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MISSION STATEMENT: Promote full utilization of the capabilities of the Enterprise's employees and champion the betterment of the company and community. Promote interest in Asian Pacific issues and culture and act as a bridge to all groups within our community. (substitute in your Enterprise and company, etc...)

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Please send in information on cultural events and news items to <u>dkikemi@pacbell.net</u>. The mac.com address will be shut down soon. Thanks to those who have.

Long range calendar items:

LLos Angeles Public Library Celebrates our DiverseCity http://www.lapl.org/kidspath/events/diversecity/index.html

November 24, 2012 We are excited to announce our upcoming event, OHANA: Celebrating Community at the JACC

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

This benefit concert features Daniel Ho & Friends, Kealii Ceballos & Halau, Nobuko Miyamoto, On Ensemble, COLD TOFU Improv & more! We see this event as a true celebration of community and an opportunity to bring together the dedicated patrons and organizations who have supported the JACCC throughout the years. We hope we can count on you to join in and celebrate community with us! Tickets are

\$100 VIP and \$50 Friends. For more information or to buy tickets visit <u>www.jaccc.org</u>. For sponsorship opportunities contact Jessie Kikuchi at <u>jkikuchi@jaccc.org</u> or (213) 514-9748.

244 South San Pedro Street, Los Angeles, 90012

See LA Library DiverseCity events at http://www.lapl.org/kidspath/events/diversecity/ index.html

December 22, 2012 HOLIDAY EVENT: LAS POSADAS Saturday, 5:00 - 7:00 PM

North Parking Lot

A traditional Mexican Christmas celebration re-enacting Mary and Joseph's journey as they seek shelter in Bethlehem. Join us for traditional music, dance, and food. Entertainment by Rhytmo Incorporated's Mariachi Kids and Los Sonadores Foklorico Dance Troupe. Enjoy traditional Mexican hot chocolate and pan dulce (sweet bread). Mexican dress is encouraged. Museum and Gallery Store will be closed. Free Sponsored by The James Irvine Foundation THE BOWERS MUSEUM 2002 North Main Street, Santa Ana, CA 92706 714.567.3600 http://www.bowers.org

Jan 6 Kotohajime: The First Performance of the New Year Hatsu Mato "First Target" Sunday, 01.06.12, 1pm The JACCC celebrates the Year of the Snake with Hatsu-Mato (First Target), an artistic journey through Western and Eastern performing arts and traditions curated by the creative vision of Hirokazu Kosaka, Artistic Director of the JACCC. Join the JACCC on this fascinating New Year Celebration featuring performances by the Korean Culture Center, The Professional Training Program students of The Colburn School's The Trudl Zipper Dance Institute and Majikina Honryu. The ritual shooting of the arrow - a purification ceremony - will be performed by IKKYU of the Los Angeles Kyudo Archery Group. the the Aratani Japan American theatre (JACCC) \$20 General Admission \$18 JACCC Member 244 S. San Pedro Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012 Phone: (213) 628-2725 Phone: (213) 628-2725 accc.org

February 2, 2013 3rd Annual Lunar New Year Festival 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For the third year in a row, Pacific Asia Museum invites the community to a pan-Asian celebration of Lunar New Year, a holiday celebrated by many cultures across Asia and the Pacific Islands. Inside the parking lot which will be tented for the event, a stage will host performances including a lion dance and the renowned Xiao Hong Hua children's dance group from Nanjing, China, as well as performances representing other Asian cultures. The event will also feature activities, crafts and food trucks throughout the museum and in the tented parking lot. Visiting artists will also demonstrate a variety of traditional art forms from China.

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This Weekend (and earlier/later)

"Tokyo Boogie Woogie" in California: The 1950 Sacramento Recordings in Japanese and Japanese-American Cultural History

UCLA Terasaki Center for Japanese Studies invites Professor Michael K. Bourdaghs from the University of Chicago.

Friday, November 16, 2012

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Young Research Library, Room 11360

Professor Michael K. Bourdaghs from the University of Chicago will present sound recordings and video clips on the 1950 Sacramento Recordings.

When the postwar ban on foreign travel for Japanese performers was lifted in 1950, popular musicians immediately launched into overseas activities. The list of musicians who conducted U.S. tours in 1950-1951 reads like a "Who's Who" of mid-century Japanese pop. Appearing primarily before Japanese-American audiences, these U.S. appearances represented a breakthrough not only for the Japanese music industry, but also for local audiences. Barely five years removed from wartime internment camps, Japanese-Americans found the concerts a rare opportunity to celebrate publicly their connections to Japanese culture. While many performers used these tours as the basis for new films, stage revues, and songs after returning to Japan, the concerts themselves faded into historical oblivion-until 2008. A collection of audio wire recordings made at the Sacramento Nichibei Theater was discovered and restored, leaving us an astonishing archival treasure. The collection was recently donated to the UCLA Library. This presentation will explore the cultural and historical significance of the 1950 tours and will include sound clips and images from the concerts. Cost: Free and open to UCLA students, faculty, staff, and invited guests Special Instructions Pay by Space parking is available for \$11 all day or hourly rates. Please see the following link for a campus map: http://www.ucla.edu/map/ucla-campus-map.pdf. For more information please contact Stephanie Kawahara Tel: 310-825-4500 kawahara@international.ucla.edu www.international.ucla.edu/japan/

Sponsor(s): Terasaki Center for Japanese Studies

Nov 17 Tour 1-1:30PM

Enjoy a focused look at Highlights of the Collection, led by the museum's docents. A great way to learn more about Pacific Asia Museum's diverse collection! Free for members, included with museum admission for non-members. pacificasiamuseum.org home Visit Our Blog

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November 19, 2012 Transnationalizing Viet Nam: Community, Culture, and Politics in the Diaspora

Book talk by Kieu-Linh Caroline Valverde, Assistant Professor of Asian American Studies, University of California, Davis Monday, 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Young 4216 UCLA Campus Vietnamese diasporic relations affect—and are directly affected by—events in Viet Nam. In Transnationalizing Viet Nam, Kieu-Linh Caroline Valverde explores these connections, providing a nuanced understanding of this globalized community. Valverde draws on 250 interviews and almost two decades of research to show the complex relationship between Vietnamese in the diaspora and those back at the homeland. Cost: Free and open to the public. For more information please contact Barbara Gaerlan Tel: 310-206-9163 cseas@international.ucla.edu www.international.ucla.edu/cseas/ Sponsor(s): Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Asian Pacific Coalition at UCLA Where I went last weekend (or the weekend before): See dkikemi.blogspot.com _____ Resources: LACMA calendar: http://www.lacma.org/events/Calendar.aspx UCLA Asia Institute calendar:

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