

Welcome to Japan Week 2012

Crisis to Opportunity:

Building a New Global Community

As we set our course for the future in the new millennium, Japan Week 2012 gives us the opportunity to build a bridge between cultures that will enable us to share our knowledge and experiences of Japan through lectures, symposia, workshops, events, and awards. Japan Week 2012 demonstrates SHU's ongoing commitment to bringing together people of different races, religions, cultures, and ethnic backgrounds. In addition, Japan Week 2012 provides an atmosphere conducive to a greater understanding of Japan and its people. It is our hope that participants in these events will become leaders in a flourishing dialogue between Japan and the United States and work towards building a more peaceful global community.

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March 27 (Tuesday)

4-6 p.m. Beck Room, Walsh Library

Bunraku: Understanding Japanese Puppet Theater and Technology



Lecture and video presentation on the famous Japanese Puppet Theater. Prof. Fumiko Bacon, Asian Studies Program, explores the history and theatrical performance of the Japanese art of Bunraku. Hosted by Japanese History class.

6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Beck Room, Walsh Library

Japanese Movie: Swing Girls

A comedy film co-written and directed by Shinobu Yaguchi about the efforts of a group of high school girls in Fukushima to form a jazz band and find the meaning of life. Hosted by Shigeru Osuka, Japanese Program (2004: 105 min. English Subtitles)

March 28 (Wednesday)

1 p.m. – 2:15 p.m., Arts & Science Hall 101

Understanding Tea in Japan



Dr. Shigeru Osuka, Director of Japanese Program, explains tea in Japan by examining geography and different variations of tea processing methods: Ma-

cha, Ryoku-cha, Hoji-icha, etc. Participants have the opportunity to taste different varieties of Japanese tea. Hosted by Prof. Gary Andrasko and Asian Social Life class.

March 29 (Thursday)

10 a.m.– 11:15 a.m. A & S Hall 103

SHU-JAPAN Exchange Program



SHU-Japan Exchange Program Summer 2011 participants will share their experiences of Japan as students in SHU's Japan Exchange Program. Kristin Wingate and Katia

Diaz will also provide information on the U. S. Department State Critical Language Scholarship experience in the summer of 2011. Hosted by the Office of International Programs.

March 29 (Thursday)

2:30 p.m.– 3:45 p.m. Beck Room, Walsh Library

Special Lecture on

Japan: Road to Recovery:

Challenges and Opportunities

Mr. Masaki Fujihara, Director of Business Development at JETRO New York, examines the current Japanese Business situation and gives guidance for the future Japanese Business opportunities. Hosted by Dr. Yui Suzuki, School of Diplomacy and International Relations.

March 30 (Friday)

9 a.m. – 3: 30 p.m. Beck Room, Walsh Library

The Fifteenth Annual

Graduate Student/School Teacher

Symposium on Japanese Studies

Keynote speech: "Think Global, Fear Local: Reflections on Power and Politics in Contemporary Japan." Dr. David Leheny, Henry Wendt III '55 Professor of East Asian Studies, Princeton University. Six research papers will be presented.

April 3 (Tuesday)

10 a.m.– 11:15 a.m. A & S Hall 103

SHU-JAPAN Exchange Program

Japanese Language &

Digital Storytelling Awards Ceremony



The Japanese Program is happy to announce its best and most motivated learners of Japanese language study. Students will be recognized for their striving effort by

receiving Digital Storytelling Awards. Award presenters are Kirk Rawn, Wendy Sue Williams, Hiroko Ogino, and Shigeru Osuka.

Thirteenth Annual Kite Contest

Registration: 2:30 p.m. –3:45 p.m.

Contest and Awards Ceremony: 3 p.m.



Contestants can bring their handmade kite to the University Green. Hosted by Seton Hall University's Asian Studies Association, and Dept. of Languages, Literatures and Cultures (Rain

date: April 10). Kite Making Workshop: Tuesday, March 20 at 8:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. (Fahy Hall 212).

All events are open to the public and free of charge.

(The program is subject to change.)

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