

July 12, 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.

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Please send in information on cultural events and news items to [dkikemi@pacbell.net](mailto:dkikemi@pacbell.net). You can also try [dkikemi@icloud.com](mailto:dkikemi@icloud.com).  
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Long range calendar items:

Los Angeles Public Library:

<http://www.lapl.org>

LIBRARY FOUNDATION OF LOS ANGELES | ALOUD PRESENT

AN EVENING WITH SHERMAN ALEXIE

YOU DON'T HAVE TO SAY YOU LOVE ME

A PERFORMANCE

TUESDAY, JULY 18 • 7:30 PM

CO-PRESENTED WITH JACCC AT THE ARATANI THEATRE

244 SOUTH SAN PEDRO STREET

(BETWEEN 2ND AND 3RD STREETS)

LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

(213) 628-2725

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

LITTLE TOKYO

GARDEN CONCERTS

SUNDAYS

JULY 16 & AUGUST 6, 2017

JAMES IRVINE JAPANESE GARDEN

6PM-9PM

Returning for its third season, the Little Tokyo Garden Concerts honor the intimate, outdoor and natural setting with two special concerts curated for the garden experience

LARAAJI

SUNDAY JULY 16

JAMES IRVINE JAPANESE GARDEN

6:00PM DOORS, 7:00PM SHOW

This concert promises to be an exquisite sound immersion of expansive dimensions. The world renowned innovative zither/harp master, composer, and sound healing presence of Laraaji is joined by collaborative partner, sound healing musician Reiki Master Arji OceAnanda for an evening of celestial sound making.

RODRIGO AMARANTE

SUNDAY AUGUST 6

JAMES IRVINE JAPANESE GARDEN

6:00PM DOORS, 7:00PM SHOW

Songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Rodrigo Amarante shares a solo set on a Sunday evening. With his wistful melodies and enchanting sound, this is the perfect soundtrack to a summer night in the garden.

JAMES IRVINE JAPANESE GARDEN

244 S. San Pedro St.

Los Angeles, CA 90012

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

July 22, 2017 How to Find Your Japanese Immigrant Ancestors

Saturday, 2:00 PM

Partnerships & Collaborations

Learn how to conduct research using the federal immigration and naturalization records maintained by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). Led by Marisa Louie Lee, former archivist at the National Archives at San Francisco and an avid researcher and genealogist who specializes in federal records.

Free with museum admission. RSVPs are recommended

Japanese American National Museum

100 North Central Avenue, Los Angeles California 90012

phone: (213) 625-0414

<http://www.janm.org/events/2017/07/>

Thursday, July 27, 2017

7:00 PM

Film Screenings

Outdoor Concert and Movie Night—*Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country*

FREE

Join us for a set by Tim Russ Crew, a pop-rock band led by *Star Trek* actor Tim Russ, followed by a screening of *Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country* (1991), the last of the *Star Trek* films to feature the entire original cast from the television series, including George Takei as Hikaru Sulu, now commander of the *USS Excelsior*. Welcome remarks by George Takei (subject to availability).

Supported by Los Angeles County Arts Commission.

In conjunction with the exhibition *New Frontiers: The Many Worlds of George Takei*

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

Saturday, July 29, 2017  
2:00 PM

Film Screenings

Film Screening and Q&A—Never Give Up! Minoru Yasui and the Fight for Justice (Part 1)

Join us for the LA premiere of this new documentary film tracing the life of noted civil rights activist Min Yasui from his childhood in the farming community of Hood River, Oregon, to his career as the first Japanese American attorney in that state and his family's experiences during World War II. A preview of the forthcoming Part 2 is included.

Q&A to follow with filmmaker Holly Yasui, daughter of the noted activist. Free with museum admission. RSVPs are recommended.

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2017 WLA Obon will be held on July 29 & 30.  
4-9PM  
2003 Corinth Avenue West Los Angeles, CA 90025  
<http://westlosangelesbuddhisttemple.org/activities/obonfestival>

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>

March 12 - August 20, 2017

New Frontiers: The Many Worlds of George Takei

*New Frontiers: The Many Worlds of George Takei* explores the life and career of pioneering actor, activist, and social media icon George Takei. By examining Takei's diverse experiences and achievements, this entertaining and interactive exhibition creates a portrait of a unique individual while offering an innovative means of engaging with the social history of America.

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

February 18 - August 13, 2017

Instructions to All Persons: Reflections on Executive Order 9066

On February 19, 1942, President Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066, which paved the way for the forced removal and incarceration of 120,000 Japanese Americans from the West Coast following Japan's bombing of Pearl Harbor. To commemorate the 75th anniversary of this historic miscarriage of justice, the Japanese American National Museum presents *Instructions to All Persons: Reflections on Executive Order 9066*, an educational and interactive exhibition designed to engage visitors in critical discussions of the Japanese America

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JULY 9–23 BEIKOKU SHODO KENKYU-KAI CONTEMPORARY CALLIGRAPHY EXHIBITION

GEORGE J. DOIZAKI GALLERY

Beikoku Shodo Kenkyu-kai, an art of calligraphy, led by Hiroko Ikuta. The exhibition showcases 30 works, each reflecting the artists' individual interpretation of calligraphy with the flow of brush and ink.

JAPANESE AMERICAN CULTURAL & COMMUNITY CENTER

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

? 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.

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This weekend (give or take a little)

July 15-16 Lotus Festival

[751 Echo Park Ave](#)

[Los Angeles, California, CA 90026](#)

[https://www.facebook.com/pg/lalotusfestival/about/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/lalotusfestival/about/?ref=page_internal)

July 16, 2017 Sozenji Buddhist Temple Obon

Sunday, 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Obon service, Japanese food and entertainment.

Food Bazaar: Chirashi Sushi, Okinawa Dango, Somen, Spam Musubi, Sushi, Teriyaki Beef, Teriyaki Chicken.

Farmer's Market: Fresh fruit and vegetables.

Public is invited.

Schedule

2:00 pm - Obon Service

4:00 pm - Entertainment

5:30 pm - Japanese Folk Singing

6:00 pm - Japanese Folk Dancing - Bon Odori Dance

6:30 pm - Live Taiko

7:00 pm - Raffle drawing

Sozenji Buddhist Temple, 3020 W. Beverly Blvd, Montebello CA 90640

<http://www.japanese-city.com/calendar/events/index.php?com=detail&eID=34668>

July 15 & 16 2017 Obon Festival

Orange County Buddhist Church

Sat: 2:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Sun: 2:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Obon Schedule

6:30 pm: Taiko performance (both days)

7:00 - 8:30 pm: Bon Odori Dancing

909 S DALE AVE, ANAHEIM, CA, 92804

(714) 827-9590

[OCBC909@AOL.COM](mailto:OCBC909@AOL.COM)

<http://www.ocbuddhist.org>

July 22-23 Pasadena Obon

Festival Schedule (July 22 & 23):

5:00-6:00 Hondo Open (Rev. Gibbs available for Q&A)

5:50 PM (Sunday): Introduction of Nisei Week Court

6:00 L.A. TAIKO ICHIZA performance (Saturday)

6:00 WLA TAIKO performance (Sunday)

6:30 Obon Dancing - audience participation

Martial Arts Demonstrations (Sakai Hall)

Saturday:

4:00 QI GONG

5:00 SHOTOKAN KARATE (PJCI)

5:30 KENDO (PJCI)

Sunday:

5:00 KYUDO - Nanka Kyudo Kai (PJCI)

5:30 NAGINATA - Pasadena Naginata Dojo

Exhibitions (Sakai Hall):

The Buddhist Church Experience in the WWII Camps, 1942-1945

Ikenobo Ikebana Display

Art by Edward "Fuzzy" Fujimoto

Pasadena Buddhist Temple

1993 Glen Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91103

(626) 798-4781

[PasadenaSangha@gmail.com](mailto:PasadenaSangha@gmail.com)

<http://www.pasadenabuddhisttemple.org/2017-obon.html>

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

July 8-9 Zenshuji Obon Carnival  
11AM-8PM  
123 South Hewitt Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012  
<http://www.zenshuji.org/images/Obon2017.jpg>

July 8-9 Nishi Obon  
2-10PM  
815 East First Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012  
<https://www.nishihongwanji-la.org/temple/obon/>

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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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Articles from the LA Times:

NATION July 13

Afghan girls will be allowed into US for robotics contest

JILL COLVIN

L.A. NOW July 12

UC Board of Regents adds experts in sports management, media, arms control, finance

Teresa Watanabe

MOVIES July 10

Diversity isn't a plot point in 'Spider-Man: Homecoming.' It's just normal for millennial

New Yorkers like Peter Parker

Jen Yamato

NEWSLETTERS July 8

Essential California: With only one left, iconic 'running immigrants' road sign borders on extinct

Benjamin Oreskes and Shelby Grad

COMPANY TOWN July 8

In Hollywood, Asian American actors see few lead roles, and pay discrepancies when they land one

Meg James and David Ng

BUSINESS July 7

When she interviewed for a dishwashing job, Lina Hu got a \$40-million idea

Ronald D. White

NEWS July 6

Asian American women are at the forefront of trendsetting, taste-making and entrepreneurship, report finds

Caitlin Yoshiko Kandil

L.A. NOW July 11

Trump's budget would kill a crucial piece of a global tsunami warning system, sparking alarm in California and beyond

Rong-Gong Lin II

OP-ED July 10

A Muslim and a Jew urge the Supreme Court to strike down the Muslim ban

Zev Yaroslavsky and Salam Al-Marayati

READERS REACT July 7

A Japanese American veteran's heroism reminds us what makes America great

HOME & GARDEN July 7

A new graphic novel by clutter buster Marie Kondo aims to help you tidy  
Bonnie McCarthy

TELEVISION July 10

Tuesday's TV highlights: 'The Story of China' on PBS

Ed Stockly