



Center for Japanese Studies
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY

CJS Newsletter

FALL 2007

Dear Colleagues and Friends of CJS:

As the new chair of CJS starting this fall, I am pleased to welcome you back to Berkeley, and to announce a full and very exciting lineup for the 2007-08 academic year. Our first event will be the screening of "Senkyo" (Campaign), an insightful and humorous look at Japanese electioneering (hosted by Prof. Steven Vogel) in September.

In addition to great speakers for our regular Friday lecture series, which will feature topics ranging from urban planning to the anthropology of haiku groups to Japanese electoral politics to Japanese American performance art, we are planning two major Japan-centered conferences for the spring. The first, on Japanese archaeology, has been organized by Prof. Junko Habu, who received a major grant from the Luce Foundation for this project. The second, organized by Prof. Alan Tansman, will be on Japanese film studies.

Other events to look forward to are the annual Maruyama Lecture and Seminar, which will be presented this year by Berkeley's own Judith Butler (Elliot Professor of Rhetoric & Comparative Literature). We will also be sponsoring a number of collaborative events with various Cal departments as well as units like the Cal Performances, the Berkeley Art Museum and the Pacific Film Archives, so please look out for them!

This is an exciting time for Japanese studies at Cal as well. This year, Cal will be holding a search for a position in Japanese history. We will also be celebrating the opening of the new East Asian Library, which means that our preeminent Japan collection will now have a worthy home. As always, we are honored to host distinguished faculty from Japan this year, including Prof. Naoki Hiraishi (Professor Emeritus of History of Japanese Political Thought at the University of Tokyo), who will be giving a lecture fall semester. This is a rare opportunity to hear some of Japan's most important scholars, so I hope you'll have a chance to catch them.

Last but not least, 2008-09 will be the 50th anniversary of the Center for Japanese Studies. We hope to put together a number of special events to celebrate our achievements as one of the oldest and most active research centers in the nation for the study of Japan. We are planning to use this moment in Cal history to reflect on the state of Japanese studies more broadly, and will be hosting a year-long celebration of our work.

We are looking forward to a great year, and hope to see or hear from all of you. I urge you to show your support for Japanese Studies at Cal by donating to CJS, volunteering for center events, and showing up to all of our programs that pique your interest.

Duncan Williams
Chair



Policeman (9/16)



CAMPAIGN (9/21)



Shedding Light (9/28)



Bunraku Symposium (10/11)

Schedule of Events: Fall 2007

- Sunday, September 16
3:00 PM-6:00 PM
PFA Theater
PFA Film Talk
Introduction for "Policeman" by Tomu Uchida (Japan, 1933), Japanese Genre Master
Sharon Hayashi, Film Studies, York University
Co-sponsored by: EALC, PFA
- Friday, September 21
4:00 PM-6:00 PM
IEAS Conference Room
Film Screening
CAMPAIGN (選挙)
- Friday, September 28
7:00 PM-9:00 PM
Berkeley Art Museum
Performance Art
Shedding Light: Performance and Illumination
Denise Uyehara, Independent Artist
Co-sponsored by: BAM, EALC, Asian American Studies, Consortium for the Arts
- Monday, October 1
4:00 PM-6:00 PM
IEAS Conference Room
Seminar (This presentation will be given **in Japanese.**)
Fukuzawa Yukichi's Asian Strategy
Naoaki Hiraishi, Emeritus Professor of Japanese Political History, Tokyo University, Japan
- Thursday, October 11
7:00 PM-9:00 PM
Wheeler Hall
Symposium
History, Culture, and Aesthetics of Bunraku
Peter Grilli, Japan Society of Boston
Mary Elizabeth Berry, Department of History, Janice Kanemitsu, EALC
Co-sponsored by: Cal Performances, Institute of East Asian Studies
- Thursday, October 18
4:00 PM-6:00 PM
IEAS Conference Room
Colloquium
The Concept of "Heaven" in Japanese Intellectual History
Naoaki Hiraishi, Emeritus Professor of Japanese Political History, Tokyo University, Japan
- Friday, October 26
12:00 PM-2:00 PM
IEAS Conference Room
Seminar (Please contact to request the paper. Reading required for participation)
Corporate Environmentalism and the Aesthetics of Industrial Ruins in Post-Industrial Japan
Tak Watanabe, Anthropology, Sophia University, Japan
- Friday, November 16
12:00 PM-2:00 PM
IEAS Conference Room
Colloquium
Zombie Lending and Depressed Restructuring in Japan
Takeo Hoshi, International Relations and Pacific Studies, UC San Diego
- Friday, November 30
12:00 PM-2:00 PM
IEAS Conference Room
Colloquium
Foreign Direct Investment and Wages: Differential Impacts by Worker Rank at Japanese Manufacturing Firms
Masao Nakamura, Commerce and Business, University of British Columbia
- Monday, December 3
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
IEAS Conference Room
Colloquium
Hierarchy, Power, and Poetry: Haiku Groups from an Anthropological Viewpoint
Hideaki Matsuoka, Anthropology, Shukutoku University

CJS Visiting Scholars 2007

Yoshiaki Azuma 8/28/2006-8/24/2008, Doshisha University, Economics

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<Research Interest> *Economic Development and Growth, Japanese Economy*

Naoki Hiraishi 9/18/2007-10/25/2007, Tokyo University, Intellectual History

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<Research Interest> *History of Political Thought in Japan*

Satoshi Kitayama 8/1/2007-7/30/2008, Tokyo Keizei University, Communication

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<Research Interest> *Communication Behavior on Blogs: History of BSD Operating System*

Satoko Maekawa 9/19/2007-9/18/2008, Kansai University, Economics

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<Research Interest> *Corporate and R/D Investment in the U.S.*

Tatsuyoshi Miyakoshi 7/1/2007-9/30/2007, Osaka University, Economics
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<Research Interest> *The Reform of East Asian financial Systems: Roles of Japan and USA*

Tomokazu Onishi 10/1/2007-9/20/2008, The International University of Kagoshima, Archaeology
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<Research Interest> *Comparative study of methods in Archaeology and Museums in US and Japan*

Elizabeth Sharf 11/25/2003-11/25/2007, Independent Scholar, Asian Art History
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<Research Interest> *Obaku Zen Portrait Painting*

Kenzo Yoshida 8/1/2007-8/31/2008, Matsuyama University, Economics
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<Research Interest> *Comparative Welfare Policies in the United States and Japan*

Information Bulletin

The Gilman International Scholarship Program offers grants for U.S. undergraduate students of limited financial means to pursue academic studies abroad. **Deadline: October 9, 2007** <http://www.iie.org//programs/gilman/index.html>

Foreign Language and Area Studies Awards. Enables students to acquire a high level of competence in one or more foreign languages. Continuing students should pick up an application and apply directly to the Graduate Services: Fellowships Office, 318 Sproul Hall, **by January 28, 2008.**

Summer FLAS applications also are available at that office and are due by January 28, 2008.
<http://www.grad.berkeley.edu/financial/deadlines.shtml>

Blakemore Freeman Fellowships

Blakemore Freeman Fellowships fund a year of advanced study of an Asian language in Asia for American citizens and permanent residents of the United States who have a college degree and who plan to use an Asian language in their careers. **Deadline: December 30, 2007.** <http://www.blakemorefoundation.org/>

International Dissertation Research Fellowships

The International Dissertation Research Fellowship (IDRF) program supports distinguished graduate students in the humanities and social sciences conducting dissertation research outside the United States. The program promotes research that is situated in a specific discipline and geographical region and is engaged with interdisciplinary and cross-regional perspectives. Fellowships will provide support for nine to twelve months of dissertation research. No awards will be made for proposals requiring less than nine months of on-site research. The 2008 IDRF fellowship must be held for a single continuous period within the eighteen months between July 2008 and December 2009. **Deadline: November 6.** <http://programs.ssrc.org/idrf/>

Japan Studies Dissertation Workshop

The annual SSRC **Japan Studies Dissertation Workshop** seeks to create a sustained network of advanced graduate students and faculty by providing the opportunity to give and receive critical feedback on dissertations in progress. The Program welcomes applications from students who have not yet begun fieldwork, who are currently in the field, and those who are in the process of writing their dissertations. The 2007-2008

workshop will take place Sunday, December 16 through Thursday, December 20, 2007 at the Asilomar Conference Center in Monterey, California, and will involve 12 students and four faculty. **Deadline: October 1, 2007**
http://fellowships.ssrc.org/japan/dissertation_workshop/

JSPS Fellowship Program

The Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) Fellowship Program for U.S. researchers provides ABDs and recent PhDs with opportunities to conduct research in Japan. **JSPS guidelines** target the applicant who wishes to conduct cooperative research under the leadership of a host researcher, thereby advancing the Fellow's own research and at the same time stimulating Japanese academic circles through close collaboration with young Japanese researchers. Please note that those situated within humanities and social science disciplines are eligible. **Deadline: December 1, 2007**
<http://fellowships.ssrc.org/japan/postdoc/>

UC Berkeley Conference Travel Grants. Ph.D. students in the final stages of their graduate work may apply for funds to attend professional conferences where they will present a paper or a poster on their dissertation research and make professional contacts. **Deadline: At least three weeks before date of travel.**

http://www.grad.berkeley.edu/financial/pdf/travel_grants.pdf

Chancellor's Dissertation-Year Fellowships. Applicants must be advanced to candidacy and expect to finish their dissertations during the fellowship year. The Graduate Division requests nominations from departments in the spring semester. http://www.grad.berkeley.edu/financial/pdf/chancellor_dissyear_announcement.pdf

University of California Dissertation-Year Fellowship.

Awarded to eligible graduate students whose doctoral work will be completed by the end of the program and who demonstrate strong potential for university teaching and research. Must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident whose background and life experiences enhance the level of diversity within the department or discipline. The Graduate Division requests nominations from departments in the spring semester. http://www.grad.berkeley.edu/financial/pdf/uc_dissyear_announcement.pdf

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