

July 17, 2019 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 2000-2018 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>

'Unfinished Proof Ninomiya' Chronicles Three Generations of Japanese Americans in Los Angeles

University Art Gallery from May 8 to Sept 18, Monday-Thursday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and by appointment only. Admission is free.

<https://news.csudh.edu/unfinished-proof-ninomiya/>

Traveling Exhibition

Manga Hokusai Manga:

Approaching the Master's Compendium from the Perspective of Contemporary Comics
May 2 [Thu] - August 3 [Sat], 2019

Hours:

Mon-Fri: 10am - 7pm, Sat: Noon-5pm

Closed on Sundays & Holidays

(Memorial Day: May 27 & 28, Independence Day: July 4 - 6)

Venue:

The Japan Foundation, Los Angeles

(5700 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 100, Los Angeles, CA 90036)

Admission: **FREE**

About Exhibition:

In light of Japan's contemporary comics and their global proliferation, the 19th-century Hokusai Manga is attracting increasing interest. Fans worldwide tend to even regard this pictorial compendium by ukiyo-e artist Katsushika Hokusai as the origin of today's manga.

<https://www.jflalc.org/ac-exhibition-hokusai-manga>

February 7 – November 10, 2019 Lightscares: Re-envisioning the Shanshuihua
光之景: 山水畫的當代想像

Lightscares: Re-envisioning the Shanshuihua 光之景: 山水畫的當代想像 presents works from Nick Dong and Wu Chi-Tsung, two Taiwan-born contemporary artists. Re-imagining the philosophies of Chinese landscape paintings, the exhibition brings forward new media works and immersive light-based installations that are not often explored within this genre.

This exhibition is organized by the Chinese American Museum in partnership with the Ministry of Culture, Republic of China (Taiwan) and the Taiwan Academy in Los Angeles. Major support for this exhibition is provided by the Friends of the Chinese American Museum and El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument.

Share your photos and experience with us at **#lightscares**.

Chinese American Museum, Los Angeles

The Chinese American Museum is located in the red-bricked historic Garnier Building, located at El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument across from downtown Los Angeles' Union Station. Walk past the main plaza area, south of Olvera Street, to find the museum site.

<http://camla.org/lightscares-re-envisioning-the-shanshuihua/>

Tsuruya Kōkei: Modern Kabuki Prints Revised & Revisited

February 8, 2019 to July 14, 2019

Celebrating the 30th anniversary of this contemporary artist's first solo show—held at PAM in spring 1989—it displays 77 prints by this artist widely celebrated as one of Japan's leading contemporary print artists. The British Museum lauded Kōkei for producing Japan's "most notable Kabuki prints" in the post-war era.

PACIFIC ASIA MUSEUM

46 North Los Robles Avenue

Pasadena, California 91101

<https://pacificasiamuseum.usc.edu/exhibitions/upcoming/>

Saturday, July 27, 2019 Art, Culture & Identity

442 Graphic Novel Talk and Drawing Workshop with Rob Sato

FREE

2:00 PM—4:00 PM

Enjoy a talk between the authors of 442, a graphic novel by Koji Steven Sakai and Phinneas Kiyomura, who, along with artist Rob Sato, will discuss their collaboration process. Following the discussion, we invite you to participate in a drawing workshop for all skill levels; materials will be provided.

442 follows Hiro, a young man incarcerated at the Manzanar concentration camp during World War II who volunteers for the 442nd Regimental Combat Team (RCT) and joins the battle to rescue the "Lost Battalion." The 442nd RCT was a segregated unit of

Japanese Americans who became the most highly decorated military unit for their size and duration of service.

This program is free, but seating is limited. RSVPs are strongly recommended

Presented in partnership with Go For Broke National Education Center.

Available at the JANM Store.

Japanese American National Museum

100 North Central Avenue, Los Angeles California 90012

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

phone: 213.625.0414

July 27 -28 West Los Angeles Buddhist Temple Obon

Sat 4-10PM

Sun 3-9PM

2003 Corinth Avenue

Los Angeles, CA 90025

July 27-28 56 th Annual Cultural Festival and Ondo

The Southeast Japanese School & Community Center

14615 Gridley Rd

14615 Gridley Rd, Norwalk, CA 90650

Sat 3PM

Sun 2PM

<https://www.sejscc.org/assets/files/entertainment%20schedule%202019.pdf>

Aug 10-11 Gardena Buddhist Church Obon

3-10PM

Gardena Buddhist Church, 1517 W 166th St., Gardena, CA 90247

This Weekend:

July 20th, 2019 SRI LANKA DAY EXPO 2019

Saturday, 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Location:Centennial Square

100 Garfield Ave, Pasadena, CA, 91101

United States

Description:

One of the foundation's most significant events is "Sri Lanka Day". Every year the foundation works diligently to bring the sights, tastes, colors and general feel of Sri Lanka to spectators who gather in one location from all over California. It is an annual celebration and tribute to the culture and heritage of the Sri Lankan people.

<https://www.srilankafoundation.org/events/sri-lanka-day-expo-2019-2/>

July 18th, 2019 Performance@PAM: Guqin Master Jiazhen Zhao

Thursday, at 7:00 pm

Join us for a FREE evening concert showcasing the guqin, a seven-string zither that is one of China's most ancient instruments.

This concert will feature world-class guqin player Jiazhen Zhao. Master Zhao, a professor from Central Conservatory of China, has performed for audiences around the world including former President Barack Obama.

In 2008, China named Zhao as the official bearer of guqin music and culture.

Guest performers include Wei Qian and Congnong Li and her student ensemble.

Cost: Free

USC Pacific Asia Museum

46 North Los Robles Avenue

Pasadena, CA 91101

<https://pacificasiamuseum.usc.edu/calendar/details/?event-id=30476423435930>

Jul. 20, 2019 Chinese Music: Contemplative Intent: A Guqin Concert

Sat., 2:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Rothenberg Hall, The Huntington Library

\$10

Experience traditional Chinese music in an afternoon concert showcasing the *guqin*, a seven-string zither that is one of China's most ancient instruments. The performance features Jiazhen Zhao 趙家珍 of the Central Conservatory of Music in Beijing.

<https://www.huntington.org/events/chinese-music-contemplative-intent-guqin-concert>

Saturday, July 20, 2019

2:00 PM—4:00 PM

Partnerships & Collaborations

The Lives of Samurai Women of Kōchi and the Kunimitsu Family Scroll

There were as many samurai women as men during the Tokugawa era (1600–1868) in Japan, but their lives are often overlooked.

Professor Luke Roberts of University of California, Santa Barbara, will speak about his recent research into the lives of samurai women who hailed from Kōchi, an area in southwestern Japan. Following the lecture, Roberts will be joined by Hawaii State Senator Brian Taniguchi and his wife, Jan, to talk about this subject and artifacts from their family.

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

Presented in partnership with the Nikkei Genealogical Society.

In the Tateuchi Democracy Forum

Japanese American National Museum

100 North Central Avenue, Los Angeles California 90012

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

phone: 213.625.0414

July 20-21 Orange County Buddhist Church Obon Carnival

Sat 2-9PM

Sun 2-8:30PM
909 S Dale Ave, Anaheim, CA 92804

July 20-21 Venice Hongwanji Obon Festival
3-9PM
Venice Hongwanji Buddhist Temple, 12371 Braddock Drive,
Culver City, CA 90230

July 20-21 2019 Pasadena Buddhist Church Summer Obon Festival
Sat 4-9PM
Sun 4-8:30
Pasadena Buddhist Temple, 1993 Glen Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91103

Sunday, July 21, 2019
1:00 PM—3:00 PM

Books & Conversations

They Called Us Enemy—Conversation and Signing with George Takei
Join living legend George Takei for a brief conversation about the graphic novel *They Called Us Enemy*. The book, co-written by Justin Eisinger and Steven Scott and illustrated by Harmony Becker, is Takei's firsthand account of years behind barbed wire at an American concentration camp during World War II, the terrors of growing up under legalized racism, his mother's hard choices, his father's faith in democracy, and the way those experiences planted the seeds for his astonishing future. A brief Q&A with Takei follows the talk.

George Takei will sign a maximum of three items per person, flat items only. Please note that he is making this appearance in support of the Japanese American National Museum, so he will be signing only items purchased at the JANM Store. Photos with Takei are available only with store purchase.

Books will be available in mid-July. This event is included with [museum admission](#).

Limited seating available. RSVPs are recommended

In the Aratani Central Hall

Japanese American National Museum

100 North Central Avenue, Los Angeles California 90012

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

phone: 213.625.0414

July 21 Sozenji Obon Festival
1-7PM
3020 W. Beverly Blvd. in Montebello

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Where I went the past week:

July 13-14 Los Angeles Homba Hongwanji Obon Carnival
Sat 2-10PM
Sun 2-8:30PM
815 E 1st St, Los Angeles, CA 90012

July 13-14 Zenshuji Obon Carnival
Sat 11-8PM
Sun 11-8PM
Zenshuji Soto Mission, 123 S Hewitt St
Los Angeles, CA

July 13-14 2019 LOTUS FESTIVAL IN ECHO PARK
751 Echo Park Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90026
12:00pm noon to 9:00pm
<https://www.laparks.org/lotusfestival>

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 other sources:

Critic's Choice: 'Zulu Summer' follows an African royal in small town Montana
Prince Sboniso Zulu in the documentary "Zulu Summer." (Interesting Human Media)

By KENNETH TURAN FILM CRITIC

JULY 17, 2019 3:36 PM

<https://www.latimes.com/entertainment-arts/movies/story/2019-07-17/critics-choice-zulu-summer-montana>

Claiming to be Cherokee, contractors with white ancestry got \$300 million

By ADAM ELMAHREK, PAUL PRINGLE

JUNE 26, 2019 4 AM

<https://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-na-chokeee-minority-contracts-20190626-story.html>

Protesters target L.A. over skid row plan: 'We will not be gentrified'

The Catalina Swimwear Building, right, in downtown L.A. has been repurposed for restaurants, distribution, retail, industrial and creative office space.(Gary Coronado / Los Angeles Times)

By GALE HOLLAND

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<https://www.latimes.com/la-me-ln-skid-row-gentrify-20190715-story.html>

Hate charges filed against man who threatened to shoot minorities, prosecutors say
Richard Orcutt, 62, is charged with 10 felonies — eight counts of criminal threats and two counts of possession of an assault weapon.(San Luis Obispo County district attorney's office)

By ALEX WIGGLESWORTH STAFF WRITER

JULY 17, 2019 10:50 AM

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2019-07-17/hate-charges-minority-shooting-threats>