

February 25, 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.

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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.  
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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

#### Ink Painting and Construction of Contemporary Chinese Art

From Qiu Deshu's inked paper collage to Cai Guangbin's black and white photography inspired images, and Wang Dongling's action calligraphy to Zou Cao's fingerprint landscape painting, this group exhibition of twelve artists showcases the diversity and innovation in contemporary Chinese ink art. Audacious, refreshing, and dexterous, the artists demonstrate their effort in breaking through the boundaries of tradition. With their experiments in subject matter, material application and execution, and in introducing contemporary vocabulary such as mixed media, conceptual art, action painting and

abstraction to ink art, these artists seek new possibilities to create a dialogue with contemporary art in other parts of the world. Ink Painting And Construction Of Contemporary Chinese Art will be on view from January 22 through March 29, 2015. Special thanks to the Cai Family.

Featured Artists: Qiu Deshu, Wang Dongling, Li Huayi, Pan Gongkai, Lu Fusheng, Zhang Hong, Gan Yifei, Wang Tiande, Zheng Chongbin, Cai Guangbin, Lu Chuntao, Li Huai, and Zou Cao

Curated by: Kuiyi Shen, University of California, San Diego

Organized by: Danielle Shang, University of California, Los Angeles

Chinese American Museum, Los Angeles

<http://camla.org/current-exhibits/#ink-painting-and-construction-of-contemporary-chinese-art>

425 N. Los Angeles Street

Los Angeles, CA 90012

(The cross street is Arcadia)

Museum Front Desk: (213) 485-8567

Hours

CAM is opened on Tuesday – Sunday, 10am – 3pm.

Closed on Mondays and the following holidays:

Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day

Suggested Admission

Adults – \$3.00

Seniors (60 and over) – \$2.00

Students (with ID) – \$2.00

Museum Members – Free

#### March 7 CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

Feel free to bring some food, blankets and chairs and have your picnic under the Cherry Blossoms on the Sakura Meadow and Amphitheater Lawn or on the Upper and Lower Meadows. A self-guided tour and information sheet will be available. Tram tours will be available on Saturday, March 7 at 11:00am and 1:00pm (additional fee of \$5). On Saturday, March 7, we will be partnering with the Gardena Valley Japanese Cultural Institute (GVJCI) to provide a number of cultural performances and activities. Sound for the event will be generously provided by VOX DJs.

Cost: Included with paid Garden admission

South Coast Botanic Garden

26300 Crenshaw Boulevard

Palos Verdes Peninsula, California 90274

#### Los Angeles Lantern Festival 2015

Saturday, March 7, 2015, Noon-7 PM.

425 N. Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012 at El Pueblo Historical Monument

Event will be held rain or shine

Join Angelenos beneath Chinese lanterns in the vibrance of Downtown L.A. for the 14th Annual Los Angeles Lantern Festival. Our free signature event marks the closing of the

Lunar New Year festivities with engaging community booths, live entertainment, music, arts & crafts, and food trucks.

A hugely popular Chinese festival around the world, Lantern Festival occurs annually on the fifteenth day of the first lunar month to mark the closing of Chinese New Year festivities. CAM's annual Los Angeles Lantern Festival represents a departure from most other commercially-based street event celebrations, with its primary focus on community building and education. The Los Angeles Lantern Festival embraces the mission of the Chinese American Museum to foster a deeper understanding and appreciation of America's diverse heritage by sharing the history, cultural legacy and continuing contributions of Chinese Americans by providing a free festival that encourages the public to celebrate Chinese America.

For sponsorship opportunities, please contact Lucille Wang at 213-485-8356 or [lwang@camla.org](mailto:lwang@camla.org).

Entertainment

Please check back for more details.

Art n' Crafts

Abacus-making

Balloon artist

Chinese calligraphy

Chinese Spring character-cutting

Face painting

Greeting card-making

Ram puppet-making

Kite-making

Lantern-making

Page coloring

Red envelope making

Activity workshop hosted by LA Plaza

Activity workshop inspired by the community gallery currently exhibited at CAM, *Ink Painting and Construction of Contemporary Chinese Art*

Community Booths

Please check back for more details.

Food Trucks

Please check back for more details.

Public Transit

We are conveniently located across the street from Union Station

Take the Metro Red, Purple or Gold Line to Union Station

or go to [Metro Trip Planner](#) to find your bus route to the festival.

Bus Stops around and in walking distance of the Plaza

Big Blue Bus – [Rapid 10](#)

MTA – 40, 68, 70, 71, 76, 78, 79, 96, Silverline

Foothill Transit – Silver Streak

March 7 Schabarum Regional Park Cherry Blossom Festival

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

This event is offered free of charge with your \$ 6.00 paid vehicle entrance fee.

### Events Featuring

- Taiko (Japanese Drumming)
- Chinese Martial Art
- Dragon Dance
- Line Dance
- Hawaiian Hula Dance

Feel free to bring your own food for BBQ or Picnic after the events.

- Jazz Band
- Social Dance
- Yunji Dance
- Tai Chi

17520 East Colima Road, Rowland Heights, 91748

contact Anita Tam at [sf4schabarum@yahoo.com](mailto:sf4schabarum@yahoo.com) or (626) 854-5560

<http://www.SchabarumParkFoundation.org>

### March 15 Torrance Columbia Park Cherry Blossom Festival

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

The Annual Cherry Bloddom Festival returns to Torrance. Bring a picnic and beach chairs and sit amongst the blossoming cherry trees. Entertainment and interactive activities will be provided. Sponsors include: the City of Torrance, the Torrance Sister City Association, Torrance Artist's Guild, Torrance Craftsman's Guild, and Soka Gakkai International

18861 Prairie Ave, Torrance

Location of Cherry Blossom Trees: Corner of Prairie & 190th

### March 21 West Covina Cherry Blossom Festival

### March 21 Descanso Garden Cherry Blossom Festival

### March 28 Japan Family Day at Santa Anita Park

285 W Huntington Dr

Arcadia, CA 91007

(626) 574-7223

10:30AM

### April 18-19 Cherry Blossom Festival

Planned and coordinated by community volunteers, the Cherry Blossom Festival strives to provide a cultural arts event that offers a forum for learning, entertainment, fun, and support of community.

The 2015 Cherry Blossom Festival Committee and the City of Monterey Park are pleased to present the 18th Annual Cherry Blossom Festival on April 18-19, 2015. Entry to the festival is free to the public.

- Saturday, April 18, 2015, 11 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

- Sunday, April 19, 2015, 11 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Barnes Park, 350 S. McPherrin Ave., Monterey Park, CA 91754.

#### Event Festivities

Take the time to see, hear, and taste a bit of the Japanese and Japanese American culture through a first-hand experience of watching traditional Japanese dancing, hearing the resounding beats of the taiko drums, observing the mastery and various skills of martial arts, participating in the ancient art of the tea ceremony, or buying hand-made crafts or food with an Asian flair. Other highlights of the festival include games and crafts for children, and numerous cultural displays.

<http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/673/Cherry-Blossom-Festival>

#### May 16 Lotus Steps

<https://ccdcbruins.wordpress.com/multimedia/photos/lotus-steps-2011/>

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This weekend (give or take a little)

Feb 28, March 1 Firecracker 5K/10K

Bike Ride

(February 28, 2015)

8:15am: Bike Ride Opening Ceremony

9:00am: 30+ Mile Bike Ride

9:30am: 20+ Mile Bike Ride

5K/10K/Kiddie Run

(March 1, 2015)

7:30am: Run/Walk Opening Ceremony

8:00am: 5K Run/Walk

8:30am: 10K Run/Walk

9:45am: Kiddie Run

<http://firecracker10k.org>

February 28, 2015 Hello! Exhibiting Artists Panel Discussion

Saturday, Saturday,

Artists Paul Frank, Simone Legno, and Brandi Milne, whose work is featured in the contemporary art portion of Hello! The Supercute World of Hello Kitty, will participate in a discussion about their work and how Hello Kitty served as inspiration.

The artists will sign copies of the [Hello! exhibition catalog](#) after the discussion.

\$12 members; \$15 non-members. Does not include admission.

#### ARTIST BIOS

Paul Frank

Paul Frank is an internationally known artist whose bold, satirical designs for clothing and accessories have appeared in magazines, television shows, commercials, music videos, and motion pictures. Frank also creates fine art, which he describes as his character designs brought to life in soft sculptural form through sewing, carving, woodworking, and screen printing.

Simone Legno

Simone Legno is the creative director and co-founder of tokidoki, an innovative line of apparel, handbags, cosmetics, and accessories. Tokidoki, which means “sometimes” in Japanese, has a worldwide following and has collaborated with numerous brands including LeSportsac, Marvel, Levi’s, Smashbox cosmetics, and Xbox. Legno describes his brand’s philosophy as “the hope that something magical will happen to us.”

Brandi Milne

Brandi Milne’s rustic, melancholy scenarios recall classic European Gothic paintings while simultaneously expressing deeply personal narratives of growth and struggle. In conjunction with the exhibition Hello! Exploring the Supercute World of Hello Kitty Japanese American National Museum

100 North Central Avenue, Los Angeles California 90012

phone: (213) 625-0414

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

March 1, 2015 On the Verandah: Hinamatsuri

Sunday, at 1:00PM

at JACCC South Gallery / Tea House

244 S San Pedro St.

Los Angeles, CA 90012

Hinamatsuri roots are placed back to an ancient custom called hina-nagashi, or “doll floating” where people would float dolls down the river to carry away the bad spirits.

Today, families with daughters display their heirloom dolls called hina-ningyo, representing the Emperor, Empress, and their attendants dressed in beautiful ancient Heian Period (794-1185) court costumes. On the day of Hinamatsuri, they celebrate by having delicious Japanese treats and drink, and “offering” it to the dolls.

This one-day workshop focuses on the traditions and symbols surrounding Hinamatsuri or Japanese Girl’s Day. Children can learn about this special Girl’s day celebration through hands-on craft activities.

This year, we are pleased to announce that a special tea ceremony demonstration with a Koto workshop & mini-concert from the graduate students of CalArts

The Veranda is the space between man and nature, between structure and garden, between here and there. It is the space that lingers in-between, the tradition that pulls us into both worlds. The Veranda is a Japanese cultural phenomenon that understands this space between man and nature which heightens the experience of true viewing of things that surround us. The JACCC will continue to present some of the most informative and insightful workshops by trained masters.

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Where I went last weekend (or the weekend before): See [dkikemi.blogspot.com](http://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](http://fullertonarboretum.org/museum_nikkei.php)

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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.

Monterey Park nears a demographic milestone, yet race rarely discussed

**FRANK SHYONG** contact the reporter

Feb 24

<http://www.latimes.com/local/politics/la-me-race-monterey-park-elections-20150225-story.html>

For Asian Americans, a changing landscape on college admissions

**FRANK SHYONG**

Feb 21

<http://www.latimes.com/local/california/la-me-adv-asian-race-tutoring-20150222-story.html#page=1>

Why are women leaving the tech industry in droves?

**TRACEY LIEN**

Feb 22

<http://www.latimes.com/business/la-fi-women-tech-20150222-story.html#page=1>

Asian immigrants less likely to seek deportation protection, data show

**KATE LINTHICUM**

Feb 20

<http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-asian-immigrants-20150220-story.html#page=1>

Lunar New Year: Find your perfect Chinese zodiac match

Feb 19

<http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-lunar-new-year-zodiac-matchmaking-made-easy-20150219-story.html>

'Dendera': Yuya Sato on his fable about old women battling a bear

NOELENE CLARK contact the reporter

Feb 25

<http://www.latimes.com/books/jacketcopy/la-et-jc-dendera-yuya-sato-20150220-story.html#page=1>

'The Legend of Zelda' gets an orchestral treatment at the Venetian in June

By SUSAN STAPLETON

Feb 25

<http://www.latimes.com/travel/lasvegas/lasvegasnow/la-tr-lvn-las-vegas-shows-nintendo-zelda-20150224-story.html>

To ring in the year of the sheep, more Chinese go abroad

SEAN SILBERT

Feb 25

<http://www.latimes.com/world/asia/la-fg-chinese-new-year-abroad-20150225-story.html>

Yutaka Katayama dies at 105; auto exec led Japan's rise in U.S. market

JERRY HIRSCH contact the reporter

Feb 21

<http://www.latimes.com/local/obituaries/la-me-yutaka-katayama-20150222-story.html#page=1>

Revelers bring their appetites to O.C. celebration of Lunar New Year

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Feb 21

<http://www.latimes.com/local/orangecounty/la-me-ff-0222-lunar-new-year-20150222-story.html>