

March 21, 2018 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 2000-2017 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>

TOYO: BEHIND THE GLASS EYE | PART II
FEBRUARY 21–APRIL 1
GEORGE J. DOIZAKI GALLERY

Toyo: Behind the Glass Eye juxtaposes Toyo Miyatake's pre-war studio work with his photographs of life in the Manzanar incarceration camp—some captured secretly before being caught and some after he was eventually allowed by the authorities to serve as camp photographer.

GEORGE J. DOIZAKI GALLERY
WEDNESDAY - SUNDAY: 12 - 4 PM
244 SOUTH SAN PEDRO STREET
(BETWEEN 2ND AND 3RD STREETS)
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
(213) 628-2725
<http://www.jaccc.org/visualandculturalarts>

Saturday, March 31, 2018

2:00 PM

Partnerships & Collaborations

Film Screening and Discussion—Proof of Loyalty: Kazuo Yamane and the Nisei Soldiers of Hawai'i

With a population that included a significant percentage of persons of Japanese ancestry, the state of Hawaii did not experience the mass incarcerations that Japanese Americans on the West Coast did following the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Only a small percentage of the islands' Japanese Americans were sent to prison camps, and large numbers of the state's Nisei volunteered for and served with distinction in the US Army. The 2017 documentary film *Proof of Loyalty* tells the compelling story of one of those soldiers, Kazuo Yamane. Educated as a child in Hawaii and eventually graduating from Japan's prestigious Waseda University, Yamane was drafted into the US Army just before the Pearl Harbor attack. With his strong Japanese language skills, he was plucked from the infantry ranks to serve first at the Pentagon, then at a secret facility in northern Maryland, and finally under Eisenhower in Europe. Most importantly, he would identify a secret document that would significantly help America's war in the Pacific. A Q&A with Lucy Ostrander, one of the two filmmakers behind the film, will follow the screening. Presented with Go For Broke National Education Center (GFBNEC). Free for JANM and GFBNEC members and included with admission to JANM or GFBNEC. RSVPs are recommended

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

April 7, 2018 Opening Day: hapa.me – 15 years of the hapa project

Special Events Saturday

In this new exhibition, artist Kip Fulbeck continues his project, begun in 2001, of photographing persons who identify as “Hapa”—of mixed Asian/Pacific Islander descent—as a means of promoting awareness and positive acceptance of multiracial identity.

hapa.me pairs the photographs and statements from the groundbreaking 2006 exhibition, *kip fulbeck: part asian, 100% hapa*, with contemporary portraits of the same individuals and newly written statements, showing not only their physical changes in the ensuing years, but also changes in their perspectives and outlooks on the world.

hapa.me also includes portraits of hundreds of new participants and an interactive section where viewers can join the community by having their portrait taken and writing their own personal statement.

Opening day activities will include live performances, art activities, a panel discussion, and a catalog signing. Check back for details and updates.

In conjunction with the exhibition hapa.me – 15 years of the hapa project

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Free Second Sunday

Sunday, April 8th, 2018 from 11:00 am

USC Pacific Asia Museum

Join us as we explore the art of printmaking with special guests from Self Help Graphics & Art (SHG). Artist from their Bario Mobile Art Studio will guide you through the process of making your own silkscreen printed poster!

While you're here, don't miss your chance to go on a guided tour of Winds from Fusang: Mexico and China in the Twentieth Century and listen to storytime in the Silk Road Gallery.

Free admission all day!

PACIFIC ASIA MUSEUM

46 North Los Robles Avenue

Pasadena, California 91101

<http://pacificasiamuseum.usc.edu/calendar/details/?event-id=1223323>

Monterey Park **21st Annual Cherry Blossom Festival** on April 21-22, 2018

Barnes Park, 350 S. McPherrin Ave., Monterey Park, CA 91754.

Saturday, April 21, 2018, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Sunday, April 22, 2018, 11 a.m.-6 p.m.

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

This weekend (give or take a little)

March 24 Peacock Day at LA Arboretum

Join us as we celebrate PEACOCKS and their native country INDIA

Rajasthani Folk Dance by Desi Girls Photo by Sekhar Ravinutala

[Watch Video](#)

Dance and music performances

12:30 – 1:00pm Dance and Sitar Music

- Mayura Alarippu: A peacock inspired dance performed by Alpana Sreedhar Akarshana School of Dance

- Desi Girls, Rajasthani Folk Dance

- Aalok Mehta, Sitar music

1–1:30 Bollywood demonstration and workshop

- Amna Dance

2–2:30pm **Kathak**

- Kathak Kala Academy and Indian Performing Art Center. [Watch Video.](#)

Children's activities

10am, 10:30am and 11am Bookworms Storytelling 12pm kids parade; dress in your peacock costumes! Crafts and family scavenger hunt Peacock information station

Other activities

11:30am Indian food cooking demonstration; Live mural painting by local artist Indian food at the Peacock Café; Indian arts, crafts and henna booth 1:30pm Peacock walking tour Peacock items for sale at the Gift Shop

Regular admission applies:

\$9 adults; \$6 seniors and students with ID;

\$4 children 5—12; 4 and under free

Peacock Day is organized in collaboration with the Hindu Temple and Heritage Foundation, a non-profit organization devoted to preserving and promoting the rich heritage of Indian culture.

Los Angeles County Arboretum and Botanic Garden • 626.821.3222 • 301 North Baldwin Ave, Arcadia, CA 91007

<http://www.arboretum.org/events/peacock-day/>

March 24 Brand Associates Music Series - Chika Inoue

2PM

The award winning classical saxophonist Chika Inoue performs with pianist Mary Au. Music of Franz Schubert, John Williams, Darius Milhaud, Ryo Noda, François Borne/ Georges Bizet and Toshihiro Fujishiro. Admission is free, sponsored by the Brand Associates. A reception will follow the concert. For more information on Chika Inoue please visit <http://www.chikainoue.com>

Brand Library & Art Center, 1601 W Mountain St, Glendale, United States

<https://allevents.in/glendale/brand-associates-music-series-chika-inoue/313565792478331>

March 25 Torrance Cherry Blossom Cultural Festival

11AM-4PM

Columbia Park, Torrance, California

4045 190th St.

<https://www.eventsinusa.net/event-torrance-cherry-blossom-cultural-festival-torrance-14422932>

March 25, Lady Tsen Mei/Josephine Moy: the first chinese (american) film star
Presented by Dr. Ramona Curry, Associate Professor of English and Media and Cinema Studies at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Sunday, 2 to 4 p.m.

Free; advance registration recommended.

Learn about the career and star image of Lady Tsen Mei, a now largely forgotten pioneering stage and screen entertainer who rose to prominence in the early years of film.

The story of Lady Tsen Mei, born Josephine

Moy, yields a particularly revealing history of the challenges for aspiring Chinese and other "racialized" American entertainers in the early 20th century. Dr. Curry will present archival materials in conjunction with her talk, including surviving clips from Mei's *Im, Lotus Blossom* (1921), which was filmed in Boyle Heights and premiered on Hill Street in Downtown Los Angeles.

Homestead Museum

15415 East Don Julian Road,

City of Industry, CA 91745

(626) 968-8492

homesteadmuseum.org

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Where I went the past week:

Books & Conversations

Author Discussion—*Hiroshima Boy* by Naomi Hirahara

The latest and final installment in the Mas Arai series finds the curmudgeonly detective returning to Hiroshima to bring his best friend's ashes to a relative. However, Mas quickly becomes embroiled in the mysterious death of a teenage boy, who was about the same age he was when he survived the atomic bomb in 1945.

Join award-winning author Naomi Hirahara for a reading and discussion.

Included with [museum admission](#). RSVPs are recommended

Japanese American National Museum

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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/>

<http://camla.org/events/calendar.htm>

Historic Trails, Modern Tales

New sites were added to our historic trails. Visit trails.camla.org for a self-guided tour of Chinatown. Use your mobile device along the path and explore the histories of the community.

Korean Cultural Center <http://www.kccla.org/>

Japanese American Community Cultural Center <http://jaccc.org/>

Pacifica Asian Museum <http://www.pacificasianmuseum.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:

WORLD

[Women's Day marches worldwide bolstered by groundswell of #MeToo](#)

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ARTS & CULTURE

[Lauren Yee, playwright on the verge](#)

By STEVE APPLEFORD

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REVIEW

[With heart and humanity, this 'Raisin in the Sun' still hits home](#)

By F. KATHLEEN FOLEY
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REVIEW

In praise of musical tourism: Huayin Shadow Puppet Band and Cloud Gate Dance Theatre

By MARK SWED
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Taylor Mac on gay history, 'Hamilton' and his epic 24-hour extravaganza at the Ace
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L.A. NOW

\$25,000 reward offered after brutal attack on street vendor
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Los Alamitos wants no part of California's "sanctuary state" laws
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