



New England Chapter News *Japanese American Citizens League*

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Walter H. Kondo

We were saddened by the December 13 passing of Walter H. Kondo, a New England JACL Board member. He and his wife Anja were always most generous with their time and support of our chapter meetings and events. As a member of our Board, Walter's interest and enthusiasm were always assets to any project we undertook. He will be missed very much. For more about Walter, go to:

<http://www.browndhickey.com/obituary/Walter-H.-Kondo/Arlington/1150277>,

A Celebration of Life service for Walter will be held on Saturday, January 26th at 2 pm at the Harvard Epworth Church in Cambridge. JACL members and friends are invited to attend. The family has asked that in lieu of flowers, donations in Walter's name be made to the Harvard Square Churches Meals Program in care of Harvard Epworth Church, 1555 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02138.

Attention High School and College Students!

Here is a collection of scholarship and special program information that we've collected from a variety of sources and should be of interest to Asian American students.

2014 JACL National Scholarships

Applications are available for the 2013 JACL National Scholarship and Awards Program which is open to JACL members planning to attend an institution of higher education within the United States at the undergraduate or graduate school level in the Fall of 2013. Entering Freshman applicants must be high school seniors. Deadline for Freshman scholarships is March 1 and April 1 for other scholarship categories. For more information and application forms go to: <http://www.jacl.org/edu/scholar.htm>.

New scholarship for study in Japan

The newly created Meiji Gakuin University-JACL Scholarship offers a four-year Global and Trans-cultural Studies program to a JACL youth member who is a graduating high school senior. All classes are taught in English and lead to a bachelor's degree in International Studies. The scholarship will cover 70% of the college tuition with an additional grant available to cover the remaining 30% if the student meets the criteria for "Tuition Remission System for Privately Funded Full-time Foreign Students." For more information and application forms go to: <http://www.jacl.org/edu/MeijiGakuinUniversity.htm>.

APIASF Scholarships

The Asian Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund (APIASF) is accepting applications for its 2013-2014 Scholarship Program. Deadline for applications is Friday, January 11. For more information go to: www.apiasf.org. For APIASF links to other scholarships, go to: www.apiasf.org/scholarship_other.html.

OCA Scholarship Program

The Organization of Chinese Americans (OCA) is accepting applications for its 2013 Scholarship Program. Deadline is January 11. For more information and application forms go to: www.oceanational.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=185&Itemid=.

Gates Millennium Scholars

The Gates Millennium Scholars Program offers 1,000 good-through-graduation scholarships each year. Deadline for application is Wednesday, January 16. For information and to apply online, go to: www.gmsp.org.

JACL/OCA Collegiate Leadership Conference

Applicants are being sought for the 2013 JACL/OCA Collegiate Leadership Conference that will be held in Washington DC March 15 to 18, 2013. The program is open to Asian Pacific American freshmen, sophomores or juniors attending an accredited college or university on a full-time basis. The Conference is an intensive 3-day leadership development program that introduces students to the national policy-making arena. Participants will be briefed on legislative issues affecting the Asian Pacific American community they will examine the role Asian Pacific American civil rights organizations play in affecting public policy in the nation's capital. Deadline for application is January 25, 2013. For eligibility information and application forms go to: <http://www.jacl.org/youth/dcleadership.htm>.

White House internships

The White House is seeking applicants for its Summer 2013 internship program. Applicants must be U.S. citizens, 18 years of age on or before the first day of the internship, and must also meet other criteria. Applications are due January 27. For more information and application forms go to: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/about/internships/apply>.

Princeton Prize in Race Relations

High school students sought for Princeton Prize in Race Relations
Princeton University is seeking candidates high school students who have demonstrated a commitment to advance race relations to apply for its Princeton Prize in Race Relations. The Prize includes cash awards up to \$1,000 for particularly noteworthy work. They are looking for a high school student involved in an activity that is helping to improve race relations in the school or community. Deadline for application is January 31. For more information and application forms go to: www.princeton.edu/pprize.

EVENTS IN NEW ENGLAND

Sumie Kaneko CD Release Party

Wednesday, January 9, at 9 pm

Ryles Jazz Club, 212 Hampshire Street, Cambridge

Featuring Sumie Kaneko in vocals and on shamisen and koto. Also appearing are Shu Odamura, guitar; Michel Reis, piano; Evan Gregor, bass; Pablo Eluchans, drums, percussions. Special Guest is Kaoru Watanabe on the Fue and taiko. Tickets are \$10 and available by going to:

<http://ryles.interticket.com/arrivalorder.php?eid=2649&aid=4&vid=4>.

The Genki Spark Taiko workshop for beginners

Saturdays, Jan 12, Feb 9 & March 9, from 6 to 8 pm

Brookline Ballet School, 1431 Beacon Street, Brookline

An open workshop for beginners. No experience necessary. For more information email Karen@TheGenkiSpark.org or call 617-308-4900.

Oshogatsu Celebration

Sunday, January 13, 2013, from 3 to 6 pm

Boston Children's Museum, 308 Congress, Boston

An annual New Year's celebration sponsored by the Boston Children's Museum and the Japan Society. The event will feature a Sushi bento dinner, taiko drums, Lion Dances, kami shibai, mochi pounding, Japanese music and games and much more. Cost: \$35 for Japan Society members; \$50 for non-members. For more information and to register, go to: <http://www.japansocietyboston.org/>.

NAAAP Boston Annual Gala & Awards

Friday, January 18, at 7 pm

Villa Victoria Center for the Arts, 85 West Newton Street, Boston

The National Association of Asian American Professionals (NAAAP) Gala will include a cocktail hour, three-course dinner, awards ceremony and fun and interactive theater show. For more info and to reserve tickets:

www.naaapboston.org.

Films by Susumu Hani

January 26 to January 28

Harvard Film Archive, Carpenter Cntr for Visual Arts, 23 Quincy St, Cambridge

Films by Director Susumu Hani, one of the most prominent representatives of the 1960s Japanese New Wave movement. Info: http://hcl.harvard.edu/hfa/general_info.html/.

Sat, Jan 26, 7 pm *Naniwa*. Susumu Hani will attend in person.

Sun, Jan 27, 4 pm *Susumu Hani Documentaries*

7 pm *Morning Schedule*. Susumu Hani in person.

Mon, Jan 28, 7 pm *A Town Without Flies*. Susumu Hani in person.

Children Clasp Hands.

Lunar New Year at the PEM

Saturday, February 9 from 10 am to 4 pm

Peabody Essex Museum, 161 Essex Street, Salem

The Museum celebrates the Year of the Snake with exhibitions, drop-in art activities, Lion dances, drumming, folk dances, and storytelling. For schedule and details, go to:

http://www.pem.org/calendar/event/705-lunar_new_year.

EXHIBITS IN NEW ENGLAND

Grand Tales of the Loom: Four Master Weavers

through January 20, 2013

Fuller Craft Museum, 455 Oak Street, Brockton

Fuyuko Matsubara is among the four weavers featured in this exhibit. She joins Cyndy Barbone, Deborah Frazee Carlson and Bhakti Kiek in exhibiting narrative, symbolic or ethereal woven images. For more information call 508-588-6000 or go to:

<http://fullercraft.org/event/grand-tales-of-the-loom-four-master-weavers/>.

Cats to Crickets: Pets in Japan's Floating World

through February 18, 2013

Museum of Fine Arts Boston, 465 Huntington Avenue, Boston

Urban commoners in 18th and 19th Century Japan enjoyed a hedonistic lifestyle that included the pleasure of the companionship of pet animals. Formerly a prerogative of the nobility, pets were now available to newly affluent commoners as well. Cats and small dogs were especially favored, but monkeys, mice, fish, birds and even singing insects were also cherished. This exhibit is not just for animal lovers, but will also appeal to those interested in early modern Japanese popular culture and fine printmaking. For more information go to: <http://www.mfa.org/exhibitions/cats-crickets>.

Lethal Beauty: Samurai Weapons and Armor

February 2 to May 5, open daily except Tuesdays

Currier Museum, 150 Ash Street, Manchester, NH

The exhibit will feature 63 works by 30 master craftsmen from the 13th to 20th centuries including suits of armor, helmets, warrior hats, facemasks, long and short swords, daggers, rifles and more. The oldest sword dates from the 1200s and is so finely crafted, it has retained its lethal edge. Also showcased will be a pair of folding screens by a Kano school artist and a seven-piece set of sword fittings, both from the 1600s depicting battle scenes from the famous *Tale of the Heike*. For information go to:

<http://www.currier.org/upcomingexhibitions.aspx>, or phone 603-669-6144.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ELSEWHERE

Designing Nature: The Rinpa Aesthetic in Japan

through January 13, 2013

Metropolitan Museum of Art, 1000 Fifth Avenue, New York City

The exhibition features more than 100 works of art created in Japan by the Rinpa-school artists with more than 50 works from the Museum's own holdings and 45 loans from public and private collections. It includes many masters' renowned works in a variety of media – painting, textiles, lacquer ware and ceramics. For more information call 212-525-7710 or go to: <http://www.metmuseum.org/exhibitions/listings/2012/rinpa-aesthetic>.

Supernatural

February 9 to March 17

Japanese American National Museum

369 East 1st St., Los Angeles, CA

Traditions are an integral part of every community. Some of these come from superstitions that our ancestors carried with them. *Supernatural* features works by Edwin Ushiro, Timothy Teruo Watters and Audrey Kawasaki who have explored some of these otherworldly concepts, illustrating how traditional ideas have evolved and been adapted over time. For more information go to: <http://www.janm.org/exhibits/upcoming/>, or call 213-625-0414.

Yesterday's Farmer: Planting an American Dream

Japanese American Museum of San Jose

535 North 5th Street, San Jose, CA, phone 408-294-3138

This ongoing exhibit focuses on the early 1900s Japanese immigrant families and the farming techniques they used to produce high yield of flowers, fruits and vegetables. Learn about these techniques through a display of the farming equipment they used. Other exhibits: **Pioneers of San Jose Japantown; World War II: Assembly Centers and Internment Camps; 100th Infantry Battalion and 442nd Regimental Combat Team; World War II: Military Intelligence Service; Post World War II: Resettlement; Sports in the Japanese American Community, and more.** Museum hours: Thurs through Sun, 12 to 4 pm. For more information go to: www.jamsj.org/.

Secrets Revealed: The Presidio Project

present to Fall 2013 when major exhibit opens

Visitors Center, Presidio of San Francisco

105 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, CA

The exhibit reveals untold stories of Nisei internees, including military enlistees. Their stories are brought to life through an interactive kiosk that presents a preview of the more extensive exhibits coming to the new Military Intelligence Service (MIS) Historic Learning Center scheduled to open in Fall 2013. Visitors Center hours: Thursday-Sunday, 10 am to 4 pm. For more information go to:

<http://www.njahs.org/programs/viewdetails.php?id=317>.