January 31, 2023

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 2000-2023 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 and resources:

Feb 18-19 Firecracker 5K/10K run L.A. Chinatown Firecracker | Run for health and fitness. (firecracker10k.org)

Photo Exhibition Dancing Extraordinaire: Japanese Entertainers under the Pandemic Date: November 30, 2022 - February 25, 2023 Hours: Mon-Sat 12:00pm-6:00pm Closed on Sundays Dec. 24, 26, 29, 30, 31, Jan. 2, 3 ,14, 16, Feb. 18, 20 Location: The Japan Foundation, Los Angeles Office (5700 Wilshire Blvd.,#100, Los Angeles, CA 90036) Admission: FREE Japan Foundation Los Angeles | (jflalc.org)

Sutra and Bible

A Community's Spiritual Journey to Survive From the confines of concentration camps and locales under martial law to the battlegrounds of Europe, Japanese Americans drew on their faith to survive... February 26 - November 27, 2022, Now through February 19, 2023 Japanese American National Museum 100 North Central Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90012 Sutra and Bible | Japanese American National Museum (janm.org) CAM's AAPI Heritage Month Programing!

Wakaji Matsumoto—An Artist in Two Worlds: Los Angeles and Hiroshima, 1917–1944

This online exhibition also features essays by Karen Matsumoto, Wakaji's granddaughter, and Dennis Reed, the curator of the exhibition

Wakaji Matsumoto | Japanese American National Museum (janm.org)

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Previously:

FREE ADMISSION THIS WEEK

JANUARY 25 – 29, 2023

The USC Pacific Asia Museum is pleased to announce that tomorrow, Wednesday January 25th through Sunday, January 29th, admission will be free. USC PAM is a space where our community can find solace and reflection during these difficult times.

<u>More information ></u> <u>https://pacificasiamuseum.usc.edu/</u>

After Modernism: Through the Lens of Wayne Thom October 14, 2022 – January 22, 2023 PACIFIC ASIA MUSEUM 46 North Los Robles Avenue Pasadena, California 91101

Current Exhibitions – USC Pacific Asia Museum

Till Jan. 15, 2023 LIFE CYCLES: A Bamboo Exploration with Tanabe Chikuunsai IV at JAPAN HOUSE Los Angeles.

Tanabe Chikuunsai IV | Live Bamboo Artist Talk & Demo | Events | JAPAN HOUSE (Los Angeles) (japanhousela.com)

Collective Resilience Exhibit Extended

Collective Resilience: Asian American Artists Honoring Our Community's Strength and Unity will now be on view until October 2nd, 2022! Plan your trip to check out these 7 incredible murals! The exhibition is an opportunity to celebrate community accomplishments and look forward to an optimistic future, together. Learn more about the exhibit here.

Collective Resillience – Chinese American Museum Los Angeles (camla.org)

<u>40th Annual Kotohajime: Hatsu-U (初卯)</u>

Jan 1, 2023 2:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Celebrate the new year with our 40th Annual Kotohajime: Hatsu-U (初卯)...

40th Annual Kotohajime: Hatsu-U (初卯) | JACCC

MAY 07, 2022 - JAN 08, 2023 BeHere / 1942 Visionary Japanese media artist Masaki Fujihata invites visitors to experience the photographic archive of the 1942 forced removal of Japanese Americans in new ways **BeHere / 1942 | Japanese American National Museum (janm.org)**

Designing with Disaster | Stories from Seven Regenerative Cities Friday, January 27 – Sunday, April 2, 2023 Mon – Sun | 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM (PST) JAPAN HOUSE Gallery | Level 2 Free https://www.japanhousela.com/exhibitions/designing-with-disaster-stories-from-sevenregenerative-cities/

This Weekend and more:

Free-for-All is BACK!

On Sunday, February 5, 2023, over thirty museums—presenting art, cultural heritage, film, natural history, and science—will open their doors and offer free general admission.

SOCAL MUSEUMS | Annual Free-For-All 2023

Feb 4 2023 SAN GABRIEL LUNAR NEW YEAR FESTIVAL 2023 Lunar New Year Festival | San Gabriel, CA - Official Website (sangabrielcity.com)

Previously:

Jan 28 Golden Dragon Lunar New Parade 1PM LOCATION Chinatown, Starting at Broadway and ending at Hill St In celebrating over one hundred years of tradition, the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Los Angeles presents the 124th Annual Golden Dragon Parade. With over thousands and thousands of individuals lining the parade route and thousands viewing the telecast each year, this colorful celebration along North Broadway in Chinatown has become the premiere cultural event in the Southern California Asian-American Community. Golden Dragon Lunar New Parade - Department of Cultural Affairs (culturela.org)

Jan 28-29 Lunar New Year Celebration at South Coast Botanic Garden

South Coast Botanic Garden's first-ever Lunar New Year Celebration will position the winter blooms and green foliage as a picture-perfect backdrop to usher in the year of the rabbit, complete with red lanterns and festive activities. Experiences throughout the weekend will include paper lantern decorating, game booths, a Chinese calligraphy artist demonstration and storytelling. Activities will begin at 10 a.m. both Saturday and Sunday

Lunar New Year Celebration at South Coast Botanic Garden - South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation

Seven Samurai Jan 28, 2023 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm Join us for a screening of Seven Samurai directed by Akira Kurosawa... When Sat, Jan 28, 2023 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm Where Aratani Theatre 244 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles, CA, 90012 Description Tickets: • Standard \$10

• Senior \$5 (must show ID upon check-in)

https://jaccc.org/events/seven-samurai/

Jan 30 Fred Korematsu Day of Civil Liberties and the Constitution What is Fred Korematsu Day? - Korematsu Institute

January 21-22, 2023 Lunar New Year Festival [second day of this event was cancelled.] Downtown Monterey Park

The City of Monterey Park, event producer World Journal and all our food vendors,

entertainers and merchants invite you to celebrate the arrival of the Year of the Rabbit in Monterey Park

Saturday, January 21, 2023, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

•Sunday, January 22, 2023, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

•Free admission

•Entertainment, food, family activities, and vendors

•Downtown Monterey Park on Garvey Avenue between Garfield and Alhambra Avenues.

Lunar New Year Festival | Monterey Park, CA - Official Website

LUNAR NEW YEAR@PAM [This event was cancelled]

Sunday, January 22 at 11:00am to 4:00pm

USC Pacific Asia Museum 46 N Los Robles Ave, Pasadena, California 91101

LUNAR NEW YEAR@PAM - USC Event Calendar

THURSDAY, JAN 12, 2023 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM <u>Art Break with Miye Sugino</u> <u>Art Break with Miye Sugino | Japanese American National Museum (janm.org)</u>

Jan 13 LA For All Healing Circles: Community Discussion with Dr. Wenli Jen **Join us with Dr. Jen to have open dialogues about racism in our society.** By Friends of the Chinese American Museum Date and time Fri, January 13, 2023, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM PST To reserve a spot: LA For All Healing Circles: Community Discussion with Dr. Wenli Jen Tickets, Fri, Jan 13, 2023 at 11:00 AM | Eventbrite

Gardena Valley JCI Oshogatsu Celebrate the new year with us as we come together for Oshogatsu! \$5 per participant. Details to be announced soon. DATE: Sat, Jan. 7th 2023 TIME: 2-3PM LOCATION: GVJCI 1964 W 162nd Street, Gardena, CA 90247 FEE: \$5 per participant For any questions, please contact Stephanie Mayeda (smayeda@jci-gardena.org) or call (310) 324-6611. register at https://gvjci.wufoo.com/forms/zzf7lg91nhkgce/

SUNDAY, JAN 08, 2023 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM <u>2023 Oshogatsu Family Festival—Year of the Rabbit</u> Register (required) at <u>2023 Oshogatsu Family Festival—Year of the Rabbit | Japanese American National Museum</u> (janm.org) The California Aiseki Kai presents its 33rd annual show featuring outstanding examples of suiseki and other viewing stones.

Practiced in Asia for centuries and gaining popularity around the world, the art of viewing stones invites contemplation of the subtle, often fanciful forms that have been shaped by nature, the elements, and time.

The show is open 10 a.m.–5 p.m., Dec. 26 through 30, in the Ahmanson Classroom in the Brody Botanical Center. Free with general admission to the Huntington.

https://huntington.org/event/viewing-stones-show? utm_source=The+Huntington&utm_campaign=03b6d4ef41-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_6_23_2022_9_28_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f36618 94cf-03b6d4ef41-229794662&goal=0_f3661894cf-03b6d4ef41-229794662&mc_cid=03b6d4ef41&mc_eid=85fe1fd7c1

See Korean Cultural Center at:

Performing Arts : Musical PECHKA (kccla.org)

They seem to have a lot of online programs now, so check out more of the website.

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Where I went the past weeks and may have heard of at the last minute

(and before, since webinars are often still available online):

I decided to check out the first South Coast Botanic Garden Festival on Saturday

Lunar New Year Festival (ikemi.info)

and the

last part of the Alhambra Lunar New Year Festival on Sunday.

Lunar New Year Festival (ikemi.info)

Couldn't fit in the Golden Dragon Parade.

Previously:

Watched Caltech webinar on tea:

Lunar New Year Webinar: "The Science of Tea Making"

https://www.caltech.edu/campus-life-events/calendar/lunar-new-year-webinar-the-science-oftea-making-1

The recorded webinar is now on Youtube at:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VPm6zFYiEc4

Visited the Western Museum of Flight where there is a compact but well done exhibit on women in aviation, including women of Asian descent.

On Youtube watched:

Come Out Fighting: The 761st - The Black WWII Battalion That Liberated Hitler's Camps (Fern Levitt)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yDI7zOONVn4

Moving story of America's black tankers, their liberation of concentration camps, and their fight for justice at home.

24th Annual Japanese New Year's Oshogatsu Festival Event - Little Tokyo (2 Locations - Jan 1st) 10AM-4PM Weller Court 123 Astronaut E S Onizuka St. Los Angeles, CA 90012 and Japanese Village Plaza 335 E 2nd St. https://www.japanese-city.com/calendar/events/index.php?eID=34933

I missed the opening ceremonies but caught part of the calligraphy demonstration, the minyo performance, and the aikido demonstration, before the rains came. Also went over to the JACCC to see the ikebana exhibit. I also got to see the Kotohajime video performances in displayed in the exhibit hall.

At the Huntington Gardens I checked out:

The California Aiseki Kai presents its 33rd annual show featuring outstanding examples of suiseki and other viewing stones.

Watched the multicultural LA County Holiday Celebration.

You can stream the recorded version at:

https://www.musiccenter.org/tickets-free-events/tmc-arts/l-a-county-holidaycelebration/

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added to our historic trails. Visit trails.camla.org for a self-guided tour of Chinatown.
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Use your mobile device along the path and explore the histories of the community.
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Korean Cultural Center http://www.kccla.org/
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Japanese American Community Cultural Center http://jaccc.org/
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USC Pacifica Asia Museum https://pacificasiamuseum.usc.edu/
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UCLA Asia Pacific Institute https://www.international.ucla.edu/asia/
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Cultural News http://www.culturalnews.com/
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Los Angeles Public Library p://www.lapl.org/events/
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Orange County Agricultural and Nikkei Heritage Museum http://fullertonarboretum.org/
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museum_nikkei.php

www.golittletokyo.com

Articles from the LA Times and other sources:

For some Asian Americans, fear is driving a spike in gun sales BY RYAN FONSECASTAFF WRITER JAN. 31, 2023 6:05 AM PT For some Asian Americans, fear is driving a spike in gun sales - Los Angeles Times (latimes.com)

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

After mass shooting, Alhambra celebrates Lunar New Year Festival and a hometown hero BY HAILEY BRANSON-POTTS, <u>ANH DO</u> JAN. 29, 2023 7:17 PM PT <u>Alhambra celebrates Lunar New Year Festival and honors hometown hero Brandon Tsay -Los Angeles Times (latimes.com)</u>

Newsletter: Essential California Week in Review: Dancing resumes at Monterey Park studio BY AMY HUBBARD, <u>LAURA BLASEY</u> JAN. 28, 2023 6:30 AM PT <u>Essential California Week in Review: Dancing resumes at Monterey Park studio - Los Angeles</u> <u>Times (latimes.com)</u>

Firing of an O.C. school superintendent sets the stage for a conservative agenda BY GABRIEL SAN ROMÁNSTAFF WRITER JAN. 27, 2023 5 AM PT <u>Superintendent firing roils Orange Unified School District - Los Angeles Times (latimes.com)</u>

Latino teens are deputized as health educators to sway the unvaccinated BY HEIDI DE MARCO KAISER HEALTH NEWS JAN. 27, 2023 5 AM PT Latino teens deputized as health educators to sway unvaccinated - Los Angeles Times (latimes.com)

Daughter of slain Monterey Park dance hall manager plans to carry on his legacy BY GRACE TOOHEYSTAFF WRITER JAN. 31, 2023 5:52 PM PT Daughter of slain Monterey Park dance hall leader hopes to reopen studio - Los Angeles <u>Times (latimes.com)</u>

Red envelopes and tragedy: A Monterey Park restaurant owner moves forward the only way she knows how BY DANIEL MILLER STAFF WRITERFOLLOW JAN. 27, 2023 5 AM PT <u>Monterey Park restaurant owner moves forward after shooting - Los Angeles Times</u> (latimes.com)

Vice President Kamala Harris visits growing memorial for Monterey Park shooting victims

BY JULIA WICK, JEONG PARK, SEEMA MEHTA, CHRISTIAN MARTINEZ, SUMMER LIN JAN. 25, 2023 UPDATED 8:58 PM PT Kamala Harris visits memorial for Monterey Park shooting victims - Los Angeles Times (latimes.com)