

March 28, 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>

Saturday, April 8, 2017

11:00 AM—4:00 PM

Family Festivals

JANM Free Family Days: Celebrate Japanese American History

FREE ALL DAY

Learn about Japanese American history and actor/activist George Takei with crafts and activities inspired by our exhibitions, *Instructions to All Persons: Reflections on Executive Order 9066* and *New Frontiers: The Many Worlds of George Takei*. Presented in collaboration with Kizuna.

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Japanese American National Museum
100 North Central Avenue, Los Angeles California 90012
phone: (213) 625-0414
<http://www.janm.org>

April 15 GVJCI Day of Remembrance Art Exhibit: Visions of the Japanese American
Incarceration 1942-2017

Sat, 10AM-4PM

Nisei Veterans Memorial Hall

Come join the GVJCI for our one day art exhibit showcasing the work of multiple artists depicting the Japanese American incarceration and Japanese American life. There will be an art demonstration, art raffle drawing, a spoken word performance, food and refreshments, and much more.

The show is open to all artists and there is no fee to enter.

Admission is free but donations are welcome.

Please contact info@jci-gardena.org if you have any questions.

1964 W. 162nd St

Gardena, CA 90247

<http://www.jci-gardena.org/upcoming-events.html>

The Indian Roots of Global Buddhism

Please save the date!

Saturday, April 29, 2017

Time to be announced

<http://www.international.ucla.edu/asia/event/12351>

Documenting China: An Afternoon with Filmmaker Fan Jian

Film Screening and Discussion with Director FAN Jian

Thursday, May 04, 2017

1:30 PM - 3:45 PM

Melnitz Hall 1422 - Darren Star Screening Room

1:30 Screening of STILL TOMORROW

3:00 Fan Jian in Dialogue with Michael Berry (UCLA, Asian Languages & Cultures)

STILL TOMORROW

Directed by FAN Jian

A YOUKU Production

88mins / HD / COLOR / CHINA

A woman farmer in rural China rises to fame
in the most unlikely fashion- through poetry.

Her words are inspiring,

but her own life reveals myriad challenges and despair.

Can she rise through it all to find balance and true happiness?

Synopsis

A village woman, despite not having finished her high school education, has become China's most famous poet in 2015. Her book of poetry has become the most widely distributed and sold poetry book in China for the past 20 years.

<http://www.international.ucla.edu/asia/event/12522>

The Place of Origin: Central Asia in Indo-Persian Poetry
Central Asia in Transition Lecture by Sunil Sharma, Boston University

Tuesday, May 09, 2017

4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

10383 Bunche Hall

UCLA

<http://www.international.ucla.edu/asia/event/12318>

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/>

THE FIRST KARAOKE: ENKA!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26 - SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2017

OPENING RECEPTION FEBRUARY 26, 1 - 3 P.M.

Bruce Yonemoto's new body of work, a multi-channel media installation refreshes the original political content of Enka songs - traditional-style Japanese popular ballads - by enlisting the help of artists to write contemporary lyrics to recently popular Enka melodies. In addition to Yonemoto's installation, an installation of vintage Enka album covers will be on display. Artists participating include Kaz Oshiro, Koki Tanaka, Taro Hattori, among others. Enka! is made possible in part by a grant from the Pasadena Art Alliance.

Learn more about Bruce Yonemoto's work [here](#).

244 SOUTH SAN PEDRO STREET

(BETWEEN 2ND AND 3RD STREETS)

LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

(213) 628-2725

<http://www.jaccc.org/visualandculturalarts>

Executive Order 9066: The 75th Anniversary

January 31, 2017 to May 31, 2017

Library Exhibit Gallery

A large group of children are photographed outside of the Palos Verdes Language School and Portuguese Bend Community Center. From [CSU Dominguez Hills Digital Collections](#) as part of the California State University Japanese American Digitization Project.

Executive Order 9066, signed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt on February 19, 1942, resulted in the forced removal of Japanese Americans living on the West Coast of the United States, most of whom were US citizens. Americans of Japanese descent were ultimately incarcerated in ten camps around the US administered by the War Relocation Authority (WRA). On December 18, 1944 the US Supreme Court ruled that loyal American citizens could not be detained without cause regardless of their cultural descent, and on January 2, 1945 the order was rescinded. As inmates were released, they were given \$25 and a train ticket home. The Tule Lake Segregation Center, the last camp in operation, shut down on March 20, 1946.

On display in the center of the gallery are newspapers produced by inmates in the Gila River and Poston camps in Arizona, the Jerome and Rohwer camps in Arkansas, the Manzanar and Tule Lake camps in California, the Granada camp in Colorado, the Topaz

camp in Utah, and the Heart Mountain camp in Wyoming. They provide first-hand information about the lives of the incarcerated via articles about mess halls and other communal spaces, school events, baseball leagues, dances, and more. Broader issues of interest in every camp are also prevalent, including the loyalty questionnaire used by the WRA to determine the "Americanness" of incarcerated adults, the subsequent segregation at Tule Lake of those deemed "disloyal" via the questionnaire, the status of Korematsu v. US, and information about Japanese Americans serving in the military overseas.

Oviatt Library
California State University, Northridge
18111 Nordhoff Street
Northridge, CA 91330
Phone: 818-677-2285
<http://library.csun.edu/About/VisitorInformation>

May 30 - June 25, 2017 Hold These Truths

Seventy-five years ago, an executive order called for American citizens to be ripped from their homes and forced into internment camps, detained solely based on their heritage and ancestry. Amid the chaos, one young student stands up for what he passionately believes is right in the face of a country deeply divided between national security and freedom for all. Based on the true story of Gordon Hirabayashi, *Hold These Truths* is a shockingly relevant cautionary tale of the injustices perpetrated when nationalism, fear and hysteria collide.

Tickets On Sale April 3!

Pasadena Playhouse

39 S. El Molino Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101 [map](#) (626) 356-7529

<http://www.pasadenaplayhouse.org/htt>

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)

Skid Row-Kyo Cherry Blossom Festival

April 1, 2017 from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Centenary United Methodist Church

300 S. Central Avenue

Los Angeles, CA 90013

On Saturday April 1, 2017 Centenary is hosting the 2017 Skid Row-Kyo Cherry Blossom Festival. This is a free event and all are welcome. Come join in the spirit of culture and community. The festival will have music, dance, entertainment and DTLA/Little Tokyo

largest Flee Market with community neighbors selling new, 2nd hand, collectables, hand craft, boutique, art, too much to list...

Skid Row-Kyo (pronounced "skid – row – kee - oh") refers to the location where Little Tokyo, the Artist District and Skidrow intersects. Centenary located at 300 S. Central Ave. LA 90013 is the heart of "Skid Row-Kyo." This is a "Rain or Shine" Indoor/Outdoor event. Entrance will be via our 3rd Street side of Centenary's property. Limited pay parking will be available on site at the event.

<https://skidrow-kyo.org>

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

Torrance Cherry Blossom Festival

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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:

NATION March 29

Chinese anger, fears exposed in France after police killing

THOMAS ADAMSON and CHRIS DEN HOND

Chinese immigrants and China's government are protesting a police killing in Paris that prompted violent street clashes and exposed the fears and frustrations of France's large Asian community. Protesters gathered Tuesday in northeast Paris for a second day of demonstrations over the fatal shooting...

EDUCATION March 28

Essential Education: USC professors push administrators to protect foreign students and staff

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MOVIES March 28

The original 'Ghost in the Shell' was a watershed film in animation history

Charles Solomon

AFRICA March 27

Ahmed Kathrada dies at 87; Nelson Mandela's trusted ally helped overturn apartheid in South Africa

Robyn Dixon

Ahmed Kathrada, a close confidante of Nelson Mandela who dedicated his life to opposing apartheid and racism, died in Johannesburg on Tuesday morning. He was 87. Kathrada died after suffering a "short period of illness," according to a statement from the Ahmed Kathrada Foundation. He was hospitalized...

ESSENTIAL POLITICS March 27

It's not just Berniecrats: Korean voters could also swing L.A.'s congressional race in a big way

Christine Mai-Duc

OPINION L.A. March 27

California was once a bastion of xenophobia and racism. If we can change, so can the rest of the country

Maribel Garcia Ochoa

NATION March 25

Chicago immigration judge grants asylum to teen blogger from Singapore who was detained at O'Hare

Sophia Tareen

EDITORIAL March 25

Pretty much the only thing Trump's border wall will block is common sense

The Times Editorial Board

WEEKEND March 25

O.C.'s Koreatown: Buena Park draws residents and businesses from L.A.

Alex Chan and Bryce Alderton

Buena Park has drawn many Koreans and their businesses from Los Angeles since the riots of 1992. International companies are also finding a home in the northern O.C. city.

WEEKEND March 24

'Amazing stories of survival': UCI oral history project preserves Vietnamese refugees' hopes, fears and challenges

Caitlin Yoshiko Kandil

NATION March 24

Maryland high school thrust into immigration debate

BRIAN WITTE

CAROLINA A. MIRANDA March 23

On the trail of Yma Sumac: The exotica legend came from Peru, but her career was all Hollywood

Carolina A. Miranda

CALIFORNIA March 23

Immigrant advocates spread the word: Be prepared, be self-reliant, know your rights
Esmeralda Bermudez

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NEWSLETTERS March 28

Essential California: 'Sanctuary cities' won't back down

Benjamin Oreskes, Shelby Grad

ESSENTIAL POLITICS March 27

Blasting federal action on immigration, California's chief justice warns the rule of law is under threat

Patrick McGreevy

L.A. NOW March 25

'They're so scared.' Trump brings heartache, fear in L.A.'s 'Ellis Island'

Ruben Vives

OP-ED March 24

His family's internment earned apologies from a human rights commission. Will the U.S. government respond?

Evelyn Iritani

CAROLINA A. MIRANDA March 23

Datebook: Two centuries of African American women, painting California, art about 'La Bestia'

Carolina A. Miranda

NATION March 29

Former Army medic arrested in vandalism at Colorado mosque

Police arrested a former Army medic after a vandal broke windows and left a Bible at a Colorado mosque — an act that led to an outpouring of support for Muslims, authorities said Joseph Scott Giaquinto, 35, was taken into custody Monday on suspicion of committing a crime motivated by bias and other...

