

Seton Hall University Japan Week 2008

Opportunity in the Midst of Crisis: A New Path to an International Community

Welcome to Japan Week 2008: Opportunity in the Midst of Crisis: A New Path to an International Community. As we set our course for the future in the new millennium, Japan Week 2008 gives us the opportunity to build a bridge between cultures that enables us to share our knowledge and experiences of Japan through lectures, symposia, workshops, events and awards. Japan Week 2008 demonstrates an ongoing commitment to bringing together people of different races, religions, cultures, and ethnic backgrounds. In addition, Japan Week 2008 provides an atmosphere conducive to a greater understanding of Japan and its people. It is our hope that participants of these events will become leaders in a flourishing dialogue between Japan and the United States and work towards building a more peaceful global community.

Schedule of Events

March 24 - April 18

University Galley, Walsh Library

The Hiroshima and Nagasaki: A-bomb Photo Poster Exhibit

In August 1945, Hiroshima and Nagasaki each were completely destroyed by a single nuclear weapon, bringing about the loss of about 200,000 precious lives. The Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum has developed a collection of posters concerning the conditions of the A-bomb damage including the A-bomb mushroom clouds and the A-bomb dome with the intent of passing the reality of the A-bombings on to as many people as possible and to heighten the awareness of peace. Reception on Wednesday, April 9 at 5:30-6:30 p.m. Sponsored by Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum, Organized by Michael Mitchell, New Providence High School, and Jeanne Brasile, Seton Hall University. For more info: (http://www.pcf.city.hiroshima.jp/top_e.html).

April 7 (Monday)

Registration: 11:30 a.m. – Noon,

Contest and Awards Ceremony, 12 noon- 12:30 p.m

The Ninth Annual Kite Contest



Contestants should bring a handmade kite to the University Green. Materials for the kite contest will be available in Fahy Hall Room 210 between March 12 and April 3. Kites are judged on flying height, size and creativity. Hosted by Seton Hall University's Asian Studies Club and Japanese Language Classes (Rain date: Tuesday, April 15).

April 8 (Tuesday)
11:30 –12:45 p.m. Beck Rooms, Walsh Library
Japanese Calligraphy Workshop



Are you interested in the culture and art of Japan? Then come try your hand at *shodo*, the traditional Japanese calligraphy created with brush and ink. All materials will be provided. Hosted by Hiroshi Kojima, Ayumi Edgar, and Yurie Kojima, exchange students from Sophia University.

2:30-3:45 p.m. Beck Room, Walsh Library
Haiku Workshop 2008: Express Yourself in 5-7-5

Come and make your Haiku, the shortest form of poem in the world, which will reflect your inner spirit. Your Haiku will be posted on the Japan Week website. Hosted by Hiroko Ogino and Shigeru Osuka, Japanese Program, Seton Hall University.

6 - 8:30 p.m., Beck Rooms, Walsh Library
Japanese Movie: Hula Girl

A young woman tries to help a fading industrial town in Northern Japan by starting a Hawaiian resort that rises more than a few eyebrows. A witty and satirical film. Hosted by Shigeru Osuka, Director of Japanese Program, Seton Hall University.

April 9 (Wednesday)
2:30 – 3:45 p.m. Duffy Hall 60
How Tofu is Made

Ever wonder just how Tofu progressed from its beginnings as soybeans to its smooth final cake form? The presentation will detail the production of Tofu as well as explain the differences among all those packages of Tofu in deli department of your local supermarkets. Come to learn more and taste this exciting and delicious product! Kazumi Kuniyasu, General Manager, House Foods America Corp (<http://www.house-foods.com>).

April 10 (Thursday)
11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Arts & Sciences Hall, Room 102
JAPAN Exchange Program



University.

Michael Wells and Bryan Walsh, participants of semester in Japan, Dipinjeet Sehdev and Martina Mojica, participants of SHU-Japan Exchange Program Summer 2007, and Devon Cahill participant of JET Program share their experiences in Japan. Students interested in studying in Japan and teaching English in Japan are encouraged to attend. Hosted by Maria José Soares, Director, Office of International Programs, Seton Hall

2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. (Duffy Hall Room 60)
Kyudo: Zen in the Art of Japanese Archery

Kyudo practices both mind and body, drawing upon a thousand years of Zen and Shinto influence. Dressed in traditional clothing, the archers will perform the ritualistic form leading up to the release of their arrows into the target. A short discussion on the history and

tradition of Kyudo to follow. Hosted by Chris Keenan and Fumiko Takada, NY/NJ Kyudo Club and Asian Studies Club.

April 11 (Friday)
9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. (Beck Rooms, Walsh Library)
The Eleventh Annual Graduate Student/School Teacher
Symposium on Japanese Studies

Keynote Speech by Isao Tsujimoto, Director General of Japan Foundations New York Office (<http://www.jfny.org>), This event also includes the presentation of the Japan Week Service Award to Marie Somers, Web Development Manager at Seton Hall University; Presentation of Japanese Teaching Awards to Seth Davis, Kearny High School, and Multicultural Administrative Award to Janise Jansen, NJ Department of Education as well as Japanese Language Studies Awards to both New Jersey high school and SHU students.

All events are open to the public and free of charge.
The program is subject to change.

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Sponsorship for Japan Week 2008 is provided by Seton Hall University's Department of Asian Studies in cooperation with the Asia Center, Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations, Office of International Programs, Multicultural Programs, Asian Studies Club, Consulate General of Japan in New York, Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry of New York, House Foods America Corp., ONKYO USA, NY/NJ Kendo Club, Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum, and Seton Hall University Art Gallery.

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