Two new exhibits about Albert Einstein on Google Cultural Institute

The Einstein cultural exhibit gives us a splendid glimpse into rare documents and images that tell not only the story of Einstein’s extraordinary voyage to publicize relativity in Japan in 1922, and to lay the cornerstone of the Hebrew University in Palestine in 1923, but also the dramatic trajectory of his entire life, illustrated by his colorful passports that bear testimony to the vagaries of his personal life. – Prof. Diana K. Buchwald, Einstein Papers Project, California Institute of Technology

The new online exhibit presents some of the highlights from Albert Einstein’s tour of Taisho-era Japan in November-December 1922 and to Palestine during the British Mandate in February 1923. Highlights of the exhibition include brief descriptions of Einstein’s extensive itinerary, numerous photos of the illustrious guest with local dignitaries and colleagues, a rendition of one of the most important lectures Einstein held in Japan and an excerpt from his travel diary on his impressions of Jerusalem. - Dr. Ze’ev Rosenkranz, The Einstein Papers Project, California Institute of Technology, Curator "Einstein’s Trip to the Far East and Palestine"

Was he a German-American physicist? Or a Jewish physicist with a Swiss passport? Did he become an Austrian when teaching at the Prague German University? And how could it happen that he, who at the age of sixteen was released from Württemberg and thus German Citizenship, travelled the world three decades later on a diplomatic passport issued by the Prussian state? Based on documents from the Albert Einstein Archives in Jerusalem, the exhibit of "Albert Einstein German, Swiss and American?" offers answers to these and more questions. – Barbara Wolff, The Einstein Archives, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Curator of "Albert Einstein German, Swiss and American?"

The cooperation between the Google Cultural Institute, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and the Einstein Papers Project in Caltech has produced two exhibitions exploring two specific topics on Einstein’s life and personality. Thus, Google has provided an arena, accessible to all mankind, which allows the Hebrew University to share with the general public the highlights of one of its most important cultural assets - the Albert Einstein Archives, which shed light on Einstein’s scientific work, public activities and personal life. – Prof. Hanoch Gutfreund, Former President, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Chair of the Albert Einstein Archives