



SKC *Newsletter*

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in the year of Tiger - a prosperous & blessed New Year.

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THE U.S.-JAPAN COUNCIL



THE U.S.-JAPAN COUNCIL is a newly established 501c3 non-profit educational organization which seeks to build a dynamic international network of Japanese Americans committed to strong U.S.-Japan relations.

The USJC opened its doors in early 2009 and maintains offices in Washington DC and Los Angeles. The Council has an active governing board and is planning a range of new programs and initiatives. It has also assumed responsibility for administering and building upon a number of international programs and activities initiated by the Japanese American National Museum in Los Angeles. Visit

<http://www.usjapancouncil.org/index.html>

for more information.

SKC News



Takana Miyamoto launches the record label Collaborative Universe

Founded by Takana Miyamoto in August 2009, Collaborative Universe Music LLC manages all activities of Takana Miyamoto as a pianist,

composer/arranger, music producer and an educator, and is also a music publishing company and a record company. We are committed to providing innovative and inspirational services in music and education through international collaboration and cultural exchange.



Takana Miyamoto

Takana Miyamoto is a Japanese born pianist, composer, and music producer based in Atlanta, GA. The firm musical foundation of classical piano and jazz improvisation makes Takana a versatile musician and the most requested musical collaboration specialist. She

has given concerts and master classes in over 15 countries including North/South Americas, Europe, Asia and Africa. [Read more about Takana>](#)

Visit <http://takana.analogbuzz.com/>

Atlanta members of Alpha Phi Alpha and Metro Law Enforcement Agencies Announce 2010 partnership on fraternity's 103rd anniversary at King Center Agree to work together to stem violence in and around metro communities

ATLANTA - Today, leaders of four major law enforcement agencies in metro Atlanta joined members of the nation's oldest African-American fraternity (on the organization's 103rd anniversary) in a unique partnership with the goal of reducing youth violence and crime. [Read the press release>](#)

[Click here to read the Proclamation>](#)

The Center for Pan Asian Community Services, Inc. (CPACS)



CPACS is a private non-profit organization. Its mission is to create and deliver culturally competent and comprehensive social and health services to counteract problems faced by immigrants, refugees, and racial-ethnic minorities. Visit <http://www.icpacs.org/> for more information.

Immigration Law Office of James C. Nolan



H-1B "cap" is reached - no more H-1B's until April 1, 2010

By Jim Nolan | January 1, 2010

As of December 21, 2009, Immigration received enough cases to reach the limit of H-1B visa cases for this year and will reject any H-1B "cap" cases it received after that date. For those cases that it received on December 21, 2009, it will use a random selection to pick those whose cases will be considered.

People who didn't get their visas in on time can file for H-1B visas on April 1, 2010, for visas that will start on October 1, 2010.

[Read the past blogs>](#)



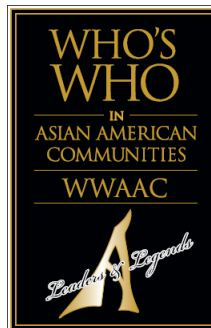
The Smithsonian Folklife Festival needs your donation!

Every summer, the Smithsonian Institution presents the Smithsonian Folklife Festival on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. that is attended by over a million people in person and millions more online. Focusing on three topics each year, it has helped Americans to learn more about cultures, countries and states, including topics such as Latino music, and organizations such as NASA.

In 2010, the Folklife Festival will focus for the first time on Asian Pacific Americans, along with the country of Mexico and the staff members of the Smithsonian itself. Our community's performers, craftspeople, foods, and histories will be celebrated, and we will have an historic opportunity to tell our stories and weave ourselves even more tightly into the fabric of this great nation.

<http://tinyurl.com/yj96r9h>

WWAAC News



Courtesy of Brian Steel Shots Photography
www.steelshotsphotography.com

**Now Accepting the 2010
WWAAC Nominations!**

[2010 WWAAC Honoree Nomination](#)

2010年度H-1B 'Cap' 終了:

移民局は12月21日付で、2010年度の新規H-1B発給枠65,000に到達したと発表。12月22日以降に移民局に送付された新規H-1Bは受付不可能として返却されること。12月21日に受領したものはコンピュータによる抽選で選ばれる。今年度の新規枠に間に合わなかった方は、来年度の新規H-1B枠に改めて申請可能です。受付開始は2010年4月1日で、実際の就労開始は2010年10月1日となります。

[>Read the Japanese Version](#)

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Searching for Jim Smith



In April 1975, young Kim Phan Delevett and her 10-year-old brother fled Saigon just before the city fell. Now, decades later, Delevett is

searching for the American who helped the children escape. Was he an intelligence operative? A diplomat? All she has to go on are a few faded photos and the most generic of names: visit www.findingjimsmith.com

Vietnamese American Heritage Project - Finding Home
by Kim Delevett
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q4jC4ZWGpG8>

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[2010 WWAAC Corporate Champion Award Nomination](#)

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Please visit www.wwaac.com for more information about the WWAAC Awards.

The Nation's Elite Asians Honored at the WWAAC Awards! [Read Press Release](#)

(Written by Michelle Henson)

[Read an article about the WWAAC Awards on Global Atlanta](#)

Upcoming Community Events

The 5th Annual New Year Celebration - VIP Networking Dance and Fashion Shows (Norcross, GA)

Hosted by Thai Association World Center USA
Saturday, January 9th, 2010
7pm-12am

Happy Valley Restaurant
5495 Jimmy Carter Blvd.
Norcross, GA 30093

Please visit www.tawcusa.com for more information

Hogaku: New Sounds of Japan 2010 (Athens, GA)

Hosted by Japan America Society of Georgia
Friday, January 15, 2010

Ramsey Recital Hall
UGA Performing Arts Center
230 River Rd.

Athens GA, 30602

Visit: <http://jasgeorgia.org/eng/taxonomy/term/1> for more information.

Shinnenkai Party (Peachtree City, GA)

Japanese New Year Party hosted by Japanese American Friendship Society

Friday, January 22, 2010

Wyndham Peachtree Conference Center
McIntosh Ballroom

[May 2009](#)
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2443 Hwy 54 W. Peachtree City, GA 30269
6:00 pm ~ 10:00 pm
Attire: very casual
Contact: HenryM@us.panasonic.com
Click [here](#) to see the flyer

- **[Seattle Nisei Veterans Committee 2010 Mark Yamane Military Scholarship](#)**

The deadline for applications for the 2010 scholarship is Friday, January 29, 2010.
[Please click here to see more information](#)>
For more information or if you have any questions about the scholarship program, please contact: Steve Finley at sffsf2@yahoo.com
Visit <http://www.seattlencv.org/aboutus/CapitalCampaigns.asp> for more information about Seattle Nisei Veterans Committee.

[CHEAR! Soundsation \(Norfolk, VA\)](#)

Saturday, February 27th
6:00pm - 10:00pm
Norfolk Waterside Marriott
235 E Main Street
Norfolk, Virginia 23510
Click [here](#) to see the flyer.
For more information,
visit;<http://chearvirginia.com/index.aspx>

[Japanese-City.com](#)

Listings of Japanese events nation-wide.

[The Japanese American National Museum](#)

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[January Events](#)

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SKC Community Partners

[Access Philippine Atlanta](#)

Electronic magazine on Filipinos in Atlanta and beyond

[The Asian & Pacific Islander American Health](#)

Forum (APIAHF)

APIAHF is a national health policy organization for Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders (AA and NHPI). Our mission is to advocate for greater recognition, inclusion and engagement of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders on policies and programs that are critical to the health and well-being of our diverse and vibrant communities.

The Atlanta Sacred Chorale

ATLANTA SACRED CHORALE (ASC) has touched people's hearts and spirits with the transformative power of sacred music for over twenty years. Renowned for its transcendent choral sound, ASC is an adult chamber choir that brings together professional musicians and gifted amateurs in a remarkable ensemble whose mission of "lifting the spirit through choral artistry" infuses each performance with emotional depth and a rare expressiveness.

Brokedown Cadillac

Brokedown Cadillac is a 5-piece modern country band fronted by Atlanta native, Corri English, and her counterpart, Randy Dunham.

Corri English starred in Mrs. Washington Goes to Smith on the Hallmark Channel

CAABO (Coalition of Asian American Business Organizations)

With a unified voice CAABO promotes member organizations and creates synergy among them in order to grow Asian American businesses nationally.

<http://www.caabo.org/>

Camp Twin Lakes

Camp Twin Lakes provide places and paths for children with serious illnesses and life challenges to experience the joys of childhood and grow in their confidence and capabilities. Located on 500 wooded acres in Rutledge, Ga., just 50 miles east of Atlanta, Camp Twin Lakes is a not-for-profit organization that provides a state-of-the-art, year-round camp facility with programs for children with serious illnesses and special needs.

CAPAW (The Center for Asian Pacific American Women)

The Center for Asian Pacific American Women (formerly known as Asian Pacific American Women's Leadership Institute, APAWLI) is the only membership organization in the U.S. that is dedicated to the holistic development of women who come from Asian and Asian Pacific Islander backgrounds.

CHEAR

The mission of CHEAR is to provide support for the necessary resources to the Hampton Roads community so that its citizens can obtain the highest quality and comprehensive services for disorders of the ear, hearing and balance. This goal can be achieved through programs for identification, clinical care, research, rehabilitation, education, public awareness and advocacy.

Watch a video about CHEAR

Chef Kong's Little Szechuan

Atlanta's best kept secret! Rated top 100 best Chinese restaurant in the United States for five consecutive years.

Chayil, Inc.

Chayil is a not-for-profit organization, was founded in 2003 with the vision to provide a nationally recognized, innovative platform for domestic violence recovery services that will significantly reduce domestic violence recurrence and deaths.

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Densho

Densho's mission is to preserve the testimonies of Japanese Americans who were unjustly incarcerated during World War II before their memories are extinguished. We offer these irreplaceable firsthand accounts, coupled with historical images and teacher resources, to explore principles of democracy and promote equal justice for all

Dunlap Coke Ovens Park Museum

Americana history slowly fading away...
Learn the history of Coke Ovens Park and how coal was turned into coke in Dunlap, Tennessee.

Galing Foundation, Inc.

The Galing Foundation provides children educational resources to assist in promoting the importance of functional and English literacy

Getting Into College: The Movie

A new DVD written and produced by Kathryn Beane to help high school students (and their parents) navigate the college admissions process is now on sale. For more information about the film please contact Kathryn Beane at Kathryn@gettingintocollegethemovie.com
<http://www.gettingintocollegethemovie.com/>

Greg Chun

Composer- Music Director in Los Angeles, CA

Iowa Asian Alliance (IAA)

IAA is a nonprofit organization established in 2002 by Asian American business, community, and civic leaders to forge cultural and economic growth. Visit <http://www.iowaasianalliance.com/> for

more information.

The Japanese-American Friendship Society

The Society was formed in 1986 to foster and engender a spirit of goodwill toward the people of Japan and America, and to promote a better understanding of the customs, culture, history, arts, literature, etc., between the two nations.

The Japanese American Veterans Association

JAVA is a fraternal, patriotic, educational and historical organization with the purposes of preserving and strengthening comradeship among its members, perpetuating the memory and history of our departed comrades, maintaining true allegiance to the Government of the United States of America, upholding its Constitution and Laws, and maintaining and extending the institutions of American freedom, and independently and in concert with other veterans organizations, striving to obtain for veterans, reservists, active duty military personnel and their families full benefit of their rightful entitlements as veterans.

The Japanese Embroidery Center

Located in Dunwoody, Georgia, the center was found in 1989 by Shuji and Masa Tamura. The Japanese Embroidery Center (JEC) is a nonprofit educational organization whose mission is to preserve and promote the cultural heritage of Japanese embroidery through the pursuit of Nuido™, The Way of Embroidery.

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Kaz Style Creations

Kaz Style Creations are simple & clean designs by using bright, colorful, and high quality Japanese materials. They are one-of-a-kind, traditional and new Japanese style!

The Monastery of the Holy Spirit

The Monastery of the Holy Spirit is a Roman Catholic monastery belonging to the world-wide Order of Cistercians of the Strict Observance (O.C.S.O.) - more commonly known as Trappists. They are currently a community of 44 monks spanning several generations, who live, work and pray at the Abbey. The Monastery is located in Conyers, Georgia, 35 miles east of Atlanta, Georgia.

[Watch our report about the Monastery of the Holy Spirit >](#)

[The monastery was featured on the GPB program>](#)

The National Japanese American Memorial

Foundation

The National Japanese American Memorial stands in our nation's capitol as a Memorial to Patriotism. Their vision is to remember forever the Japanese American history of patriotism and perseverance for posterity.

The Organization of Chinese Americans (OCA), Southern Nevada

In an effort to service the growing APA community of Las Vegas, The Organization of Chinese Americans, Southern Nevada Chapter was founded in 1998. <http://www.ocalasvegas.org/>

Refugee Family Services

The mission is to support the efforts of refugee women and children to achieve self-sufficiency in the United States by providing education and economic opportunity.

Sherman Consulting, Inc.

Sherman Worldwide professionals come from various industries of organizational development, PR, government and public affairs to create a synergy of talents to offer clients strategic and innovative solutions.

Takana Miyamoto

Japanese Pianist/Composer/Arranger/Producer in Atlanta, GA

The United States Asia Center (USAC)

The United States Asia Center (USAC) is a private, non-government affiliated policy think tank based in Washington D.C. dedicated to disseminating the most up-to-date research while publicizing pressing issues facing US-Asia relations and the Asian American community.

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