

November 27, 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>

Don't Believe the Hype: LA Asian Americans in Hip Hop

Don't Believe the Hype: LA Asian Americans in Hip Hop examines the genre's influence of resistance, refuge, and reinvention for Asian American living in the greater Los Angeles region through art. The gallery includes site-specific immersive spaces created by graffiti artists and muralists. Paintings, photographs, audio/video installations and historical ephemera are also on display.

Extended through December 9, 2018

<http://camla.org/current-exhibits/#dont-believe-the-hype-la-asian-americans-in-hip-hop>

Chinese American Museum, Los Angeles

Gambatte! Legacy of an Enduring Spirit

November 17, 2018 - April 28, 2019

Gambatte! Legacy of an Enduring Spirit features modern and historical photographs documenting the stories of Japanese Americans who were forcibly incarcerated during World War II. Large-format contemporary photos taken by Pulitzer Prize-winning photojournalist Paul Kitagaki Jr. are displayed next to images shot 75 years ago by such noted photographers as Dorothea Lange, Ansel Adams, and others; each pairing features the same individuals or their direct descendants as the subject matter. Inspired by the Japanese concept of *gambatte*—to triumph over adversity—the exhibition chronicles the strength and legacy of a generation of Japanese Americans who persevered over unimaginable hardship.

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

Japanese American National Museum

100 North Central Avenue, Los Angeles California 90012

phone: (213) 625-0414

Saturday, December 1, 2018

2:00 PM—4:30 PM

Partnerships & Collaborations

The Words We Hold

FREE

Stories of World War II, hailing from both sides of the Pacific, paint a picture of how Japanese and Japanese American ancestors experienced everyday life during those treacherous times.

Yonsei Nicole Cherry and Kristen Hayashi, and shin-Nikkei Ayumi Nagata and Natsumi Shibata will share personal family stories passed down through generations. In a discussion moderated by Diana Tsuchida, the panelists will explore the ideas of missing home and family, the fear of the unknown, the commonality of not talking about the war experience, and what it was like uncovering family histories.

This program is free, but RSVPs are recommended

Presented with Go For Broke National Education Center (GFBNEC).

In the Tateuchi Democracy Forum

<http://www.janm.org/events/2018/12/>

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Free Second Sunday: Traditional Clothing

Sunday, December 9th, 2018 from 11:00 am

Join us as we explore the role of clothing throughout history and learn about the beautiful garments of Asian culture! Textile experts explain the history of traditional garments from different countries and demonstrate the proper context and wearing of hanbok, kimono, and sari. Enjoy artmaking activities, storytime for kids, and docent tours.

Free admission all day.

Cost: Free

<https://pacificasiamuseum.usc.edu/calendar/details/?event-id=1319707>

PACIFIC ASIA MUSEUM

46 North Los Robles Avenue

Pasadena, California 91101

A LITTLE TOKYO CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 15, 2018 | SAT 3PM

ARATANI THEATRE

Come and enjoy holiday music, dancing, laughter and a little Xmas shopping at the return of this holiday event in Little Tokyo. Don't miss all the talented performers and community celebrities performing on stage and selling their crafts at the Holiday Gift Boutique (proceeds to benefits programs at the JACCC).

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

Film Screenings at Faith United Methodist Church, 2115 W. 182nd St., Torrance.
Bring your own dinner. Free admission and popcorn. Short reflection after screening.
For more information, call (310) 217-7000 or visit www.faithsouthbay.org.
Jan. 20, 2019 Hayao Miyazaki's "My Neighbor Totoro."
[from Rafu Shimpo]

This Weekend

Thursday, November 29, 2018

7:30 PM

Partnerships & Collaborations

ZÓCALO—What Does the Life of Frederick Douglass Tell Us About America?

A Smithsonian/ASU "What It Means to Be American" Event at JANM's National Center for the Preservation of Democracy

Moderated by Baratunde Thurston, cultural critic, comedian, and author of *How to Be Black*

American icon Frederick Douglass died in 1895, but he still makes the news. Indeed, he represents an increasingly rare sort of hero—one whose story is invoked across the political spectrum. Perhaps that's because his life was so large, grand, and complex. He was among the most photographed and well-traveled people of the 19th century and had so many varied roles—radical and traditionalist, diplomat and revolutionary, author and subject—that he contains multitudes.

RSVP

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

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KANPAI! JAPANESE SAKE TASTING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29

6:30–8:30 PM

\$55 JACCC MEMBER | \$60 GENERAL

JACCC GARDEN ROOM

Put your taste buds to the test at Mutual Trading & Sake School of America's Sake workshop. This workshop will cover the history and brewing processes that helped create modern day sake before moving on to guided Sake tastings. Along with sake tasting, enjoy small bite pairings by Sake Dojo LA.

244 SOUTH SAN PEDRO STREET
(BETWEEN 2ND AND 3RD STREETS)

LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

(213) 628-2725

Sunday, November 25, 2018

1:00 PM

Special Events

Museum Store Sunday—*Ishiro Honda* Book Signing

November 25 is the second annual Museum Store Sunday! We join over 700 museum stores from all fifty states, ten countries, and three continents to provide a special shopping experience.

Author Steve Ryfle will be at JANM to sign copies of his book *Ishiro Honda: A Life in Film, From Godzilla to Kurosawa*. Join us for some *kaiju*-themed refreshments!

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Where I went the past week:

Thanksgiving

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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/>

USC Pacifica Asia Museum <https://pacificasiamuseum.usc.edu/>

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

www.golittletokyo.com

Articles from the LA Times and CNN:

Whether home is a van, a motel or a garage, L.A.'s suburban poor children learn to survive

By STEVE LOPEZ

NOV 27, 2018 | 5:00 AM

<https://www.latimes.com/local/california/la-me-california-poverty-suburbs-homeless-part3-20181127-htmllstory.html>

Arts

Japan's samurai swordsmiths cling to a centuries-old craft

Updated 16th October 2018

<https://edition.cnn.com/style/article/fusahiro-shimajima-samurai-swordsmith/index.html>

In the Trump era, a lighter shade of Latino can make life easier

By BRITTNY MEJIA

NOV 23, 2018 | 4:00 AM

<https://www.latimes.com/local/california/la-me-In-latino-racism-20181123-story.html>