April 4, 2017

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 2000-2015 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: <u>http://www.lapl.org</u>

April 15 GVJCI Day of Remembrance Art Exhibit: Visions of the Japanese American Incarceration 1942-2017 Sat, 10AM-4PM Nisei Veterans Memorial Hall Come join the GVJCI for our one day art exhibit showcasing the work of multiple artists depicting the Japanese American incarceration and Japanese American life. There will be an art demonstration, art raffle drawing, a spoken word performance, food and refreshments, and much more. The show is open to all artists and there is no fee to enter. Admission is free but donations are welcome. Please contact info@jci-gardena.org if you have any questions. 1964 W. 162nd St Gardena, CA 90247 http://www.jci-gardena.org/upcoming-events.html

The Indian Roots of Global Buddhism Please save the date! Saturday, April 29, 2017 Time to be announced

http://www.international.ucla.edu/asia/event/12351

Thursday, April 20, 2017

6:30 PM—7:30 PM

Partnerships & Collaborations

Moving Day program presented by Visual Communications

Each night through August 11, from sunset to midnight, *Moving Day* presents outdoor projections of Civilian Exclusion Order posters, which were issued during World War II to inform persons of Japanese ancestry of their impending forced removal and incarceration. The date of each projection will coincide with the original issue date of the order being projected. Projections take place on the façade of the museum's Historic Building, the site of Los Angeles' first Buddhist temple and a pickup point for Japanese Americans bound for concentration camps during World War II.

During the run of *Moving Day*, JANM and several community partners will present a series of dialogues and events grappling with the legacy of the WWII incarceration of Japanese Americans. This program will be presented by Visual Communications. Please check back for details.

For a complete schedule of *Moving Day* programs, visit janm.org/instructions-to-all/ movingday.

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In conjunction with the exhibition <u>Instructions to All Persons: Reflections on Executive</u> Order 9066

Japanese American National Museum

100 North Central Avenue, Los Angeles California 90012

phone: (213) 625-0414

http://www.janm.org

Documenting China: An Afternoon with Filmmaker Fan Jian Film Screening and Discussion with Director FAN Jian Thursday, May 04, 2017 1:30 PM - 3:45 PM Melnitz Hall 1422 - Darren Star Screening Room 1:30 Screening of STILL TOMORROW 3:00 Fan Jian in Dialogue with Michael Berry (UCLA, Asian Languages & Cultures) STILL TOMORROW Directed by FAN Jian **A YOUKU Production** 88mins / HD / COLOR / CHINA A woman farmer in rural China rises to fame in the most unlikely fashion- through poetry. Her words are inspiring. but her own life reveals myriad challenges and despair. Can she rise through it all to find balance and true happiness? Synopsis

A village woman, despite not having finished her high school education, has become China's most famous poet in 2015. Her book of poetry has become the most widely distributed and sold poetry book in China for the past 20 years. http://www.international.ucla.edu/asia/event/12522

The Place of Origin: Central Asia in Indo-Persian Poetry Central Asia in Transition Lecture by Sunil Sharma, Boston University Tuesday, May 09, 2017 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM 10383 Bunche Hall UCLA http://www.international.ucla.edu/asia/event/12318

CURRENT EXHIBITIONS

SPECIAL DISPLAY

Only the Oaks Remain: The Story of Tuna Canyon Detention Station December 10, 2016 – April 9, 2017

The true stories of those targeted as dangerous enemy aliens and imprisoned in the Tuna Canyon Detention Station, located in the Tujunga neighborhood of Los Angeles, during WWII told through rare photographs, letters, and diaries that bring the experiences of imprisoned Japanese, German, and Italian immigrants and Japanese

Peruvians to life.

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SACRED REALMS: TEMPLE MURALS BY SHASHI DHOJ TULACHAN FROM THE GAYLE AND EDWARD P. ROSKI COLLECTION Ongoing ANCIENT ARTS OF CHINA: A 5000 YEAR LEGACY Ongoing Bowers Museum 2002 North Main Street, Santa Ana, CA 92706 · 714.567.3600 http://www.bowers.org/index.php/exhibitions/current-exhibitions

Jan 19-June 11, 2017 *Roots: Asian American Movements in Los Angeles 1968-80s* Who is "Asian American"? How did we come into this shifting and expansive idea? Contrary to popular perception, it is an identity defined out of protest. Starting in the 1960s, a group of young activists shaped "Asian America" through a long decade of fighting displacement, serving their communities, agitating for revolution, and analyzing the intersections of gender, race, and class. From Little Tokyo to Chinatown to Historic Filipinotown to the West Side, in solidarity with Latino, Black, feminist, and international struggles, Los Angeles saw the rise of vibrant artistic and political movements. Chinese American Museum 425 N. Los Angeles Street Los Angeles, CA 90012 (The cross street is Arcadia) http://camla.org/upcoming-exhibits/

THE FIRST KARAOKE: ENKA!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26 - SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2017

OPENING RECEPTION FEBRUARY 26, 1 - 3 P.M.

Bruce Yonemoto's new body of work, a multi-channel media installation refreshes the original political content of Enka songs - traditional-style Japanese popular ballads - by enlisting the help of artists to write contemporary lyrics to recently popular Enka melodies. In addition to Yonemoto's installation, an installation of vintage Enka album covers will be on display. Artists participating include Kaz Oshiro, Koki Tanaka, Taro Hattori, among others. Enka! is made possible in part by a grant from the Pasadena Art Alliance.

Learn more about Bruce Yonemoto's work <u>here</u>. 244 SOUTH SAN PEDRO STREET (BETWEEN 2ND AND 3RD STREETS) LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 (213) 628-2725 <u>http://www.jaccc.org/visualandculturalarts</u>

Executive Order 9066: The 75th Anniversary January 31, 2017 to May 31, 2017

Library Exhibit Gallery

A large group of children are photographed outside of the Palos Verdes Language School and Portuguese Bend Community Center. From <u>CSU Dominguez Hills Digital</u> <u>Collections</u> as part of the California State University Japanese American Digitization Project.

Executive Order 9066, signed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt on February 19, 1942, resulted in the forced removal of Japanese Americans living on the West Coast of the United States, most of whom were US citizens. Americans of Japanese descent were ultimately incarcerated in ten camps around the US administered by the War Relocation Authority (WRA). On December 18, 1944 the US Supreme Court ruled that loyal American citizens could not be detained without cause regardless of their cultural descent, and on January 2, 1945 the order was rescinded. As inmates were released, they were given \$25 and a train ticket home. The Tule Lake Segregation Center, the last camp in operation, shut down on March 20, 1946.

On display in the center of the gallery are newspapers produced by inmates in the Gila River and Poston camps in Arizona, the Jerome and Rohwer camps in Arkansas, the Manzanar and Tule Lake camps in California, the Granada camp in Colorado, the Topaz camp in Utah, and the Heart Mountain camp in Wyoming. They provide first-hand information about the lives of the incarcerated via articles about mess halls and other communal spaces, school events, baseball leagues, dances, and more. Broader issues of interest in every camp are also prevalent, including the loyalty questionnaire used by the WRA to determine the "Americanness" of incarcerated adults, the subsequent segregation at Tule Lake of those deemed "disloyal" via the questionnaire, the status of Korematsu v. US, and information about Japanese Americans serving in the military overseas.

Oviatt Library California State University, Northridge 18111 Nordhoff Street Northridge, CA 91330 Phone: 818-677-2285 http://library.csun.edu/About/VisitorInformation

May 30 - June 25, 2017 Hold These Truths

Seventy-five years ago, an executive order called for American citizens to be ripped from their homes and forced into internment camps, detained solely based on their heritage and ancestry. Amid the chaos, one young student stands up for what he passionately believes is right in the face of a country deeply divided between national security and freedom for all. Based on the true story of Gordon Hirabayashi, *Hold These Truths* is a shockingly relevant cautionary tale of the injustices perpetrated when nationalism, fear and hysteria collide.

Tickets On Sale April 3!

Pasadena Playhouse

39 S. El Molino Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101 map (626) 356-7529 http://www.pasadenaplayhouse.org/htt

June 27- May 2017 USC Pacific Asia Museum will undergo a seismic retrofitting to strengthen its foundation, as well as add approximately 700 square-feet of gallery space.

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This weekend (give or take a little)

Saturday, April 8, 2017 11:00 AM—4:00 PM Family Festivals JANM Free Family Days: Celebrate Japanese American History FREE ALL DAY Learn about Japanese American history and actor/activist George Takei with crafts and activities inspired by our exhibitions, *Instructions to All Persons: Reflections on Executive Order 9066* and *New Frontiers: The Many Worlds of George Takei*. Presented in collaboration with <u>Kizuna</u>.

Saturday, April 8, 2017 12:30 PM Art, Culture & Identity Performance—Residence Elsewhere In conjunction with the exhibition Instructions to All Persons, East West Players Theatre for Youth has developed a special play exploring the effects of the World War II incarceration. Free with museum admission. No RSVP necessary. Space is limited; first come, first served. .description In conjunction with the exhibition Instructions to All Persons: Reflections on Executive Order 9066 Japanese American National Museum 100 North Central Avenue, Los Angeles California 90012 phone: (213) 625-0414 http://www.janm.org ----- !

Where I went last weekend (or the weekend before):

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Resources: LACMA calendar: http://www.lacma.org/events/Calendar.aspx

UCLA Asia Institute calendar: <u>http://www.international.ucla.edu/asia/events/index.asp?action=monthview</u>

Japanese American National Museum http://www.janm.org/events/

Chinese American Museum http://camla.org/events/calendar.htm

Korean Cultural Center http://www.kccla.org/

Japanese American Community Cultural Center http://jaccc.org/ Pacifica Asian Museum http://www.pacificasiamuseum.org/ calendar/whatsnew.htm Cultural News ttp://www.culturalnews.com/

Los Angeles Public Library p://www.lapl.org/events/

Orange County Agricultural and Nikkei Heritage Museum http://fullertonarboretum.org/ museum_nikkei.php

Articles from the LA Times:

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<u>BUSINESS</u> April 2 <u>As other malls die off, this one in Arcadia focuses on Asian shoppers</u> Shan Li

<u>MOVIES</u> April 1 <u>Asian American media group condemns Scarlett Johansson in 'Ghost in the Shell'</u> <u>controversy</u> Gerrick D. Kennedy

<u>ASIA</u> March 26 For mainland Chinese students, Taiwan's universities are 'like paradise.' But there's a catch Ralph Jennings

ENTERTAINMENT April 4 Today in Entertainment: 'Scarlett & Emma & Tilda & Matt' whitewashing T-shirt goes viral; Mike Epps sorry for kangaroo gag

<u>NEWSLETTERS/POLITICS</u> April 3 <u>Mimi Lang: Martin Luther King's Vietnam speech relevant after 50 years</u>

A<u>SIA</u> April 3 In China, a jailed killer became an online folk hero — and that could lead to his release Jonathan Kaiman

<u>NATION</u> April 2 <u>Born in America, Sriracha sauce tries its luck in Vietnam</u> Jessica Meyers

<u>CRUISES</u> April 2 <u>Travel ban prompts training sessions for Utah refugees</u> HALLIE GOLDEN

NATION April 2

<u>US House race offers insight into shifting Democratic Party</u> MICHAEL R. BLOOD

MOVIES March 31

<u>'Ghost in the Shell' cinematographer says the casting controversy is 'quite weird'</u> Steven Zeitchik

BUSINESS March 31 Will Trump's NAFTA revamp reflect all that tough talk on trade deals? Not exactly Don Lee

<u>ENTERTAINMENT</u> March 30 Why 'Ghost in the Shell' is far from the last Hollywood film you'll see based on Japanese manga Chris Lee

<u>SPORTS</u> March 30 <u>NHL looks at China as a 'very long-term relationship'</u> STEPHEN WHYNO

<u>MOVIES</u> March 30 <u>The ravishing sci-fi noir 'Ghost in the Shell' is fascinating, and not without its glitches</u> Justin Chang

<u>CRUISES</u> march 30 <u>Paris exhibition explores racism amid tensions in France</u> THOMAS ADAMSON

<u>CAROLINA A. MIRANDA</u> March 29 <u>Cheech Marin, a singular Renaissance man, talks about comedy, pottery, pot, art and his new memoir</u> Carolina A. Miranda

L.A. NOW March 31 Supreme Court declines case over Glendale's controversial 'comfort women' statue Andy Nguyen

<u>AUTOS</u> March 31 <u>The art of lowriding, born in L.A.'s Eastside, gets supercharged</u> Charles Fleming