1988 - 1998 Celebrating the Struggle for Redress

Liberties Act of 1988 which granted redress to over 81,800 Japanese Americans.



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Presented by National Coalition for Redress/Reparations (NCRR)

Honorees

Little Tokyo Service Center (LTSC)



LTSC provided a meeting space for NCRR and was the hub of much redress activity. The center's staff and volunteers translated leaflets and redress information into Japanese. They provided transportation and translation for the Issei at the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians (CWRIC) hearing held in Los Angeles.

LTSC is a non-profit organization that provides a multitude of social services to Japanese Americans and residents of Little Tokyo. LTSC's Community Development Corporation recently opened Casa Heiwa, a 100-unit low-income housing project in Little Tokyo.

Takeshi Nakayama

Takeshi is the Associate Editor of the English Section of the *Rafu Shimpo*, the oldest Japanese American daily community newspaper. He has been working at the *Rafu* for 30 years and has been covering redress issues and events for 17 years.

Takeshi has made it his personal responsibility to ke^{ϵ} redress at the forefront of important issues by accompanying a delegation to Washington, D.C. and initiating his own articles. The *Rafu* staff continues to show its commitment to redress through coverage of the remaining redress cases as well as printing the list of names of people the ORA has been unable to locate.



Bob Bratt



Bob was the first administrator of the Office of Redress Administration (ORA) from 1988 to 1992. He made certain that each claimant was treated with respect and kindness and made every effort to see that redress was carried out by the government. He came up with the idea of conducting community workshops where redress claimants can have their questions answered and receive help with forms and procedures. Within the first three years since payments began, more than 75,000 redress payments were made.

As the Counsel to the Administrator of the ORA, he continues to meet with the community about redress issues.

Joanne Chiedi

Joanne is currently the Deputy Administrator at the ORA and has been on the staff for 10 years. She has traveled all over the country to conduct community meetings and meet with claimants to insure that everyone was informed about the procedures involved.

Joanne is being honored for her tremendous concern for all claimants and exceptional commitment to the program.



Special Guest

Jude Narita

Jude Narita, internationally known actor/writer, started performing her own works in 1985 after having been an actress for ten years. Frustrated by the lack of available roles, and with the continual portrayals in the media of demeaning and one-dimensional stereotypes of Asian women without dignity or understanding, she began writing.

Jude is best known for her one-woman play, "Coming Into Passions/Song for a Sansei," which received a Los Angeles Drama Critics' Circle Award. She is a recipient of a 1997-98 Civil Liberties Public Education Fund grant.

Programme

Welcome

Tributes

Jim Matsuoka, Master of Ceremonies

CWRIC Commission Hearing tapes

John Esaki, Visual Communications

Presented by Kay Ochi & Kathy Nishimoto Masaoka

Friends of the Community

Bob Bratt, Administrator, 1988 - 1992 Office of Redress Administration

Joanne Chiedi, Deputy Administrator, 1988 – present Office of Redress Administration

Community Awards for Redress

Little Tokyo Service Center

Takeshi Nakayama Associate Editor, English Section, Rafu Shimpo

Special performance

Jude Narita

Excerpts from work in progress on the Gripsholm Hostage Exchange

Candlelighting Ceremony

Narrated by Janice Harumi Yen & Sharon Tanihara

Jennifer Emiko Kuida Duane Inouye Sanchez & Gerald Sato

Sam Mivamoto & Reiko Nimura David Kawamoto, PSWD Governor Kimi Yoshida Sugi Takahashi Alice Nishimoto Wendy Hirota Derek Sakata

Honoring the Issei Consolo-Ishida, born to voluntary evacuees Minor relocatees Hawai'i cases Arizona cases Railroad & mine workers Japanese Latin Americans Continuing legal cases Future generations

Perspectives on the Legacy of Redress Ayako Hagihara & Tony Osumi

Closing

Richard Katsuda



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