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## ***e-NEWSLETTER***

### **Chinese New Year at the Peabody Essex Museum**

Celebrate the Chinese Lunar New Year at the Peabody Essex Museum on Friday, Jan. 30 with a special screening of “Red Heroine,” one of the first silent Kung Fu films, with live musical accompaniment by Boston’s Devil Music Ensemble. On Saturday, Jan. 31, you can create oversized paper dragons and learn the zodiac calendar through a unique finger puppet workshop. Enjoy dramatic Lion Dances, stunning Fan Dance performances, and high energy Kung Fu demonstrations by Boston’s leading martial arts experts. Be sure to stop in for “Kung Fu Cinema” and see Jackie Chan’s dizzying acrobatic sequences and the Yuen Woo-Ping’s acclaimed martial arts choreography. All activities are free with museum admission. Details about these and other events can be found at [www.pem.org/events](http://www.pem.org/events).

### **Tufts Day of Remembrance program on baseball**

Tufts University will be hosting a Day of Remembrance program featuring Kerry Jo Nakagawa, baseball historian and author of “Through a Diamond: 100 Years of Japanese American Baseball.” The program entitled “American Pastime: Baseball Behind Barbed Wire” will be held on Thursday, February 19 from 5:30 to 7 pm on the Tufts campus, Pearson 104 (Talbot Avenue). Nakagawa founded the Nisei Baseball Research project (NBRP) in 1996 to preserve the history of Japanese American Baseball (web site: [www.niseibaseball.com](http://www.niseibaseball.com)). He was also an associate producer and starred in the 2007 film “American Pastime,” the story about baseball at the Topaz internment camp. After the program, there will be a dinner reception at the Asian American Center. For more information contact the Asian American Center at 617-627-3056 or email [asianamcenter@tufts](mailto:asianamcenter@tufts).

### **UConn offers Day of Remembrance 2009**

Robert T. Hayashi, winner of the 2007 National Council on Public History Book Award, will be the featured speaker at the Day of Remembrance program sponsored by several University of Connecticut departments including the Asian American Studies Institute, Storrs campus. The program will be held at the campus Student Union Ballroom on Thursday, Feb. 19 at 4 pm. The program is free and open to the public.

Hayashi’s book “Haunted by Waters: A Journey through Race and Place in the American West” takes us through the history of Idaho’s Nez Perce, Chinese, Shoshone, Mormon and Japanese American residents. His stories are taken from memoirs, oral interviews, poetry, legal cases, government documents, and the occasional road sign. Hayashi is currently Assistant Professor of English and American Studies at Amherst College. “Haunted by Waters” is his first book. More information is available at <http://asianamerican.uconn.edu/events.htm> .