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Opportunity for Denver-Area Teachers

Take advantage of TEA downsizing! Join us for a Denver garage sale, 8 am – 4 pm, Saturday, September 7, at 1060 Columbine, Denver. Adult and children's kimono, obi, Mao suit, hanging scrolls, miscellaneous Chinese and Japanese items and toys.

Last Call: TEA-NCTA National Online Courses for Fall 2019

NCTA at TEA is offering online seminars, book groups, and a current events discussion course this fall. Each course is targeted to a specific teacher audience; please note eligibility for each course and details on each course flyer. All courses begin in late September.

Seminar: *Cracking the Samurai Code: Separating Fact from Fiction*. September 29 – November 23, 2019. 20 professional development contact hours and stipend. **Flyer and application.**

Seminar: *Chinese History through Its Dynasties: Qin, Han, Tang*. September 29 – November 19, 2019. 18 professional development contact hours and stipend. **Flyer and application.**

Discussion Group: *China in the News*, with Author Eric Fish. September 29 – November 16, 2019. 12 professional development contact hours and stipend. **Flyer and application.**

Seminar: *Korea (1876-1953): Independence to Division*. September 26 – December 5, 2019. 24 professional development contact hours and stipend. **Flyer and application.**

Book Group: *The Great Wave: Japan through Children's Literature*. September 27 – December 2, 2019. 16 professional development contact hours and stipend. **Flyer and application.**

NCTA in Northern Virginia

Northern Virginia and DC area teachers *save the date* for the first of three 2019-2020 NCTA Saturday workshops, December 14, 2019. Our first workshop will focus on society and culture in contemporary China, including China's millennials and emerging social issues in Xi Jinping's China today. Look for details in our October E-News. Winter workshops are scheduled for February 29 and March 7, 2020 at the Freer|Sackler and Madeira School.

National Opportunities

Columbia NCTA Online Book Groups: *Understanding China Through Comics, Graphic Novels, and Drama*. September 2019 – February 2020. The NCTA national coordinating site at Columbia's Weatherhead Institute is offering several book groups this fall and winter, each running at a different time period. More information is available [here](#).

Workshop: *Using the Japan Disasters Digital Archive in the Classroom*. December 6-7, 2019. Application deadline: October 18, 2019. Harvard's Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies invites applications from high school and college faculty as well as librarians in public or private libraries to a two-day workshop on using the innovative Japan Disasters Digital Archive for teaching contemporary Japan. Japan's 2011 Triple Disaster of earthquake, tsunami, and nuclear meltdown was unprecedented both in its magnitude and scope. Study of the disaster and its aftermath offers a unique opportunity to engage students in learning about Japan, exploring issues of significance far beyond Japan, and engaging in authentic research with archival materials. Costs of travel and lodging are covered by the program. For full details and application can be found [here](#); the workshop webpage is [here](#).

Online Seminar: *Post 1990s Developments in China's Relationship to the World*. December 10, 2019, 7-8:30 pm EST. Led by Professor Xing Hang of Brandeis University, this seminar sponsored by Primary Source will help orient participants to how China's relationships and priorities have evolved over the past three decades and prompt them to consider the alternative global framework China has been developing for the future. [Information and registration](#).

Scholarships for Youth Study Abroad. 2020-2021 School Year. Application deadline: October 30, 2019. The NSLI-Youth program sponsored by the U.S. State Department offers scholarships to support high school students who wish to study language and culture in such countries as China and Korea. [Information and application](#).

Previously Announced National Opportunities

Workshops: *Dharma and Punya: Buddhist Ritual Art of Nepal*. The College of Holy Cross is offering three teacher workshops in conjunction with an exhibition of ritual art. For more information, contact Mimi Stephens at stephensmimi21@gmail.com.

- *Teaching Buddhism and Its Asian Diaspora: History, Geography, and Its Place in World History*. September 17, 2018, 4-7 pm.
- *Understanding the Role of Ritual and Art in Buddhism as Lived Tradition*. September 24, 4-7 pm.
- *Guided Exhibit Tours and Interaction with Ritual Objects*. October 8, 4-7 pm.

NCTA Webinar: *Thirty Minutes Over Oregon: A Japanese Pilot's World War II Story*, with author Marc Tyler Nobleman. October 24, 2019, 7-8 pm EDT. The author will discuss his Freeman Award-winning book in this webinar sponsored by the Five College Center for East Asian Studies. [Registration](#).

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Japanese Kite Festival, September 14-15, 2019. This festival, sponsored by the Japan America Society of Colorado, will involve kite-making workshops with Edo Kite Master Mikio Toki on September 14 (12:30 pm and 3 pm) at Stapleton Central Park in Denver (9651 E. Martin Luther King Blvd.) and a kite-flying festival on September 15 from 10 am – 3 pm at Cottonwood Gallery Park (intersection of 51st Ave. and Verbena St.). Learn more and register for a workshop [here](#).

Trump and Kim Jong Un: What Next? With Ambassador Joseph Yun. October 10, 2019. This program will feature Ambassador Joe Yun, former special representative for North Korea policy, discussing the current relationship between the U.S. and North Korea. The program will occur twice: WorldDenver is offering a breakfast program at the University Club Denver (1673 Sherman St), 7:15-9 am ([more information](#)) while the Center for Asian Studies at CU Boulder is offering a second chance to hear Ambassador Yun speak at 5 pm at Eaton Humanities 150 on campus ([more information](#)).

Homestay Families Sought. The Denver Takayama Sister City Committee is seeking homestay families for four boys from Takayama Technical High School who are coming to Denver to help restore a *yatai* (a roofed cart used by street vendors). The visit will be October 15-20. Contact Steve Comstock at steve@trainersfriend.com if you are interested.

Sumo Exhibition. October 23, 2019. 7-9 pm. The Japan America Society of Colorado is presenting an exhibition by USA Sumo. Although part of the Society's annual fund-raising gala, general admission tickets for the sumo exhibition only are also available. The program will be at the Exdo Events Center (1399 35th St., Denver). [Information and tickets](#).

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NCTA California Seminar: *East Asia Since 1800*. September 28 – November 18, 2019. Application deadline: September 14, 2019. This seminar to be held at the University of Southern California will offer in-depth presentations on the history and cultures of East Asia. The course will meet on three Monday evenings and four Saturdays. [Information and application](#).

NCTA New York Seminar: *Teaching East Asia*. October 19, 2019 – March 7, 2020. Application deadline: September 20, 2019. This seminar for K-12 teachers will cover topics related to geography, philosophy, religion, history, literature, and art identified in the NY state core curriculum. The seminar will be held at Clarkson University in Schenectady. To apply, contact Catherine Snyder at csnyder@clarkson.edu.

NCTA Pennsylvania Seminar: *East Asia*. October 3 – December 12, 2019.

Application deadline: September 25, 2019. This seminar, to be held at Lehigh University on Thursday evenings from 4:30-7:30 pm, will explore the history, philosophy, politics, art, literature, languages, and cultures of China, Japan, and Korea. Two follow-up sessions in spring 2020 will also be required. **Information and application.**

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Featured Resource

Harvard University's Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies has created the *Japan Disasters Digital Archive (JDA)*, which allows users to access archived materials from all over the web, including individuals' testimonials, tweets, content from international partners, and more. Users can also create curated collections and interactive presentations on specific topics of interest to them. Visit the **JDA website** to learn more.