

January 17, 2017

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 2000-2015 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. You can also try dkikemi@icloud.com.

Long range calendar items:

Los Angeles Public Library:

<http://www.lapl.org>

Thursday, January 12, 2017

7:00 PM—7:30 PM

Gallery Talks

Common Ground Conversations—COMPASSION

FREE

JANM presents a four-week series of public conversations taking place within our core exhibition, *Common Ground: The Heart of Community*. Each conversation, which will be facilitated by a member of our education staff and follow a guiding theme, is intended to generate meaningful dialogue among guests, utilizing Japanese American history to delve into contemporary issues and concerns. Portions of the exhibition will serve as jumping-off points for each conversation.

Common Ground incorporates hundreds of objects, documents, and photographs to chronicle 130 years of Japanese American history, beginning with the first generation of immigrants to the United States (Issei) and including prominent coverage of the World War II incarceration as well as the military service of Japanese Americans during the war.

All are welcome to attend and no tickets or RSVPs are required. *Common Ground* Conversations are free and coincide with JANM's free admission on Thursdays starting at 5 p.m.

January 12: Compassion

January 19: Transparency

January 26: Speaking Out

February 2: Solidarity

In conjunction with the exhibition Common Ground: The Heart of Community
Japanese American National Museum
100 North Central Avenue, Los Angeles California 90012
phone: (213) 625-0414
<http://www.janm.org>

SATURDAY | JANUARY 21

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM | Key Courtyard

Zipang led by Hiroyuki Hayashida

Don't miss this free performance by the incredible Japanese Taiko group, Zipang! Led by internationally-renowned Hiroyuki Hayashida, he is an artist who has the musical ability to create compositions that are very difficult to find in the taiko world. Presented in partnership with Taiko Center of LA.

FREE Event

<http://www.bowers.org/images/pdf/programs-at-a-Glance.pdf>

Bowers Museum

2002 North Main Street, Santa Ana, CA 92706

January 26, 2017 Film Screening: Losing Ground

Climate Change in Central Asia Film Screening and Discussion with Bradley Rappa, Ithaca College

Thursday, Time to be announced

Location to be announced

Film Synopsis

"Losing Ground" documents how climate change, overgrazing, and the destructive mining processes that are currently being used in Mongolia are dramatically changing the traditional pastoral lifestyles of the many rural Mongolian families who depend on healthy and biologically diverse ecosystems for their survival.

<http://www.international.ucla.edu/asia/event/12120>

Saturday, January 28, 2017

2:00 PM

Film Screenings

Film Screening and Discussion—*East Side Sushi*

East Side Sushi follows Juana, a single, working-class Latina mother, as she discovers a passion for making sushi.

Years of working in the food industry have made Juana's hands very fast; she can slice and dice anything with great speed and precision. Forced to give up her fruit-vending cart in order to find a more secure job, Juana becomes a kitchen assistant at a local Japanese restaurant and discovers a whole new world of cuisine and culture, far removed from everything she has known.

As she observes the sushi chefs at work, she secretly teaches herself to make a variety of sushi, and soon finds that her creativity is sparked; she begins to want more from her job and her life. She attempts to become a sushi chef, but faces challenges because

she is the “wrong” race and gender. Against all odds, Juana embarks on a journey of self-discovery, determined to not let anyone stop her from achieving her dream. Members of the cast and crew will be present for a Q&A after the screening. Free with [museum admission](#). RSVPs are recommended using the link below.

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Feb 4 118th Golden Dragon Parade, 1PM

In celebrating over one hundred years of tradition, the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Los Angeles presents the 118th Annual Golden Dragon Parade. With over thousands and thousands of individuals lining the parade route and thousands viewing the telecast each year, this colorful celebrating along North Broadway in Chinatown has become the premiere cultural event in the Southern California Asian-American Community.

<http://www.lagoldendragonparade.com>

Map:

<http://www.lagoldendragonparade.com/new-page/>

Feb. 4–5, Celebrating the Year of the Rooster

Join the fun as we welcome the Year of the Rooster at The Huntington’s annual Chinese New Year Celebration, Saturday and Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Families can enjoy crowd-pleasing lion dancers, amazing performances from a mask-changing artist, plus choreographed martial arts demonstrations, Chinese music, food, and much more. The festivities will take place in and around the Chinese Garden and other performance spaces. All activities are included with general admission. (Free for Members.)

<http://www.huntington.org/WebAssets/Templates/calendardetail.aspx?id=23228>

The Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens. 1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA 91108 626.405.2100

SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 5

11 AM – 3:30 PM

Key Courtyard & Bowers Kidseum

Festival:

Chinese New Year

Celebrate the Year of the Rooster with the excitement of the Lion Dance and the beauty of Traditional Chinese music and dance. Art demonstrations and projects for the entire family!

Ticket Info:

FREE festival. General admission to Bowers Museum and Kidseum is free on Festival Sundays for Members and Santa Ana residents only.

<http://www.bowers.org/images/pdf/programs-at-a-Glance.pdf>

Bowers Museum

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Feb 11-12 Los Angeles Chinatown Firecracker Run

The L.A. Chinatown Firecracker 5/10K Run/Walk is one of the largest and longest-running Chinese New Year charity run in the country. 100% volunteer organized. 100% of net proceeds are reinvested in the local community.

<http://www.firecracker10k.org>

Feb. 11, 2017 Welcoming the Year of the Rooster

Alhambra Lunar New Year Festival

Saturday - Alhambra CA

A large-scale Lunar New Year celebration in Southern California. It begins with a three-week art exhibit at the Alhambra City Hall . The main celebration is a one-day street festival on Valley Blvd. , the heart of the Chinese commercial district in the San Gabriel Valley . The festival's attendance has increased steadily over the years, now averaging 25,000. Corporate America utilizes this venue to reach out to the Asian communities.

Street Festival

Feb. 11, 2017 - Saturday (Free Admission)

10 am - 5 pm on Valley Blvd. in Alhambra from Almansor to Vega

The street festival will be held on 5 city blocks on Valley Blvd. from Almansor St to Vega St. This is the most concentrated Chinese-American commercial district in Southern California . 250 booths, some with featured activities, such as a dragon boat rowing station, an auto square, children's workshops, a health fair and cultural demonstrations, that provide festival-goers with a taste of the Asian culture. Giveaways, fun games, and ethnic foods attract long lines of attendees. Young and old alike enjoy the exposure to Asian culture and strengthening of community ties this event affords.

<http://alhambranewyearfestival.com>

CURRENT EXHIBITIONS

SPECIAL DISPLAY

Only the Oaks Remain: The Story of Tuna Canyon Detention Station

December 10, 2016 – April 9, 2017

The true stories of those targeted as dangerous enemy aliens and imprisoned in the Tuna Canyon Detention Station, located in the Tujunga neighborhood of Los Angeles, during WWII told through rare photographs, letters, and diaries that bring the experiences of imprisoned Japanese, German, and Italian immigrants and Japanese Peruvians to life.

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SACRED REALMS: TEMPLE MURALS BY SHASHI DHOJ TULACHAN FROM THE GAYLE AND EDWARD P. ROSKI COLLECTION

Ongoing

ANCIENT ARTS OF CHINA: A 5000 YEAR LEGACY

Ongoing

Bowers Museum

2002 North Main Street, Santa Ana, CA 92706 · 714.567.3600

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

Jan 19-June 11, 2017 *Roots: Asian American Movements in Los Angeles 1968-80s*

Who is “Asian American”? How did we come into this shifting and expansive idea?

Contrary to popular perception, it is an identity defined out of protest. Starting in the 1960s, a group of young activists shaped “Asian America” through a long decade of fighting displacement, serving their communities, agitating for revolution, and analyzing the intersections of gender, race, and class. From Little Tokyo to Chinatown to Historic Filipinotown to the West Side, in solidarity with Latino, Black, feminist, and international struggles, Los Angeles saw the rise of vibrant artistic and political movements.

Chinese American Museum

425 N. Los Angeles Street

Los Angeles, CA 90012

(The cross street is Arcadia)

<http://camla.org/upcoming-exhibits/>

June 27- May 2017 USC Pacific Asia Museum will undergo a seismic retrofitting to strengthen its foundation, as well as add approximately 700 square-feet of gallery space.

This weekend (give or take a little)

Wednesday, January 18, 2017

7:30 PM—9:30 PM

Tateuchi Public Program Series

Panel Discussion—What Does the Japanese American Experience Tell Us About the Proposed Muslim Registry?

In advocating for a registry to track all Muslims living in or immigrating to the US, President-elect Donald Trump and his followers are raising the specter of the World War II incarceration, without due process, of 120,000 people of Japanese descent, most of whom were US citizens and all of whom were innocent of any crimes. Even though President Ronald Reagan formally apologized for the incarceration and authorized reparations for the former prisoners in 1988, the incident is still being cited as a “precedent” for a Muslim registry.

Do such registries actually make the nation more secure? What is their history in the US and under what circumstances do they lead to detention of large groups of people? What specific lessons can we draw from the Japanese American incarceration as we ponder Trump’s intentions and the best means to combat them?

Join **Lane Ryo Hirabayashi**, UCLA's George and Sakaye Aratani Chair in Japanese American Incarceration, Redress, and Community; **Ali Noorani**, Executive Director of the National Immigration Forum; **Hiroshi Motomura**, UCLA's Susan Westerberg Prager Professor of Law and author of the award-winning books *Immigration Outside the Law* (2014) and *Americans in Waiting: The Lost Story of Immigration and Citizenship in the United States* (2006); and moderator **Ann Burroughs**, JANM's Interim President and CEO, for this important panel discussion.

A Zócalo Public Square/UCLA event, in partnership with the Japanese American National Museum.

RSVP

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Where I went last weekend (or the weekend before):

Missed the Asian Expo since I was in Las Vegas visiting the Nevada State Museum, which does have exhibits on the early Chinese in Nevada.

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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://jacc.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

Articles from the LA Times:

ASIA Jan17

As star attraction at Davos, China's Xi Jinping pushes globalization: 'No one will emerge as a winner in a trade war'

Jessica Meyers

ENVELOPE Jan 17

Films that look back at post-war America like 'Fences' and 'Hidden Figures' are digging deeper this year

Randee Dawn

L.A. NOW Jan 16

There are many Asian American attorneys, yet few are judges, study finds

Associated Press

TRAVEL Jan 16

Take in Diego Rivera's 'Flower Girl' painting at the Norton Simon, then step outside and reflect with real lilies

Christopher Reynolds

NATION Jan 16

Martin Luther King Jr. fought for more than civil rights. This was the protest less remembered

Matt Pearce

NATION Jan 16

Gadget mountain rising in Asia threatens health, environment

STEPHEN WRIGHT

L.A. NOW Jan 14

Zhou Youguang, linguist who developed modern China's Pinyin Romanized writing system, dies at 111

Associated Press

WEEKEND Jan 14

Flower Festival is abloom with Vietnamese culture

David Hansen

JACKET COPY Jan 13

Xu Hongci - Mao's victim, freedom's hero - tells his story in 'No Wall Too High'

Richard Bernstein

NEWS Jan 12

No 3-day Tet festival in F.V. this year, but there will be a concert
Allyson Escobar

MOVIES Jan 12

Katy Perry lends her support to pro-Muslim American PSA
Jen Yamato

L.A. NOW Jan 11

Ex-wife of fugitive Chinese official will forfeit millions of dollars worth of San Gabriel
Valley property in visa fraud case
Frank Shyong

L.A. NOW Jan 9

USC taps diversity expert to run new research center on race and equity
Rosanna Xia

NEWSLETTERS/POLITICS Jan 6

The spirit that rose above internment of Japanese Americans
Fred Dickey

NATION Jan 14

Protesters denounce Trump's anti-immigrant rhetoric, plans at rallies around U.S.
Tribune news services

MOVIES NOW Jan 12

New on video: Charming 'Long Way North,' gritty 'My Father Die'
Noel Murray

ENVELOPE Jan 10

Through 'Silence,' Martin Scorsese examines his own spiritual journey
Glenn Whipp

HERO COMPLEX Jan 9

The original 'Ghost in the Shell' movie is returning to theaters
Tracy Brown

MOVIES Jan 9

There's a message to the madness of animated 'One Piece Film: Gold'
Charles Solomon

ARTS & CULTURE Jan 6

George Takei's Broadway musical 'Allegiance' breaks a theater-screening record
Deborah Vankin

ENTERTAINMENT Jan 6

Sanrio's new character is a red panda filled with rage
Tracy Brown

NATION Jan 5
Breadth of Roof's hatred chronicled in new jailhouse diary excerpts
John Monk and Cynthia Roldan