the Han-Ok Village, and appreciated the unique beauty and architectural features of traditional Korean wooden houses. During the conference the newly elected working group was introduced.

The new national secretary, Choi, Byung Wan was full of ambition and vowed he would do his best to expand Servas Korea into the world.

The next day we walked along the Seoul Fortress Wall and up to the Namsan Beacon Fire Station. The view from there was gorgeous though the sight wasn’t as clear as we hoped because of the drizzling weather.

Discover Korea in Gangneung, Gangwon Province

140 members joined Discover Korea, an annual event of exploring the hidden beauty of Korea.

Gangwon province is located on the far north-eastern part of Korea and is not an easy place to visit for Koreans living in other parts of Korea, though it is abundant with excellent landscapes of both the sea and the mountains.

Before the conference we walked along the empty beach, watching the horizon. Visiting a temple, Hyuhyu Hermitage, was an unforgettable experience.

The temple was located on a cliff and the sea in front of it was teeming with small fish. During the conference we enjoyed our friendship and fellowship through games and presentations on Servas activities of each regions.

On the second day, we all started on a trip to Little Gumgang which is known for its magnificent mountains and dazzling waterfalls. It was like we jumped into another world.
SICOGA 2015 in New Zealand

When: October 10th – 16th, 2015.

Where: Totara Springs, Auckland, New Zealand.

Host: Servas New Zealand.

Participants: 179 from all over the world.

Activities: General Assembly, mingling with each other and small trips.

A delegation of 13 members of Servas Korea participated in the Servas International General Assembly, which is held every 3 years.

It was the first experience for many of us to join in the General Assembly. A week at the conference in Totara Springs in Matamata, near Auckland was very special in every way. We mingled with Servas people from all over the world, exchanging cultures and sharing ideas.

A day out bus trip through the heartland of New Zealand with all the other participants was fun and informative.

We strengthened our friendship with them through a lot of conversations during the trip. It was an unforgettable collection of beautiful moments.

Korean Servas members at Lake Taupo.

Servas International 2015 in Totara Springs-We are one.

Korean delegates singing Korean folksong ‘Arirang’ and Maori folk song ‘Po Karekare Ana’ on the stage during SICOGA

East Asian Meeting in SICOGA

(Members from Korea, Japan, China and Taiwan got together for friendship).

The most important trip you may take in life is meeting people halfway.

- Henry Boye -
Servas International Travelling

We went out to the world to meet our fellow Servas members and they welcomed us to their home and shared their lives with us.

7 Servas Koreans joining in Nagoya regional meeting in Japan.

The ornaments of your home are the people who smile upon entering time and time again.

- Maralee Mckee -

Welcoming Travellers Into Our Home

We have welcomed many Servas travellers into our homes and lives. It is always a great pleasure to have guests in our homes, which is an exciting way of learning about life.
Mrs. Gubo from Japan with Servas Busan members.

Yong Mow Chung and Wai Leng Chia from Malaysia visiting a girls’ high school.

Julen and Sarah from Belgium with Han, Dong Ho in Jeju.

Daniel Hayes from USA with Han, Dong Ho and Yi, Chung Hun in Jeju.

Yong Mow Chung & Wai Leng Chia from Malaysia with Han, Dong Ho in Jeju.

The Geerdinks from the Netherlands in Choonchun hosted by Kim, Hyeryun.

Jo Mcintire from USA with Yang, Whang Il in Jeju.
Korean traditional bean paste at Yi, Byung Hun’s mom’s. Yi, Byung Hun’s mom keeps her crocks of soy sauce, bean paste, red pepper paste, etc on the rooftop of her house.

**Jeju, the most popular spot among travellers**

We can tell from the above that Jeju is surely the most popular place for foreign Servas members. The island’s mixture of volcanic rock, frequent rains, and temperate climate, make it very similar to the Hawaiian Islands in the U.S. Thus the island offers visitors a wide range of activities: hiking on Halla-san (South Korea’s highest peak), catching sunrises and sunsets over the ocean, viewing majestic waterfalls, riding horses, or just lying around on the sandy beaches.

**Servas Tribes for Hobbies**

We have several spontaneous groups for developing language skills or exercising, which expands our minds and keeps our bodies fit.

Thank you so much! Gracias! 감사합니다! 谢谢! ありがとうございます!