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### **1. Signs, Ciphers, and Seals: Literacy in Early Tokugawa Villages, Richard Rubinger, Indiana University. Friday, October 19, 2007**

Friday, October 19, 2007 (2:30-4:30pm), Mendenhall Lab, Room 185, 125 South Oval Mall. Dr. Richard Rubinger will be exploring the rise of universal literacy in Japan from the Tokugawa period to the beginning of the twentieth century. Literacy spread thanks to village leaders who were drawn in by the popular culture of Kyoto, Osaka, and Edo (Tokyo). Still, there are people who are illiterate in modern day Japan, which might be caused by geographical factors and local traditions of learning and culture. Go to [Rubinger](#) for more details.

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### **2. The Hand of Toshiko Takaezu**

This exhibition features the work of one of America's greatest living artist's and is made possible by her remarkable generosity. In 2006, Toshiko Takaezu (1922- ) donated 14 ceramics from her personal collection to the Zanesville Art Center. The Art Center had purchased three works from the artist in 1963. while she was still head of the Ceramics Department at the Cleveland institute of Art. The exhibition will also include a fine selection of pieces from the collection of Ron Wetherell.

### **3. Columbus International Festival November 3-4, 2007 at Veterans Memorial in Columbus**

52<sup>nd</sup> annual Columbus International Festival will be held this year at Veterans Memorial at 300 West Broad Street, Downtown Columbus Ohio. There will be great music, food and activities for all. Please see [flyer](#) for all the details, or go to [www.Columbus-InternationalFestival.org](http://www.Columbus-InternationalFestival.org).

### **4. “Chikanobu: Modernity and Nostalgia in Japanese Prints. September 8 – October 28, 2007**

Yoshu Chikanobu was an extremely productive and important woodblock-print artist of the Meiji era. Born in 1838, he died in 1912, the last year of the Meiji. Chikanobu is significant because he hasn't been studied much even though he had a significant output of work during this period.

The show runs September 8 through October 28, 2007 at the Denison Museum in Burke Hall, 240 W. Broadway, at Denison University in Granville. Hours are 1-4 pm daily during the academic year and by appointment. Call 740-587-6255 for more information!

### **5. Japanese language class offered for beginners. – Rescheduled for January, 2008**

A beginner's level Japanese language class will be offered by JASCO in January of 2008! The class runs 8 weeks from and will probably be on the Ohio State University campus. The class will probably be held from 6:30 – 8pm on Wednesday nights. Follow the link [Japanese Language class](#), for details regarding the type of class we are expecting to run. Please call Noriyuki Ito at 292-4002 with any questions you may have.

### **6. Business Seminar Series: Autofacts – The Automotive industry in North America, Trends and Environmental Issues. Wednesday, October 31, 2007 **Deadline for registration is October 26, 2007****

Join us Wednesday, October 31, 2007 (Griswold Center, 777 High Street, Worthington, Ohio 43085) for an informative seminar on Autofacts, The Automotive Industry in North America, Trends and Environmental Issues. Presented by Tsukasa Watanabe, Senior Analyst for PricewaterhouseCoopers Automotive Institute. This is a free seminar but seating is limited so registration is required. Please contact Mr. Hisatake Sugi, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Columbus at (614) 225-8187 or e-mail: [h.sugi@us.pwc.com](mailto:h.sugi@us.pwc.com).

### **7. 3<sup>rd</sup> Asian American Health Conference – October 26 and 27, 2007at Wright State University**

This conference will focus on health and wellness and eliminating health disparities in Asian American\* communities through strong partnerships. During this conference, speakers will present on a variety of workshop topics to develop awareness and inform participants of health disparities and the research and prevention methods available to eliminate such disparities. Presenters will also seek to motivate participants to support further awareness and research. See Health Flyer for all the details

### **8. JASCO Business Seminar Series: Accounting– Thursday, November 8, 2007 **Deadline for registration is November 5 2007****

Join us Thursday, November 8, 2007 (Westerville Community Center, 350 N. Cleveland Ave., Westerville, Ohio 43082) for an informative seminar on issues such as J-SOX, FIN 48, State and Sales/Use Tax and Transfer Pricing Rules and R&D Credits. Deadline for registration is October 5. Please go to [www.jasco.osu.edu](http://www.jasco.osu.edu) or follow the link [FLYER](#) in Japanese and [FLYER](#) in English, for all the details.

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### **9. JASCO Fall Picnic October 21, 2007**

Join your friends and colleagues on October 21<sup>st</sup> from 1-3 at the annual Fall Picnic. Bring a favorite dish to share and table service for your family. The event is free to member and \$5 for non-members (per family). JASCO will provide the beverages and fun activities for people of all ages. More details, including directions and RSVP information is available on our website. Open [Fall Picnic](#) for all the details.

### **10. 2008/2009 call for Proposals – U.S. Department of Education Fulbright-Hays Fellowships.**

**Deadline October 23, 2007** for the Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Abroad Fellowship Program. The office of International Affairs is the University administrator for the U.S. Department of Education's Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Abroad Grants. Grants are awarded for the purpose of contributing to the development and improvement of the study of modern foreign languages and area studies in the U.S. Go to <http://www.ed.gov/programs/iegpsfra/index.html> for more information and application form.

### **11. 2008/2009 call for Proposals – U.S. Department of Education Fulbright-Hays Fellowships.**

**Deadline October 29, 2007** for the Fulbright-Hays Faculty Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship Program. These grants provide support for advanced graduate students studying modern foreign languages and area studies. All doctoral degree candidates proposing full-time dissertation research abroad on topics that develop research knowledge and capabilities in world areas not commonly taught in U.S. institutions are encouraged to apply. Eligibility is restricted to students who possess the requisite language skills for the dissertation project and who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Applications are available at <http://www.ed.gov/programs/iegpsddrap/index.html>.

### **12. 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Ikenobo Ikebana Flower Arrangement Exhibition.**

Come and experience the traditional Ikenobo-Style Japanese Ikebana arrangement. Special attractions include workshops, demonstrations, miniature displays as well as café corners. The event is at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 600 Metro Place North, Dublin, Ohio 43017. For additional details go to <http://www.columbusarts.com/eventdetail.php?EventId=52091>, e-mail [Ikebana\\_Room101@yahoo.com](mailto:Ikebana_Room101@yahoo.com) or call the society at 614-717-0259.

### **13. 2007 Boston Career Forum**

November 9 – 11, 2007 (Fri-Sun) Hynes Convention Center. For free registration and more information go to [www.careerforum.net](http://www.careerforum.net).

### **14. JASCO's year end party December 11, 2007**

Save the date for JASCO's year end party, Tuesday December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007 from 6-8! More details coming soon.

### **15. Shakuhachi lessons at Chinese Martial Arts Institute in Columbus**

Michael Chikuzen Gould will teach Shakuhachi lessons on Saturdays and / or Sundays. Follow link for more details. [Shakuhachi lessons](#)

### **16. Graduate School Entrance: School of Cultural and Social Studies at the International Research Center for Japanese Studies in Kyoto Japan. Deadline for submission is October 25, 2007**

The Department of Japanese Studies, The School of Cultural and Social Studies, The Graduate University for Advanced Studies, Japan, is now calling for applications to its PH.D. course to begin on April 1 and October 1, 2008. Deadline for submission is October 25, 2007. Please go to [www.nichibun.ac.jp](http://www.nichibun.ac.jp) or [www.nichibun.ac.jp/research/do\\_program\\_e.html](http://www.nichibun.ac.jp/research/do_program_e.html) for additional information and application form.

### **17. Japan Foundation seeks applicants for Performing Arts Japan – Deadline October 29, 2007**

The Performing Arts Japan (PAJ) program was started by Japan Foundation to promote Japanese performing arts in the United States. The Japanese Foundation is now accepting grant proposals for fiscal year 2008-2009. The Touring Grant assists the presentation of Japanese performing arts in the U.S.

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and Canada, emphasizing locations outside major metropolitan areas. The Collaboration Grant allows collaborating artists to create new works with the potential to develop into a touring project. See more details and the grant application at [Performing Arts application](#).

### **18. 2007-2008 Research Workshop Series Fall Quarter Schedule**

Workshops will run Sept. 28, Oct. 12 and Nov. 16. For all the details regarding these workshops go to <http://asianamericanstudies.osu.edu/>

### **19. Jobs/Fellowships/Grants**

**The Japan Foundation** is offering the following three fellowships: Doctoral (4-12 months), Research (2-12 months), and Short-Term (21-60 days) . The fellowship programs give scholars, researchers and professionals the opportunity to conduct research in Japan. All projects should be substantially related to Japan in the fields of the humanities, social sciences and comparative research. See more information at <http://ieas.berkeley.edu/events> **Deadline: November 1, 2007**

### **20. Apply Now for Fall 2007 Faculty Research Grants **Deadline, November 16, 2007****

The Office of International Affairs is seeking applications for its Fall 2007 Faculty Research Grants. Grants up to \$5,000 may be awarded in two categories: Interdisciplinary Lectures, Seminars and Conferences; and International Research Travel. International Affairs awards grants to fund research activities that support international themes and which contribute to the mission of the Area Studies Centers. See [FLYER](#) and [FORM](#) for more details.

### **21. Japan Foundation's Arts and Cultural Exchange Program**

**The Japan Foundation's Arts and Cultural Exchange Program** is offering awards for Film and TV Program Production on Japan and Translation and Publication on Japan. [www.jfn.org](http://www.jfn.org) *Deadline: November 20, 2007*

### **22. Harvard University Program on U.S. – Japan Relations**

Applications are being accepted for an Advanced Research Fellowship at Harvard University. The deadline for applications is February 1, 2008. Please go to [http://www.wcfia.harvard.edu/us-japan/application/postdoc\\_application.htm](http://www.wcfia.harvard.edu/us-japan/application/postdoc_application.htm) for additional information and an application.

### **23. The Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission Prize for the Translation of Japanese Literature.**

The Donald Keene Center of Japanese Culture at Columbia University annually awards \$6000 in Japan – U.S. Friendship Commission Prizes for the Translation of Japanese Literature. A prize is given for the best translation of a modern or classical work, or the prize is divided between equally distinguished translations. Please go to <http://www.donaldkeenecenter.org/content/view/58/76/> for more details and an application form.

### **24. The Mike Mansfield Fellowship Program**

During this two-year program, Fellows spend a year working in Japanese government or industry offices, preceded by a year in Japanese language and area studies training in Washington, D.C. Fellows may bring their families to Japan. Please go to <http://www.mansfielddn.org/fellow/fellow.htm> for additional information.

### **25. Volunteers needed to share Japanese culture!**

Are you looking to share your knowledge of Japanese culture with others? If so, this is the opportunity for you! We are currently looking for volunteers with knowledge of Japanese culture such as tea ceremonies, Japanese dance and drumming to name a few. JASCO receives many requests for individuals with these talents. If you are interested, please contact Mr. Nori Ito at (614) 292-4002 or by email at [ito.12@osu.edu](mailto:ito.12@osu.edu).

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### **26. ConsuLink Newsletter now available from the Consulate General of Japan in Detroit!**

The Consulate General of Japan is now offering the ConsuLink Newsletter! Check it out at [www.cgjdetroit.org](http://www.cgjdetroit.org).

### **27. The Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) Midwest Newsletter**

The Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) has released a newsletter highlighting changing economic fundamentals in Japan. The latest installment can be viewed at [JETROMidwestOct07.pdf](http://www.jetro.org/documents/JETRO_Midwest_Aug07.pdf) [http://www.jetro.org/documents/JETRO\\_Midwest\\_Aug07.pdf](http://www.jetro.org/documents/JETRO_Midwest_Aug07.pdf).

### **28. Columbus Council on World Affairs (CCWA) eNews**

Checkout the Columbus Council on World Affairs upcoming events and information at [CCWA](http://www.ccwa.org).