

Community Calendar 2009.03.01

Dear Friends,

March comes in like a lion, bringing an embarrassment of riches, from cherry-blossom-viewing to the Kyoto Prize Symposium, from Persian New Year to discovering the science of chocolate!

Continue making plans to join San Diego Dragon Boat Festival's celebration of community on Saturday, May 2, at Playa Pacifica in Mission Bay Park. Sign up your team of 16 to join San Diego's finest, and get set to race with the dragons!

For more info, www.sdalliance.org, www.sddb.com or email me at linda_alliance@yahoo.com

1)

Saturday, February 28, 11 am – 4:30 pm

Sunday, March 1, 11 am – 4:30 pm

OHARA SCHOOL of IKEBANA, San Diego chapter, celebrates its 36th anniversary with "Harmony Through Flowers", Annual Flower Show & Bazaar

Flower arrangement demonstrations
12 pm, 1:30 pm, 2:30 pm, 3:30 pm both days
Casa Del Prado, Room 101, Balboa Park
<http://www.oharaschoolsandiego.org/info@oharaschoolsandiego.org>

2)

Sunday, March 1, 1:30 pm – 4 pm

SD CHINESE ART ASSOCIATION presents lecture by Award-winning author Cynthia Tang 張純瑛 on "Happiness Comes from Within: Commemorating Mozart" La Jolla Library, 7555 Draper Ave, La Jolla 92037
RSVP Run Ku rku1@san.rr.com

3)

Tuesday, March 3, 11:30 AM & 12:30 PM

JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GARDEN, BALBOA PARK
Traditional tea ceremony by licensed tea instructor Soryo Katayama Stott, assisted by Junko Kawa, Chizu Kakitani, & Takako Nishii
Learn history of tea ceremony & how to serve tea in traditional way
Free with admission to Garden, www.niwa.org, jfgsd@niwa.org

4)

Wednesdays, March 4, March 11, March 18, 10 am-12 pm

JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GARDEN, BALBOA PARK
Classes in ikebana (Japanese flower arrangement) with Yumi Rakers, certified instructor by Sogetsu School
\$15 fee for drop-in; pre-registration required

Supplies to be brought by participant
Kenzan, shallow container, garden scissors, water can or plastic bottle, flowers & branches (5-6 stems of flowers & 4 branches), trash bag, paper towels, & plastic or glass bowl.

www.niwa.org, jfgsd@niwa.org

5)

Thursday, March 5, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

CAL WESTERN SCHOOL of LAW's
2nd annual Spring Diversity Mixer with guest speaker,
the Hon Dana Sabraw, US District Court Judge
Roy Bell Reading Room (3rd fl),
RSVP Phillip Montague plmontague@law.cwsl.edu.

6)

Saturday, March 7, 10 am – 3 pm

JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GARDEN, BALBOA PARK
Make your own kimekomi temari ball with instructor Sandra Erbetta
\$50 members, \$60 non-members, includes all materials
(except lunch); some preparations will be necessary.
www.niwa.org, jfgsd@niwa.org

7)

Saturday, March 7, 9:30 am – 12 noon

SD CHINESE AMERICAN WOMEN'S LEAGUE
hosts seminar by Cheng-chung Chu 朱正中
former Managing Director of Coca-Cola China
"Wisdom for Career Survival in Global Financial Crisis"
Carmel Valley Branch Library, 3919 Townsgate D,
SD 92130; contact sdcawl.news@gmail.com

8)

Saturday, March 7, 10 pm – 3:30 pm

JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GARDEN, BALBOA PARK
Ikebana of the Ohara School La Jolla Chapter
in the Exhibit House; free with Garden admission
www.niwa.org, jfgsd@niwa.org

9)

Saturday, March 7, 1 pm – 4 pm

MINGEI INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM, ESCONDIDO
with the House of Iran & Persian Cultural Center
Celebrate NOWRUZ - PERSIAN NEW YEAR!
observed for centuries in Persianate cultures
Enjoy music, poetry, crafts, egg decorating
& the Haft Seen table set to await coming of spring

\$5 individual members & students; \$10 member families
& individual non-members, \$15 non-member families
155 West Grand Ave, Escondido 92025
www.mingei.org, mingei@mingei.org, 760.735.3355

½ price admission Saturdays & Sundays
10 am – noon, March 1 through May 25, at Mingei Int'l Museum,
Museum of Man, Museum of Photographic Arts (MOPA)

10)

Saturday, March 7, doors open 7 pm – 10:30 pm

UCSD ASIAN & PACIFIC ISLANDER STUDENT ALLIANCE
Presents its 14th Annual Talent Show "On the Record"

Showcasing Asian American talent from all over San Diego:
dance crews, singers, rappers, beat boxers, martial arts & more,
plus afterschoolspecial!!

UCSD Price Center Ballroom A & B; FREEEE FOR EVERYONE!!!
Donations accepted, proceeds to benefit UPAC & SDAFF

11)

Saturday, March 7, 9 pm

TERRY MATSUOKA & the Year of the Ox
With the Bankhead Press at LeStat's West 3343 Adams Ave
(between 33rd St & Felton St), Normal Heights, SD 92116
Terry Matsuoka www.crunchysandwich.com

12)

Sunday, March 8, 11 am

BUDDHIST TEMPLE of SAN DIEGO presents
"Creating a Legacy: from Onigiri to Spam Musubi,"
a book talk & media presentation by Susan Hasegawa,
author of *Japanese Americans In San Diego*
Book signing (books available for purchase), refreshments

All sales of *Japanese Americans In San Diego*
will benefit the Japanese American Historical Society
of San Diego & BTSD's New Heights Campaign
2929 Market St, SD 92102 (94 Fwy at 29th & Market St)
619.239.0896, info@btsd.net, www.btsd.net, event free

13)

Monday, March 9, 7 pm

UCSD's THURGOOD MARSHALL COLLEGE presents
Michael Golanco's award-winning play, *Year Zero*,
a comedic drama about young Cambodian Americans,
Reading directed by Seema Sueko, Mo`olelo's Artistic Director
& 2009 Artist-in-Residence, UCSD Thurgood Marshall College,
Featuring Brian Huynh, Jyl Kaneshiro, Thomas Kouo & Andy Lowe
followed by talk-back with playwright Michael Golanco
previously in SD with acclaimed *Cowboy Versus Samurai*

VisArts Theatre, UCSD Visual Arts Dept
(Russell Lane off Gilman Dr off La Jolla Village Dr)
9500 Gilman Dr, La Jolla 92093-0327, 858.534.2860
Free, but only 30 seats available for the public at this reading.
Reservations required; email jmorris@ucsd.edu

14)

Tuesday, March 10, 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm

NATIONAL ASS'N of ASIAN AMERICAN PROFESSIONALS
Presents "Impressive First Impressions" workshop by Dr. Vu Pham
of Spectrum Knowledge, a research, consulting, & training organization

At Jobing.com Offices, 2878 Camino Del Rio South,
Suite 410, SD 92108 (Mission Valley near Todai Restaurant)
Register on-line at www.naaap.org; \$25.00 per registrant.

15)

Thursday, March 12, 12 pm – 1:15 pm

PAN ASIAN LAWYERS of SAN DIEGO's General Meeting:
Panel on "Alternative Law Careers" (eligible for 1.0 General MCLE Credit):
Using legal degrees & skills in nontraditional careers
China Camp Restaurant, 2137 Pacific Hwy
\$11 member attorneys, \$10 member students;
\$13 non-member attorneys, \$12 non-member students
RSVP to Johnny Tran jtran@knlh.com, 619.231.8666

16)

Friday, March 13, 9 am – 12 pm

JAPAN SOCIETY of SD & TIJUANA's
Kiku Gardens Senior Outreach Lunch
The JSSDT staff & volunteers will cook & serve lunch
for Kiku Gardens, 1260 3rd Ave, Chula Vista, CA 91911
Suggested donation for lunch \$3
www.japan-society.org, 858.467.1727

17)

Friday, March 13, 7:30 pm

RED LOTUS SOCIETY inaugurates new Shingon meditation class,
(Japanese esoteric Buddhist meditation Sundays 6:30pm - 8 pm
with Sensei Tenshin Takahashi) with lecture by Michael Owens
on the history of Japanese Buddhism: slideshow, maps, music & more

Ideal Hotel, 540 3rd Ave, SD 92101
www.redlotussociety.org, 619.808.9847

18)

Friday, March 13, 8 pm

SIN NOMBRE directed by CARY JOJI FUKUNAGA
At UltraStar Mission Valley Cinemas
In Hazard Center at hwy 163 & Friars Rd

SD ASIAN FILM FESTIVAL www.sdaff.org partners with
16th annual SD LATINO FILM FESTIVAL March 12-22
to offer SDAFF members special rate of \$7.50/ ticket
Ask at box office; www.sdlatinofilm.com, 619.230.1938

19)

Saturday, March 14, 10 am – 2 pm

CELEBRATION of AWARD of BENEFITS to
FILIPINO-AMERICAN WAR VETERANS
Celebration of President Obama's inclusion of
benefits for Filipino War Veterans as part of stimulus package
at Veterans' Memorial & Museum, Balboa Park
Email Chris Macaraeg chris@macaraeglaw.com for info

20)

Saturday, March 14, 11 am – 12:30 pm

SD CHINESE HISTORICAL MUSEUM &
ASIAN PACIFIC HISTORIC COLLABORATIVE co-sponsor
Walking tour of Asian Pacific Historic District in downtown SD
Every 2nd Saturday of the month; meet at the Museum at
404 Third Ave (corner of J St); \$2 donation per adult.
RSVP to the museum at 619.338.9888

www.sdchm.org, www.asianpacificdistrict.org

21)

Saturday, March 14, 11 am – 2 pm

JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GARDEN, BALBOA PARK,

Celebrates 4th annual Cherry Blossom Festival

Come enjoy cherry-blossom-viewing with musical entertainment, arts & crafts, delicious traditional Japanese food, cultural demonstrations, kids' activities; fee \$18 adults, \$7 kids

www.niwa.org, jfgsd@niwa.org

22)

Sunday, March 15, 1 pm & 8 pm

WORLD BASEBALL CLASSIC at PETCO PARK

Pool 1, Game 1: Japan vs. Cuba, 1 pm

Pool 1, Game 2: South Korea vs. Mexico, 8 pm

TV: ESPN2; ESPN Deportes

www.worldbaseballclassic.com

23)

Monday, March 16, 2 pm – 3 pm

MINGEI INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM, BALBOA PARK

Lecture on "Indian Textile Traditions from the Collection of The Calico Museum of Textiles in Ahmedabad" by

Anne Morrell, author of *The Techniques of Indian Embroidery*

Balboa Park: Monday, March 16, 2 - 3 pm

\$5 members and students/\$10 non-members

1439 El Prado on the Plaza de Panama, SD 92101

www.mingei.org, mingei@mingei.org

Call 619.239.0003, ext 405 for info & reservations

24)

Tuesday, March 17, 8 pm

WORLD BASEBALL CLASSIC at PETCO PARK

Pool 1, Game 4: winner qualifies

Japan vs. South Korea

www.worldbaseballclassic.com

25)

Wednesday, March 18, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

FILIPINO AMERICAN LAWYERS of SD

General Membership Mixer at Confidential, 901 4th Ave

Email Michelle Cardinal mcardinal@smclawoffices.com for info

26)

Wednesday, March 18, 8 pm

WORLD BASEBALL CLASSIC at PETCO PARK

Japan vs Cuba

www.worldbaseballclassic.com

27)

Wednesday-Thursday-Friday, March 18-20

8th Annual KYOTO PRIZE SYMPOSIUM

Admission to presentations free & open to public

Register online at www.kyotoprize.org

- Wednesday, March 18, 5:30 pm – 9 pm

Symposium Opening Ceremony & Benefit Gala
"The Kyoto Prize: Celebrating Outstanding Human Achievement,"
at the Hilton La Jolla Torrey Pines Hotel
10950 N. Torrey Pines Rd, La Jolla 92037
Gala admission \$300/ person.
To purchase tickets, contact Alarus Agency,
619.235.4542. (Online registration not available for gala)

- Thursday, March 19, 9:30-11:00 am

24th Kyoto Prize laureate in "Advanced Technology"
Dr. Richard M. Karp, university professor at UC Berkeley
will discuss "The Mysteries of Algorithms"
at San Diego State University, Montezuma Hall at Aztec Center
Contact Melissa Henss 619.594.5744, mhenss@mail.sdsu.edu

- Thursday, March 19, 3:30-5:00 pm

24th Kyoto Prize laureate in "Basic Sciences"
Dr. Anthony J. Pawson, professor at University of Toronto on
"How Human Cells Talk to Each Other, & What Goes Wrong in Disease"
at University of California, San Diego, Price Center West, Ballrooms A & B
Contact Judy Lane 858.534.7835, jlane@ucsd.edu

- Friday, March 20, 10:30 am-12:15 pm at University of San Diego

24th Kyoto Prize laureate in "Arts and Philosophy"
Dr. Charles M. Taylor, professor at McGill University in Montreal
on "Democracy & Exclusion: The Darker Side of Political Identity"
at University of San Diego, Shiley Theatre
Contact Jodi Waterhouse, 619.260.4231, jodiw@sandiego.edu

28)

Thursday, March 19, 6 pm

WORLD BASEBALL CLASSIC at PETCO PARK
Japan vs South Korea
www.worldbaseballclassic.com

29)

Thursday, March 19, 7:45 am – 6:30 pm

MINGEI INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM's ART EXCURSION
To the Huntington Library, Art Collections, & Botanical Gardens
Thursday, March 19, 7:45 am – 6:30 pm
\$90 members, \$110 non-members, includes admission,
guided tour, transportation, refreshments on bus, driver gratuity.
Enjoy a special guided tour of the new Chinese garden,
spend afternoon exploring library, galleries & gardens.
Reservations 619.239.0003 ext116, membership@mingei.org

30)

Saturday, March 21, 12 pm – 4 pm

HOUSE of PACIFIC RELATIONS INTERNATIONAL COTTAGES
HPR Membership Drive Festival @ Balboa Park's Family Day
Organ Pavillion & HPR Cottages, Balboa Park, SD 92101
www.sdhpr.org

31)

Saturday, March 21, 12 pm – 4 pm

Sunday, March 22, 10 am – 4 pm

IKEBANA INTERNATIONAL Chapter 119,
Including the following schools: Chiko, Ichiyo, Ikenobo,
Ohara, Sogetsu, Chabana, Japanese silk painting,
kimono dressing, sumie, & tea ceremony.
Ikebana Show at Casa del Prado Room 101
Balboa Park, SD 92101, 619.232.8232

32)

Saturday, March 21, prelude 7 pm, performance 8 pm

LA JOLLA MUSIC SOCIETY DANCE SERIES

Presents SHEN WEI DANCE ARTS

Choreography which fuses dance, theatre & Chinese Opera

Birch North Park Theatre, 2891 University Ave, SD 92104

619.239.8836; tickets \$25, \$50, \$65, www.lajollamusicociety.org

Prelude 7 pm Lewis Segal probes roots of Shen Wei Dance Arts
Program 8 pm: *The Rite of Spring; Re (Part One)*

33)

Saturday, March 21

WORLD BASEBALL CLASSIC, DODGER STADIUM, LA

Semifinals: South Korea vs Venezuela

www.worldbaseballclassic.com

34)

Sunday, March 22

BUDDHIST TEMPLE of SAN DIEGO

SPRING HIGAN, ABA Chow Mein Benefit Luncheon

2929 Market St, SD 92102 (94 Fwy at 29th & Market St.)

619.239.0896, info@btsd.net, www.btsd.net

35)

Sunday, March 22, 5:30 pm

CHINESE CONSOLIDATED BENEVOLENT ASS'N's

Installation dinner at Jasmine Restaurant, \$25/ person

Lion dance, good food, & entertainment.

36)

Sunday, March 22

WORLD BASEBALL CLASSIC, DODGER STADIUM, LA

Semifinals: Japan vs U.S.

www.worldbaseballclassic.com

37)

Monday, March 23, 6:30 pm

WORLD BASEBALL CLASSIC, DODGER STADIUM, LA

Finals: South Korea vs Japan

www.worldbaseballclassic.com

38)

Tuesday, March 24, 11:45 am – 1:30 pm

ASIAN BUSINESS ASS'N's March Rice Club Luncheon

with District 5 City Councilmember Carl DeMaio

Members \$25, non-members \$30, door \$30

San Diego Hall of Champions, Balboa Park
2131 Pan American Plaza, SD 92101
info@abasd.org, www.abasd.org, 858.277.2822

39)

Tuesday, March 24, 5 pm & 7:30 pm
MINGEI INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM
& CINEMA SOCIETY of SAN DIEGO present
Special screening of *Between the Folds*
a documentary on 10 origami artists & scientists
AMC La Jolla Village 12 Theatres

Q&A director Vanessa Gould; origami with Robert Lang
\$15 members, \$25 non-members
Limited seating; advance paid reservations recommended
Contact 619-239-0003 ext. 405 for reservations

40)

Tuesday, March 24, 7 pm
CAL STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS presents
Writer & performer Kristina Wong with award-winning solo
Wong Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest: "Which came first?
The sky-high suicides of Asian American women? The maddening world?"
Arts 111, Cal State University San Marcos, www.csusm.edu
333 S Twin Oaks Valley Rd, San Marcos 92096-0001

41)

Wednesday, March 25, 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm
ASIAN BUSINESS ASS'N, JAPAN SOCIETY of SD & TIJUANA,
NATIONAL CITY CHAMBER of COMMERCE, &
SWEDISH AMERICAN CHAMBER of COMMERCE
Will hold International Mixer at Se San Diego Hotel :
1047 5th Ave, SD 92101

Appetizers, drinks, networking
Members \$10, non-members \$15, door \$20
www.abasd.org, info@abasd.org, 858.277.2822

42)

Saturday, March 28, 9 am – 11 am
FILIPINO AMERICAN LAWYERS of SD's
"Coronado Beach Clean-up Day", Coronado Beach
Email Valerie Garcia Hong vhong@pettitkohn.com for info

43)

Saturday, March 28, 12 pm – 1 pm
HOUSE of the PHILIPPINES hosts CHEF LARRY (Chs 10 & 15),
on the "History of Philippine Cuisine": Chef Larry talks,
cooks & serves a Taste at the Hall of Nations,
House of Pacific Relations International Cottages, Balboa Park
(3 buildings north of the House of the Philippines)
www.houseofthephilippines.org

44)

Saturday, March 28, 1 pm – 5 pm

VIRGINIA PRODUCTIONS, directed by CESAR MAGPURI,
Presents Battle of the Bands Extravaganza!
Local bands compete for prizes (\$300, \$200, \$100)
Dancing, jam session, art exhibits by Filipino artists
Mira Mesa Senior Center, 8460 Mira Mesa Blvd, SD 92129
Tickets \$10, Cesar Magpuri 858.566.6692

45)

Saturday, March 28, 2 pm – 4 pm
SD CHINESE HISTORICAL MUSEUM presents
“Magnificent Chinese Boxes of the Past”
a collection of finely crafted boxes from the Qing dynasty
Exhibit opening reception March 28, 2009

404 Third Ave at J St, Annex 328 J St at Third
www.sdchm.org, info@sdchm.org, 619.338.9888

46)

Saturday, March 28, 12 pm – 4 pm
Sunday, March 29, 10 am – 4 pm
TAKA SUMI-E SOCIETY SHOW
at Casa del Prado Room 101
Balboa Park, SD 92101, 619.232.8232

47)

Sunday, March 29, 3 PM
SAN DIEGO INDIAN AMERICAN SOCIETY's
Unity in Diversity 2009 Cultural Program
“TRADITIONS of INDIA” showcasing dances from around India
at the Poway Center for Performing Arts,
15498 Espola Rd, Poway 92064

Tickets \$50, \$20, \$15, \$10 (group discounts available)
For tickets, call Uma 858.405.3353, Neelu 858.484.1134

NOTES from the COMMUNITY

1)

Still time to catch **MO`OLELO PERFORMING ARTS'**
Since Africa, directed by Seema Sueko,
At the Old Globe Arena at Copley Auditorium.
SD Museum of Art, Balboa Park, SD 92101

Sundays, March 1, March 8, 2 pm & 7 pm
Saturday, March 7, 2 pm & 8 pm
Tickets \$48 - \$59, \$20 for under-30, group discounts
www.theoldglobe.org

2)

Make time also to catch **JAHJA LING**, Music Director, conducting
the **SAN DIEGO SYMPHONY**, www.sandiegosymphony.com

3)

Supernumeraries still needed for **SAN DIEGO OPERA's**
production of ***Madama Butterfly***: 1 Asian man, 5'10" or taller,
medium build, to fill the non-speaking, non-singing role of an

imperial castle guard, & 2 Asian girls, between ages 5 and 8, who will be able to sit absolutely still during a very famous aria.

Rehearsals are in Copper Room of Golden Hall (2nd floor, facing the Civic Center & at the Civic Center Theater. Rehearsals begin April 20-May 6; performances May 9, 12, 15, 17, 20

Call or e-mail Bob Borotrager asap 619.533.7073
bob.borotrager@sdopera.com.

4)

ASIA: The Journal of Culture & Commerce's "Legacy & Legends," 6th Annual Asian Heritage Awards honor outstanding Asian Pacific Islander Americans; nominations begin February 20. For more information, contact Asia Media Inc at 619.521.8008.

5)

SD ASIAN FILM FOUNDATION announces Reel Voices 12-week filmmaker's boot camp for high school students in SD County to learn the art of digital storytelling & documentary film
Download application www.sdaff.org
All applications due by 5 pm April 24, 2009

6)

San Diego celebrates science with inaugural, month-long **SAN DIEGO SCIENCE FESTIVAL**, March 4-April 4, with more than 500 activities throughout San Diego County, from the science of chocolate to the science of earthquakes, from the physics of skateboarding to discovering "The Science of You" Share in the excitement! www.sdsciencefestival.org

Thank you, as always, for your warm support of
Our Asian Pacific Islander communities – and our San Diego!

Sincerely,
Linda

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