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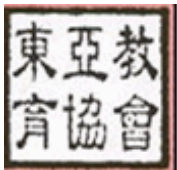
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Explore *East Asian Belief Systems* via Asia for Educators' Online Course. September 17, 2014 – January 6, 2015. Asia for Educators at Columbia University is sponsoring this course exploring Shamans, Shinto, Daoism, Confucianism, Buddhism, Islam, Christianity, and other belief systems. Each belief system will be examined in a two-week session. Study will begin with a lecture, PowerPoint presentation, and readings in the first week; the second week will engage participants in exploring online museum exhibitions and curriculum materials and discussing classroom applications. The course is free, but participants will be required to obtain a copy of a world religions text for reference. To register, click [here](#); act now, as the course began September 17, with the first two-week session starting September 24.

FCCEAS Announces First Webinar of Fall 2014, *Buddhism Along the Silk Road*. Tuesday, October 21, 7-8 pm EDT. Richard Taupier of the University of Massachusetts Amherst will present this one-hour webinar sponsored by the Five College Center for East Asian Studies. To register, click [here](#).

Sino-American Bridge for Education and Health Announces *Teach in China Program* for Summer 2015. Teachers interested in spending four to five weeks next summer teaching in Hangzhou, Fuzhou, or an as-yet-unnamed location in China should investigate the SABEH program. More information is available on the SABEH [website](#) or by emailing [Susan Thanas](#).

Previously Announced National Opportunities

Applications for Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program Now Available. Application deadline: November 1, 2014. Elementary and secondary educators are eligible to apply for the chance to study in another country for three to six months during the 2015-2016 school year. Winners of these Fulbright Awards will conduct research abroad, gaining cultural knowledge and global perspectives, as well as learning new instructional methods and assessment techniques. They also have the opportunity to share best practices with international colleagues and students. Educators can travel to the following areas in Asia (additional countries may be added): Singapore, Taiwan, South Korea, Vietnam, and India. For more information, click [here](#).

Children's Book Author Holly Thompson Available for School Visits This Fall. During fall 2014, Holly Thompson, author of numerous children's and young adult books about Japan and a frequent presenter at TEA events, is available for interactive presentations for grades K-12. She will tailor her presentations to fit a teacher's curriculum and will work with up to five classes per day. Charges are \$500/day plus transportation from Boston and accommodation if needed. For more information and a list of Thompson's books, visit her [website](#).

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Center for Asian Studies to Screen Two Korean Films. Thursday, October 2, and Friday, October 3, 2014. On Thursday, October 2, at 7:30 pm, CAS will screen *Old Boy* at the Visual Arts Complex Auditorium on the CU-Boulder campus. The next day, at 6 pm, Professors Hye Seung Chung and Scott Diffrient of Colorado State University will discuss *Old Boy* and *The Host*, to be screened at 7:30 that night, in a program entitled “The Politics of Transnational Korean Genre Films.” The Friday program and screening will be held at Muenzinger Auditorium at CU-Boulder. For more information, click [here](#).

Register now for *Afghanistan Today: Political and Ethnic Geography*. Saturday, October 18, 2014. Registration deadline: October 13, 2014. Sponsored by the South/Southeast/West Asia (SSEWA) Outreach Program at CU Boulder, this half-day workshop for secondary social studies teachers will explore the political and ethnic geography of Afghanistan, drawing on both historical and recent U.S. engagement. Jennifer Fluri, professor of geography at CU, and Rebekah Nesbitt, social studies teacher at Lakewood High School, both affiliated with the Choices Program, will lead the curriculum sessions. Participants will receive a certificate of contact hours and relevant teaching resources. For registration information, please email Kunga.Lama@colorado.edu.

CAS Hosts *China Town Hall: Local Connections, National Reflections*. Thursday, October 16, 2014, 5 pm. The China Town Hall is a national day of programming involving about 70 cities throughout the United States. A national webcast, this year featuring former President Jimmy Carter, is followed by on-site speakers. At CU, the speaker will be Lionel Jensen, Associate Professor of East Asian Languages and Cultures at Notre Dame. Much of Jensen’s research focuses on the intellectual history of Confucianism, but his published work extends from ancient through medieval to modern and contemporary topics. The program will be held in Humanities 250 on the CU-Boulder campus. For more information, visit the CAS [website](#).

Sam Mihara to Speak on *Memories of Heart Mountain: The Imprisonment of Japanese Americans during World War II*. Friday, September 26, 12:00-1:30 pm. At the age of 9, Sam Mihara and his entire family were interned at the Heart Mountain Internment Camp in Wyoming. In this presentation, Mihara will talk about the injustice he and 120,000 other Japanese Americans experienced. The presentation, cosponsored by CU Denver Asian American Student Services and the Anschutz Medical Campus Office of Inclusion and Outreach, will be held at the TIV Multicultural Lounge (900 Auraria Parkway) in Denver. For more information, contact [Soyon Bueno](#); to register, click [here](#).

Korean American Community Foundation Colorado to Host Annual Education Event. Saturday, September 27, 10 am – 12:30 pm. This educational event will feature two presentations: (1) “Korea Goes Global: The Unexpected Rise of an Economic and Cultural Powerhouse,” from Professor Tony Robinson of UC Denver and (2) “The Origin of Korean Language, Hangul,” presented by the KACFC steering committee. The event will be at the University of Colorado Denver North Classroom Building, Room 1202 (1200 Larimer Street) in Denver. For more information, click [here](#).

Global Confucius Institute Day to Celebrate Tenth Anniversary. Saturday, September 27, 10 am – 4 pm. The Confucius Institute at the Community College of Denver sponsors this free event open to the public. Attendees will have the opportunity to take part in language lessons, Chinese games, and hands-on crafts and to view traditional musical performances, the Chinese Lion Dance, art exhibits, and more. The event will be held at the Downtown Auraria Campus (1030 St. Francis Way) in Denver. For more information, visit the Confucius Institute [website](#).

Celebrate Japanese Culture in Colorado Springs at the *Japanese Cultural Festival and Bazaar*. Saturday, October 4, 2014, 10 am – 4 pm. The Japan-America Society of Southern Colorado presents this free festival featuring a bazaar and such entertainment as taiko, koto, shakuhachi, and martial arts demonstrations. The event will be held at the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs University Center, second floor (1420 Austin Bluffs Parkway). For more information, visit the JAS of Southern Colorado [website](#).

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Denver Public Library Hosts *Norihito's Kiri-e* Exhibit. Through Sunday, September 28, 2014. Kiri-e involves cutting intricate designs in paper to create delicate artwork. This exhibit, presented in partnership with Denver's sister city of Takayama, features the work of artist Norihito Yoshimoto. The exhibit is presented on the fifth floor of the Central Library (10 West 14th Avenue Parkway) during regular library hours. Visit the Library [website](#) for more information.

NCTA State and Local Opportunities

FCCEAS Announces NCTA Seminar to Be Held in Upstate New York. January 15 – March 21, 2015. The Five College Center for East Asian Studies has announced that a 2015 NCTA seminar will be held in Buffalo. The seminar will be led by Bruce Acker of the University of Buffalo. Meetings will be held on Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings. For more information or to register, click [here](#).

Featured Resources

After the Darkness is a 24-minute film about the 3/11/2011 earthquake, tsunami, and subsequent nuclear disaster that struck Japan's Tohoku region. The documentary focuses particularly on how the disasters affected two survivors who have rebuilt their lives since the disasters, using these case studies as windows to understanding the nation's experience. An accompanying teacher's guide provides activities, discussion questions, note-taking handouts, a PowerPoint presentation, and readings that draw on the work of Stanford scholars to help students understand the nuclear disaster. The film and guide are available free at the SPICE (Stanford Program on International and Cross-Cultural Education) [website](#).

Australia's Asia Education Foundation provides units for use in implementing an ***Asia-focused Geography Curriculum***. Among the units are several focusing on China, all aimed at secondary students, as well as a unit titled "South Korea—Creating a Sustainable Giant." To access the units, click [here](#).

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