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Applications open for TEA-NCTA 2022 Summer Institute!

Considering Early Modern East Asia through Maritime History, July 11-15, 2022. From the 14th to 19th centuries, the sea closely linked countries of East Asia through economic, diplomatic, and cultural exchange and war. This residential institute focuses on regional history through lenses of sea-based transborder peoples, institutions, and practices and reconsiders encounters and conflicts with European powers. **Application.**

TEA-NCTA Winter Online Courses. A few spaces remain for these courses. All courses offer a certificate of professional development hours and completion award. Courses are open to teachers nationwide. Please see individual course flyers for specifics of each course and eligibility.

- **Book Group: *Champions Day: The End of Old Shanghai*. January 14 – March 3.** Through the 2021 book *Champions Day* and the lens of horse racing in Shanghai in the first half of the 20th century, participants will explore life in the teaming port city of Shanghai; city planning and architecture; Shanghai's complex social fabric; imperialism; extraterritoriality; racism; and Japan's invasion of China. Open to secondary teachers who teach about China. **Flyer and application.**

- **Seminar: *Women in East Asia*. January 13 – March 9.** Applying history and geography lenses, this three-module course for secondary social studies teachers explores women in China, Japan, and Korea, focusing on Confucianism; capitalist and socialist modernity; and contemporary social, economic, and political trends. Includes three live sessions with East Asian specialists. **Flyer and application.**
- **Book Group: *Land of Big Numbers: Linking Literature and Current Issues*. January 15 – February 19.** Over four weeks, participants will read short stories from the critically acclaimed *Land of Big Numbers* that examine the lives of individuals navigating the complexities of life in contemporary China. Each story will be accompanied by non-fiction background reading to establish context. **Flyer and application.**
- **Seminar: *Chinese Literature through History, Part 2: The 20th Century*. January 20 – March 16.** Focusing on literary writings from China's revolutionary period, participants will explore classroom-applicable works of literature that offer windows into Chinese history, society, and culture. Open to secondary teachers who teach about China as part of their required curriculum. *Chinese Literature Part I* is not a prerequisite for this course. **Flyer and application.**
- **Seminar: *Modern Japan, Part 2: Post-War Occupation through the 2011 Triple Disaster*. January 23 – March 19.** Through six one-week modules, participants will explore significant elements of Japan's political, social, and cultural history. The course includes academic video lectures, primary and secondary source readings, and exemplary websites for instructional use. Open to secondary social studies teachers who teach about Japan as part of their required curriculum. *Modern Japan Part I* is not a prerequisite for this course. **Flyer and application.**

- **Book Group: *Temple Alley Summer*. February 11 – April 12.** Intermediate elementary and middle school teachers will consider Japanese children’s summer activities, cultural traditions and beliefs, and the fantasy genre in Japanese children's literature through this story of a fifth-grade student's supernatural adventure during summer break. **Flyer and application.**

National Opportunities

Call for Manuscripts: Teaching Asia in Middle School. The editors of *Education about Asia* seek manuscripts for this forthcoming theme issue. Submissions may be articles and teaching resource essays intended for middle-grade instructors. **Details.** The deadline for initial manuscripts for this issue is May 20, 2022.

Winter Webinars from NCTA at the Five College Center for East Asian Studies. Open to K-12 educators and general public.

- **The week that changed the world? Nixon and the beginning of US-China Engagement.** January 27, 7-8 pm ET. Presenter: Dr. Sara Newland. **Register.**
- **Mao and the Music: Songs and Memories of the Cultural Revolution.** February 10, 7-8 pm ET. Presenter: Dr. Lei X. Ouyang. **Register.**
- **Contemporary Art and Ecology.** February 15, 7-8 pm ET. Presenters: Zheng Bo and Yao Wu. **Register.**

National Winter Courses from our NCTA colleagues

- ***Beethoven in Beijing: Nixon, Mao, the Cultural Revolution and the Philadelphia Orchestra.*** January 24-February 18. (Five College Center for East Asian Studies) Uses the documentary film, *Beethoven in Beijing*, as a lens to examine Nixon’s 1972 visit to China, Mao, music, and the

Philadelphia Orchestra's 1973 tour to China.

Details.

- ***Things Left Behind: Integrating Social Emotional Learning into the Classroom.* January 29.** (University of Pittsburgh) Participants will be given access to the film *Things Left Behind*, which confronts the tragedy of Hiroshima through the photographs of renowned Japanese photographer Ishiuchi Miyako. **Details.**
- ***China and Japan Between 1860 and 1912.* January 24-February 28.** (University of Washington) Topics include the Taiping Rebellion, China's Self-Strengthening Movement, the Boxer Rebellion, Meiji Restoration, and the Sino-Japanese War. **Details.**

Previously Mentioned National Opportunities

Sejong Cultural Society online *sijo* classes. January 16 and February 17. This free course is centered on detailed analyses and critiques of student and professional *sijo*, including writing and editing original *sijo*. **Details.**

Elgin Heinz Outstanding Teacher Award Competition Deadline Extended. Administered by EngageAsia and open to current full-time K-12 classroom teachers, this award is offered in two categories, Humanities and Japanese Language, and honors top teachers who have dedicated their career to furthering mutual understanding between Americans and Japanese. The application deadline for the 2021 award in the Humanities category has been extended to April 15, 2022. **Details and application.**

Virtual Kyoto Garden Tour and Virtual Sencha (green tea) Tasting from the Five College Center for East Asia Studies continues with monthly virtual tours through April. Check **details** for next dates.

Virtual Lunar New Year Field Trip for PreK-8. December 13, 2021–February 4, 2022. What is Lunar

New Year, and how is the celebration similar to and different from celebrations marking January 1? During this virtual field trip at the National Museum of Asian Art, students will explore works of art, interactive storytelling and watch video clips of festivities of this Year of the Tiger. [Details and registration.](#)

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Celebrate the 2022 Lunar New Year

- **Roaring into the Year of the Tiger, February 5, 10 am-12:30 pm.** Hosted by Asian Girls Unite, this program will feature Freeman Book Award winning author, Andrea Wang, a lion dance, mask craft, dumplings and more. Asian Pacific Development Center, Aurora. [Details and tickets.](#)
- **Nai-Ni Chen Dance Company presents "The 2022 Lunar New Year of the Water Tiger," February 12, 8 pm.** Lone Tree Arts Center. [Details and tickets.](#)

Washi Transformed: New Expressions in Japanese Paper. January 29 - May 15, 2022. Exhibition of nine contemporary Japanese artists and their unexpected creations using traditional Japanese paper. Longmont Museum. [Details and tickets.](#)

NCTA State and Regional Programs

New England and NY: *Ancient East Asia.* January 19-February 16. Registration for this introductory-level seminar offered by the Five College Center for East Asian Studies closes January 7. [Details.](#)

Forth Worth, Texas: *The Study of Asia: from Revolution to Rebirth.* February 1- April 25. This interdisciplinary face-to-face seminar will explore East Asian civilizations with emphasis on the interconnection among Asian states and with the rest of the world. Email c.currier@tcu.edu for more information.

Featured Resources

World101 developed an online module, “**East Asia & The Pacific**,” which covers modern history, society, politics, economics, geopolitics, and US foreign policy regarding Northeast and Southeast Asia. Lesson plans on comparing and contrasting north and south East Asia, developing policy briefs, and analyzing population density are included, as well as diplomatic simulations, essay/discussion questions, and a supplemental readings and resources list. [Website.](#)