

August 14, 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.

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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>

Saturday, August 25, 2018

2:00 PM

Books & Conversations

Author Discussion—Nisei Naysayer: The Memoir of Militant Japanese American Journalist Jimmie Omura by James Matsumoto Omura; edited by Arthur A. Hansen  
The late journalist James “Jimmie” Omura was among the fiercest opponents of the mass incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II. In his sharply written columns, Omura called out leaders in the Nikkei community for what he saw as their complicity with the US government’s unjust and unconstitutional policies. Among the first Nikkei to seek governmental redress and reparations for wartime violations of civil liberties and human rights, Omura paid dearly for his bravery; he was shunned by the Nikkei community and excluded from the standard narrative of Japanese American wartime incarceration until later in life.

In this vividly written memoir, scheduled for release on August 28, Omura provides an account of his early years and attempts to correct the “cockeyed history to which Japanese America has been exposed.” The book is edited and includes an introduction by historian Arthur A. Hansen, who will discuss the book and his friendship with Omura, and features contributions from activists and writers Frank Chin, Yosh Kuromiya, and Frank Abe.

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

[janm.org](http://janm.org) home

Japanese American National Museum

100 North Central Avenue, Los Angeles California 90012

phone: (213) 625-0414

Don't Believe the Hype: LA Asian Americans in Hip Hop  
Opens May 18, 2018

***Don't Believe the Hype: LA Asian Americans in Hip Hop*** looks at hip hop in the greater Los Angeles region as a site of resistance, refuge, and reinvention for today's Asian American communities.

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



NOT AN OSTRICH: AND OTHER IMAGES FROM AMERICA'S LIBRARY[Library of Congress]

Experience vivid portrayals of America across time

APR 21, 2018 - SEP 09, 2018

Wed, Fri, Sat, Sun:

11AM – 6PM

Thurs: 11AM – 5PM

Mon – Tue: Closed

Free Admission

Annenberg Space for Photography

2000 Avenue of the Stars

Los Angeles, CA 90067

<https://www.annenbergphotospace.org/exhibits/not-an-ostrich/>

Bamboo

May 27 - September 9, 2018

*Bamboo* explores the evolution of Japanese bamboo basketry from a purely functional art form into complicated, distinctly Japanese sculptural forms of variable scale.

Craft and Folk Art Museum

5814 Wilshire Boulevard

Los Angeles, CA 90036

Tel 323.937.4230

[www.cafam.org](http://www.cafam.org)

[info@cafam.org](mailto:info@cafam.org)

July 28 - September 11, 2018 -- Do The Right Thing: Comfort Women Resist

Glendale Library, Arts and Culture and Korean-Glendale Sister City Association present  
Do the Right Thing: Comfort Women Resist

An exhibit exploring WWII Asian Comfort Women narratives of survival and resistance to denial.

- Opening Reception: Saturday, July 28, 5:00 p.m.
- Contemporary artists explore narratives of survival of WWII Asian sex slaves and resistance to the denial of their histories.

ReflectSpace Gallery

Glendale Downtown Central Library

22 E. Harvard St., Glendale, CA 91205

818-548-2021      FAX 818-548-7225

Monday - Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. (Children's Room closes at 8:00 p.m.)

Friday, Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

<https://www.glendaleca.gov/Home/Components/Calendar/Event/38278/125>

**April 28–October 21, 2018 | 2018年4月28日～10月21日**

Little Tokyo transforms into an outdoor art exhibition with 11 artworks displayed on windows across our historic, 134-year-old Japanese American neighborhood.

<http://sustainablelittletokyo.org/pages/windows>

October 2018 Chinatown Los Angeles Mid-Autumn Moon Festival 2018

STUDIO GHIBLI FEST

My Neighbor Totoro September 30, October 1, 3

Spirited Away October 28, 29, 30

Castle in the Sky November 18, 19, 20

7PM, check your local theaters

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This weekend (give or take a little)

August 19 Nisei Week Ondo

1st Street

Little Tokyo, 4 pm

78TH ANNUAL NISEI WEEK JAPANESE FESTIVAL

AUGUST 11 - 19, 2018

JACCC celebrates the Nisei Week Japanese Festival with cultural exhibitions, entertainment, and activities throughout the two weekends. View Japanese prefectural

displays as well as artisans skilled in ikebana, bonsai, Japanese dolls, calligraphy, tea ceremony and more.

Check out the schedules below for events taking place at JACCC in the Center Building and on the Plaza.

Visit the [Nisei Week website](#) for the full festival schedule.

#### JACCC CENTER BUILDING SCHEDULE

AUGUST 18–19

10 AM–5 PM

Bonsai Exhibit (Nampu-Kai)

George J. Doizaki Gallery

Tea Ceremony: Ogasawara Sencha School

Tea Room

Japanese Calligraphy (Beikoku Shodo Kenkyu-kai)

Garden Room A

Kimekomi Japanese Dolls (Hirofumi-Kai)

Garden Room B

Kumamoto Prefecture

Garden Room C

#### JACCC PLAZA SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

More TBA

Day-Lee Foods World Gyoza Eating Competition

JACCC Plaza Stage

2 PM–4 PM

Learn more [here](#).

Shorinji Kempo

JACCC Plaza Stage

4 PM–5 PM

Beer Garden

JACCC Plaza

11 AM–6 PM

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

TAIKO GATHERING

JACCC PLAZA STAGE

Kodama Taiko - Pasadena, CA

11 AM

Yujou Taiko - So. San Gabriel, CA

11:30 AM

Togen Daiko - Oxnard Buddhist Temple

12 PM

LA Taiko Ichiza - Little Tokyo

12:30 PM

Makoto Taiko - Pasadena, CA

1 PM

Koshin Taiko - Venice Japanese Community Center

1:30 PM

Taiko Effect - Torrance, CA  
2 PM  
Crespi Taiko - Crespi High School, Encino, CA  
2:30 PM  
Yoki Daiko - Tenrikyo Mission, Boyle Heights, CA  
3 PM  
PROTA - Los Angeles, CA  
3:30 PM  
Kishin Daiko - ESGVJCC  
4 PM  
Senryu Taiko - UC Riverside  
4:30 PM  
Beer Garden  
JACCC Plaza  
11 AM–6 PM

Saturday, August 18, 2018 Family Festivals

Natsumatsuri Family Festival

FREE ALL DAY

11:00 AM—5:00 PM

Please note new date!

Join us for our annual summer celebration featuring Japanese and Japanese American performances, crafts, and activities.

Performances by TAIKOPROJECT, San Fernando Valley Taiko, The Grateful 4, Kaulana Ka Hale Kula O Na Pua O Ka Aina, and Asia America Youth Symphony Jazz Quartet

Free souvenir photos at our summer-themed photo booth, face painting, and bubble fun

Free samples of *saataa andaagii* (Okinawan deep-fried pastries)

Traditional Japanese tea ceremony

Basic taiko drumming and *bon odori* dance lessons

Fun crafts including origami and the ever-popular Natsumatsuri paper hats

JANM Members Only reserved seating and express lines

Free admission all day to see [hapa.me – 15 years of the hapa project](#) and Common Ground: The Heart of Community.

...and more!

Visit [janm.org/natsumatsuri2018](http://janm.org/natsumatsuri2018) for complete schedule of performances, activities, and crafts.

Supported by Los Angeles County Arts Commission and Department of Cultural Affairs, City of Los Angeles.

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Where I went the past week:

Gardena Obon

Tanabata Festival

Nisei Week Parade

Grave of the Fireflies

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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](http://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](http://fullertonarboretum.org/museum_nikkei.php)

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Articles from the LA Times:

Aug. 13, 2018, 4:26 p.m.

• CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE

By PATRICK MCGREEVY

California lawmakers support \$321,000 settlement for discrimination lawsuit

<http://www.latimes.com/politics/essential/la-pol-ca-essential-politics-may-2018-california-lawmakers-support-321-000-1534202509-htmstory.html>

In Salinas, the Matsui family is known for its orchids and its life-changing generosity  
By STEVE LOPEZ

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| SALINAS, CALIF.

<http://www.latimes.com/local/california/la-me-lopez-matsui-salinas-20180801-story.html>