

January 20, 2015

See This Weekend

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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Back issues of the newsletter for all of 2000-2013 are available at <http://www.ikemi.info/APPA/> newsletters. if you want to look up some past event. This newsletter was originally published under the auspices of the Hughes Asian Pacific Professional Association (no longer extant). It currently has no affiliation and is available to anyone who is interested in downloading it.

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

Long range calendar items:

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

CHINA'S LOST CIVILIZATION: THE MYSTERY OF SANXINGDUI

October 19, 2014 - March 15, 2015

Bowers Museum is proud to present the latest in its series of exhibits highlighting important treasures from around the world. China's Lost Civilization: The Mystery of Sanxingdui will include objects from the discovery termed "the ninth wonder of the world" and acknowledged by many scholars as one of the greatest archaeological finds ever to be unearthed.

READ MORE: CHINA'S LOST CIVILIZATION: THE MYSTERY OF SANXINGDUI

<http://www.bowers.org/index.php/exhibitions/current-exhibitions>

Bowers Museum.

2002 North Main Street

Santa Ana, CA 92706 ·

714.567.3600

HEAVENLY HORSES: TWO THOUSAND YEARS OF CHINESE AND JAPANESE EQUINE ART

June 14, 2014 - February 22, 2015

The horse's impact on both Chinese and Japanese culture cannot be overstated. They shepherded goods, people and ideas across the expansive and varied climates of a continent during the height of the Silk Roads. They were indispensable as military chargers and aided in the expansion and control of empires.

During this year of the horse we celebrate these animals that continue to fascinate and inspire people around the world.

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Screening: "A Home Within Foreign Borders"

New Visions of Japan Series

Introduction by professor Keijiro Suga, Meiji University

Tuesday, January 27, 2015

7:30 PM - 9:30 PM

UCLA Royce Hall Rm 314

Directed by Keiko Ogawa

Subtitled in English

Renowned Japanese poet Suga Keijiro will present his film on Hideo Levy. Born in California, Levy is the first Westerner to write literature in the Japanese language. With a Jewish father and a Polish mother, Levy spent his early childhood in Taiwan and Hong Kong. At the time he published his debut novel in 1987, he was already well-known for his English rendering of Japan's earliest imperial poetry anthology, *Man'Yoshu* (*The Ten Thousand Leaves*, 1981), for which he won the national Book Award for Translation. "A Home Within Foreign Borders" follows Hideo Levy as he returns to Taichung, Taiwan for the first time in half a century.

Free and open to the public

levy-returns.com/en/about/

Sponsor(s): Terasaki Center for Japanese Studies, Japan Foundation

Jan 29 Film Screening

Rediscovering Pakistan: The Untold Tale followed by a discussion with director Moin Khan at the Pasadena Central Library Auditorium.

6PM

Sponsored by USC Pacific Asia Museum Pakistan Arts Council.

Pacific Asia Museum

46 North Los Robles Avenue,

Pasadena, California 91101 (626) 449-2742

http://www.pacificasiamuseum.org/_calendar/

January 30, 2015 Film Screenings

Hatsumi: One Grandmother's Journey through the Japanese Canadian Internment

Friday, 7:00 PM

FREE

Director Chris Hope, a member of JANM's Board of Governors, takes his grandmother, Nancy Hatsumi Okura, to visit the sites in Canada where she was incarcerated during World War II.

The story comes to life in vivid detail as the two discuss Okura's wartime experiences for the first time. The film follows Hope and Okura across Canada and, unexpectedly, around the world.

Read an interview with director Chris Hope on DiscoverNikkei.org.

Japanese American National Museum

100 North Central Avenue, Los Angeles California 90012

phone: (213) 625-0414

<http://www.janm.org>

Jan 31 Lunar New Year Festival

Celebrate the Year of the Sheep across Asia with a free day of performances, demonstrations, hands-on activities and gallery admission. Food trucks will be close by to satisfy hungry and thirsty visitors. The festival takes place inside the museum and in the tented parking lot, rain or shine.

Performances:

11 am Lion dance

11:30 am-12:30 pm Guangdong delegation performance (songs and dances, puppet show, acrobatics, magic show, martial arts, opera)

12:30-1:30 pm Break

1:30-2 pm Vietnamese dances

2-3 pm Guangdong delegation performance (songs and dances, acrobatics, opera)

3-4 pm Break

4-4:30 pm Korean dances and drumming

4:30-5 pm Taekwondo

Demonstrations:

Artisans from Guangdong will demonstrate the making of folk arts items including ceramics and pottery, lanterns, clay sculpture, miniature sculpture and embroidery.

Crafts & Activities:

Year of the Sheep group activity, sheep craft, lantern making, firecracker making, calligraphy workshop, etc.

Plus, zodiac animal book program with author Oliver Chin, and public tours of the museum.

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Wanderlust: Travelogues Seminar and Guided Tour of the 'Round Trip: Bicycling Asia Minor, 1891' Exhibit

with UCLA Library Special Collections and Program Director, Nile Green

Saturday, February 07, 2015

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Fowler Museum

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During this intimate afternoon seminar, participants will have a guided tour of Round Trip: Bicycling Asia Minor, 1891, explore a number of travelogues drawn from the UCLA Library Special Collections, and learn about other historical travel writing from Nile Green, Director of the UCLA Program on Central Asia. Co-presented with UCLA Library Special Collections and the UCLA Asia Institute's Program on Central Asia. \$20 Fowler

members; \$25 non-members (includes parking). Limited capacity. Advance reservations required and must be received no later than January 30, 2015.

Registration: fowlerprograms@arts.ucla.edu

For more information about this event and the *Round Trip: Bicycling Asia Minor, 1891* exhibit, visit the [Fowler Museum website](#).

Sponsor(s): Asia Institute

Feb 21 The Golden Dragon Parade - A Los Angeles Tradition

<http://www.lagoldendragonparade.com/Event.html>

Feb 28, March 1 Firecracker 5K/10K

<http://firecracker10k.org>

This weekend (give or take a little)

January 23, 2015 Film Screening: Valley of the Heroes

UCLA Program on Central Asia Film Screening with Director, Khashem Gyal

Friday, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Humanities Building A51

UCLA

Valley of the Heroes offers a rare glimpse at a pivotal moment of cultural and linguistic transition among Tibetans and Muslims in Hualong County, a remote community in Amdo, Tibet, part of what is now eastern Qinghai Province, China. Over the past several decades, Tibetans living in Hualong have experienced rapid cultural shifts accelerated by language loss – today more than 30% are unable to speak their own native language. The film spends time with an assortment of village residents and elders who reflect on the changes taking place in their community, and also documents a unique Tibetan language program that is attempting to address the situation.

A film by Khashem Gyal.

In association with the Kham Film Project

Khashem Gyal graduated from Qinghai Nationalities University with a major in Tibetan Literature. He is a key member of the Plateau Photographers and founder of the Amilolo Film Group, dedicated to educating young Tibetans about digital video production and encouraging a new generation of Tibetan filmmakers. Khashem Gyal has directed numerous short films about Tibetan life and culture. Valley of the Heroes is his first full-length documentary film.

Visit Valley of the Heroes website for more information.

<http://international.ucla.edu/asia/centralasia>

Sponsor(s): Center for Chinese Studies, Asia Institute, Program on Central Asia, Anthropology, Geography

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Where I went last weekend (or the weekend before): See dkikemi.blogspot.com

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Resources:

LACMA calendar:

<http://www.lacma.org/events/Calendar.aspx>

UCLA Asia Institute calendar:

<http://www.international.ucla.edu/asia/events/index.asp?action=monthview>

Japanese American National Museum

<http://www.janm.org/events/>

Chinese American Museum

<http://camla.org/events/calendar.htm>

Korean Cultural Center

<http://www.kccla.org/>

Japanese American Community Cultural Center <http://jaccc.org/>

Pacifica Asian Museum <http://www.pacificasiamuseum.org/calendar/whatsnew.htm>

Cultural News

<http://www.culturalnews.com/>

Los Angeles Public Library

<http://www.lapl.org/events/>

Orange County Agricultural and Nikkei Heritage Museum http://fullertonarboretum.org/museum_nikkei.php

Links to selected articles from the LA Times and other papers. To actually access the articles, you may have to sign up for a free account.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day: Nation remembers with parades, service

By **MICHAEL MUSKAL** contact the reporter

Jan 19

<http://www.latimes.com/nation/la-na-martin-luther-king-day-20150119-story.html>

Plan seeks diversity at SoCal theater companies — but some question it

By DAVID NG

Jan 19

<http://www.latimes.com/entertainment/arts/la-et-cm-theater-diversity-20150115-story.html>

Review 'Pretty Rosebud' a thorny, cliched Asian American tale

By MARTIN TSAI

Jan 16

<http://www.latimes.com/entertainment/movies/la-et-mn-pretty-rosebud-review-20150117-story.html>

Pacific Asia Museum: Signs of progress after first year under USC

By MIKE BOEHM

Jan 16

<http://www.latimes.com/entertainment/arts/culture/la-et-cm-usc-pacific-asia-museum-christina-yu-yu-20150115-story.html#page=1>

Haruki Murakami's advice on love and cats

By CAROLYN KELLOGG contact the reporter

Jan 20

<http://www.latimes.com/books/jacketcopy/la-et-jc-haruki-murakami-advice-on-love-and-cats-20150120-story.html>

Review In 'Half Life,' Cloud Eye Control tries to see the unseen

Mark Swed

Jan 16

<http://www.latimes.com/entertainment/arts/la-et-cm-half-life-redcat-review-20150116-column.html>