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1. Institute East Asian Studies Lecture Series – “The History of Popular Culture in Japan”.

The Institute for Japanese Studies and East Asian Studies Center presents the East Asian Studies Lecture series - "The History of Popular Culture in Japan".

*The next lecture is “The Development of Mystery Fiction in Japan” by Dr. Mark Silver from the University of Connecticut, **Friday, March 28**, 2008 from 1:30 - 3:30pm 115 Mendenhall Lab, Ohio State University.

***Friday April 25th** will feature "The Development of Historical Fiction in Japan" with Dr. Scott Langton of Austin College. This lecture will be held at 115 Mendenhall from 1:30 - 3:30pm.

*Finally, **Friday, May 16** will feature "The History of Shojo Manga (Girls Comics) in Japan". This lecture will be held at 115 Mendenhall Lab from 1:30 - 3:30pm. See [FLYER](#) for all the details.

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2. 9th Annual JASCO Japanese Language Speech Contest, March 1, 2008 at OSU.

Come hear the finalists for the Japanese language speech contest this Saturday, March 1 at Hagerty Hall on the OSU campus. University finalists will be presenting their speeches from 10 am – 12 pm. High School finalists present from 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm. Awards will be shortly after the speeches finish and the judges complete their deliberations (schedule subject to change). See the [flyer](#) for more details.

3. Sumi brush painting workshop

Sumi brush painting will be taught at the Upper Arlington Senior Center on Wednesdays from 7pm – 9pm starting January 30 to March 5, 2008. Sumi is a form of painting in which black ink is applied with a brush to absorbent white paper. The brushwork is straightforward as only four basic brush strokes and simple techniques are used. By varying the pressure on the brush and the intensity of the ink, a monochromatic tonality is achieved that expresses emotion as well as captures forms. Students gain greater control of the brush and come to appreciate the beauty of sumi and its simplicity. Weekly lessons include practice for basic brush strokes, handling of white space and practice painting of flowers and animals. A supply list is mailed one week prior to the first class. The cost is \$70 for residents of UA and \$77 for non-residents. Call Lifelong Learning to register at 614-583-5333.

4. SHODO: The way of writing: Contemporary Japanese Calligraphy.

Presented by the Asian Studies Program at Bowling Green State University from February 26 through March 18, 2008, Monday – Friday 10am – 5pm. There will be a special weekend showing Saturday, March 15 from 12-5pm. Please see the [FLYER](#) for details on the schedule and special events.

5. Hiroshima Exhibit at Wittenberg University, March 14 – April 14, 2008 with opening reception on March 14, 2008.

The exhibit is created by the Hiroshima Peace Museum in cooperation with the City of Hiroshima. There will be a panel discussion and a reception on Friday March 14 with Sachiko Masuoka, an 85 year old survivor of the atomic bombings, and Dr. Yuki Miyamoto, Assistant Professor of Comparative Ethics at DePaul University in Chicago. Please follow these links for more [information](#) and to view the [poster](#).

6. Art on a String exhibit at Capital University Schumacher Gallery, March 3, 2008 – April 11, 2008.

Kites were invented and popularized in Asia more than 3,000 years ago. Although many designs remain traditional, Asian kites feature a variety of imaginative shapes and are associated with festivals, holidays, and special events. **Opening Reception: Friday, March 7, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.**
(Please Note: The gallery is closed March 20 - 24 for Easter.) M-Sat 1pm-5pm

7. Columbus Asian Festival, May 24 and 25, 2008 at Franklin Park Conservatory.

Join all the fun at the Columbus Asian Festival! The event is free and there are many activities for people of all ages. Please go to the website <http://asian-festival.org/index.do> for all the details.

8. TARGET: Getting to Global, February 29, 2008

The international expansion of Ohio companies is key to the future of the state. We invite you to use the Fisher College's network of global experts and international students to grow your business. Fisher's Center for International Business Education & Research (CIBER) invites you to attend TARGET: Getting to Global -- an opportunity to learn about practical tools to assess your readiness to expand your business in the global marketplace. Co-sponsored by the U.S. Department of Commerce and the Department of Development. See [FLYER](#) for all the details.

9. Apply Now for International Affairs Spring Faculty and Student Grants

The Office of International Affairs is seeking applications for its Spring Faculty and Student Grant Competition. The purpose of the grant program is to promote the understanding of foreign countries, cultures and peoples through academic study. Projects can explore languages, arts and politics, as well as address global issues in a regional context such as, public health and public policy. Applications are due Friday (3/28). For a list of requirements and an application form, visit <http://oia.osu.edu>.

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10. Nanzan University Center for Japanese Studies (CJS) Visiting Faculty Program Fall (Sept.-Dec. 2008) / Spring (Jan.-May 2009).

The Nanzan University Center for Japanese Studies (CJS) has recently established a Visiting Faculty Program to strengthen collaborative efforts with its student exchange partner schools. Every year, Nanzan University will invite from among its exchange partner schools one faculty member in the field of Japanese Language or Japanese Area Studies to teach and conduct research. All the details can be found in the [FLYER](#).

11. ATA Student Translation Award – **Deadline: April 18, 2008. See details at [LINK](#)**

◆ Grant-in-aid award given for a literary or sci-tech translation (only into English) or translation-related project by undergraduate or graduate students

◆ Students who attend university in the U.S. and have not published translation work are eligible

More information at: [ATA](#) or email: ata@atanet.org

12. The Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission Prize for the Translation of Japanese Literature. **Deadline is February 28, 2008.**

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 [Donald Keene](#) for more details and an application form.

13. The Walter H. Schorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center (Shorenstein APARC) fellowship. **Deadline for receipt of all material is March 1, 2008.**

Shakuhachi lessons a The Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center (Shorenstein APARC) in the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies at Stanford University announces the establishment of a postdoctoral fellowship in Northeast Asian History for the 2008–09 academic year. Made possible through the generosity of the Northeast Asian History Foundation, the fellowship will be awarded to a scholar for research and writing on a historical subject that has an impact on modern and contemporary Northeast Asia. Follow [LINK](#) to find out all the details.

14. The Mike Mansfield Fellowship Program. **Deadline is April 1, 2008**

During this two-year program, Fellows spend a year working in Japanese government or industry offices, proceeded by a year in Japanese language and area studies training in Washington, D.C. Fellows may bring their families to Japan. Please go to [Mike Mansfield Fellowship](#) for additional information.

15. 2009-2010 Kokugakuin University Visiting Research Program. **Deadline September 30, 2008.**

Toward the promotion of international academic communication and exchange, and in hopes of stimulating the development of research and education both in Japan and abroad, Kokugakuin University hereby administers a program of support for visiting scholars wishing to pursue research in fields related to Japanese culture. Applications are invited from foreign scholars and researchers at universities and research institutions outside Japan, who wish to undertake research at Kokugakuin under the guidelines of the "Visiting Researcher Program." See all the details at the website http://www.kokugakuin.ac.jp/kok/shohei_index/shohei_e.php?prt=1.

16. East Asian Studies Center provides a list of language and courses around campus with East Asian content.

East Asian Studies Center has compiled a list of language and area studies courses around campus with East Asian content to share with students. Go to [LINK](#) of all the details.

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17. New Program, Family Support Program, started at Asian American Community Services (AACS)

Asian American Community Services (AACS) is excited to announce our new program call Family Support Program (FSP). This program helps Asian immigrant families who have experienced any types of violence. FSP assists Asian people in understanding and appropriately utilizing the American social system such as legal/court system, medical system, system of child protective services, and the educational system. For more detailed information, please visit our website at <http://aacsohio.org/Servicesen/YouthFamily/FamilySupportProgram>. We are also looking for volunteers who directly work with the people who are suffering the violence. For more information, please visit <http://aacsohio.org/Servicesen/YouthFamily/FamilySupportProgram>.

18. Shakuachi lessons at Chinese Martial Arts Institute in Columbus.

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

19. 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 jasco@osu.edu.

20. 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.

21. The Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) Midwest Newsletter.

The Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) has released a newsletter highlighting changing economic fundamentals in Japan. Go to the link [JETRO](#) to see the following newsletters:

- Focus Newsletter – Ongoing snapshot of Japan's macroeconomy.
- Going Mobile Japan – Mobile industry topics and highlights from Japan.
- JETRO Spotlight USA – JETRO USA's national e-newsletter.
- Midwest Newsletter – News and updates from JETRO Midwest.
- Show Biz Japan – Japan's entertainment industry.

22. Columbus Council on World Affairs (CCWA) eNews.

Checkout the Columbus Council on World Affairs upcoming events and information at [CCWA](#).