

March 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/> 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

January 22 through March 29 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

April 6 Art Talk at Scripps College, April 6, 7:30 pm, "Tea House as Living Museum"

Japanese Design / Art Talk

Ruth Chandler Williamson Gallery

Scripps College

11th Street and Columbia Avenue, Claremont, CA 91711

rcwg.scrippscollege.edu

Also,

Lecture, April 6, 2015, Steele Hall 101, 7:30 pm

Robert Hori, Urasenke Tea Ceremony Organization and Huntington Library and Gardens

"Arbor of Pure Breeze: The Tea House as a Living Museum"

Supported by the Jacqueline Avant Lectures in Japanese Art

Festival of Books

Saturday, April 18, 2015 | 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, April 19, 2015 | 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Book Prizes Ceremony

Saturday, April 18, 2015 | 6:30 p.m.

Bovard Auditorium

What is the Festival of Books?

The Los Angeles Times Festival of Books began in 1996 with a simple goal: to bring together the people who create books with the people who love to read them. The festival was an immediate success and has evolved to include live bands, poetry readings, chef demos, cultural entertainment and artists creating their work on-site. There's also a photography exhibit, film screenings followed by Q&A's and discussion panels on some of today's hottest topics.

USC Campus

University of Southern California

University Park Campus

Los Angeles, CA 90089

<http://events.latimes.com/festivalofbooks/the-festival/info/>

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>

LOS ANGELES ASIAN PACIFIC FILM FESTIVAL April 23 through 30, 2015

<http://www.site.asianfilmfestla.org>

April 25, 26 Torrance Sister City Association's "Bunka Sai"

Torrance Sister City Association (TSCA) presents its 43rd annual "Bunka Sai" Japanese Cultural Festival on Saturday and Sunday, April 25 & 26 from 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Ken Miller Recreation Center in Torrance. Admission and parking are free.

This annual event features demonstrations of Japanese dance, koto and shakuhachi music, traditional vocal music, taiko drums, shodo calligraphy, and origami.

Okinawa taiko & dance exhibition and martial arts performances such as kendo, judo, aikido and naginata and a kimono show. Beautiful ikebana (flower arranging) and bonsai and dolls are also on display.

Kamishibai Japanese story telling in English and Japanese both days. Games and crafts for kids. A fun and educational event for families and the community.

Japanese sweets (mochi & Okinawa dango) and food; yakisoba, curry rice and “plate lunches” available for purchase.

Proceeds from event benefit Torrance Sister City Association’s student cultural exchange program, which sends students from Torrance to Kashiwa, Japan for three weeks.

TSCA will also host Kashiwa students and an adult leader during the summer. TSCA is a non-profit, community-based, volunteer organization dedicated to promoting goodwill between the people of Torrance and Kashiwa, Japan.

The Ken Miller Recreation Center is located in central Torrance at 3341 Torrance Blvd. at Madrona Ave.

www.torrancesistercity.org

May 16 Lotus Steps

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

This weekend (give or take a little)

March 28 Japan Family Day at Santa Anita Park

285 W Huntington Dr

Arcadia, CA 91007

(626) 574-7223

10:30AM

<http://www.tokyocitycup.com/japan-family-day/>

Friday, March 27, 2015 Asians on Film Festival

Friday, March 27 – Sunday, March 29

The Asians on Film Festival grew out of the website asiansonfilm.com, dedicated to promoting under-recognized Asians and Asian Americans working in the film industry. JANM is proud to host this annual festival, which showcases nearly one hundred of the best short films submitted to asiansonfilm.com over the past year.

Visit asiansonfilm.com for more information and to buy tickets.

Japanese American National Museum

100 North Central Avenue, Los Angeles California 90012 ▪ phone: (213) 625-0414

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

Saturday, March 28, 2015

Edible Adventures: Public Art and the Sweets of Little Tokyo

10:00 AM—2:00 PM

On this walking tour, participants will see and learn about the many works of public art in Little Tokyo, from commemorative statues to spray-painted wall murals. Asian sweets—such as *imagawayaki* (red bean cake), *dango* (sweet dumplings), and mochi ice cream—will be sampled at stores along the way.

\$40 members, \$50 non-members. Sweets and admission to *Common Ground: The Heart of Community* included; lunch stop is extra. Limited to 18 participants.

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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](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.

Lee Kuan Yew remembered: To many, he was Singapore itself
CHRISTINE MAI-DUC
March 23
<http://www.latimes.com/world/asia/la-fg-lee-kuan-yew-tributes-condolences-20150323-story.html>

NEH funds LACMA show on Sri Lanka, Ken Burns film on Vietnam War
By **MIKE BOEHM**
March 24

<http://www.latimes.com/entertainment/arts/culture/la-et-cm-national-endowment-humanities-grants-lacma-ucla-ken-burns-20150324-story.html>

A second look at Steven Spielberg's '1941'

By SUSAN KING

March 19

<http://www.latimes.com/entertainment/movies/la-et-mn-1941-spielberg-20150319-story.html>

'Kumiko, the Treasure Hunter' chases her ' Fargo ' dream

Betsy Sharkey

March 19

<http://www.latimes.com/entertainment/movies/la-et-mn-kumiko-review-20150320-column.html>

Review Lang Lang shows why purists are coming around

RICHARD S. GINELL

March 23

<http://www.latimes.com/entertainment/arts/la-et-cm-lang-lang-review-20150323-story.html>