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Event Wrap

EASC Commencement Reception

PHOTOS

Congratulations to our graduating East Asian Area Studies undergraduate and graduate students! We hosted our first in-person EASC Commencement Reception in two years last Friday, May 13. It was great seeing all of our graduates and their loved ones and hearing about their experiences at USC and where they are headed next. The EASC team is incredibly proud of all our graduates' accomplishments and for completing their degrees! Please see below for the list of our graduating students and previous graduate fellowship awardees!

Undergraduate Students

Miranda Blanco (BA, ACMA, EAAS minor), Keenan Goo (BA, HBIO, EAAS Minor), Ayaka Kimura (BA, EAAS, LHCL), Jinhong Lee (BA, POSC, EAAS Minor), Olivia Lee (BA, PREL, EAAS Minor), Angelina Lim (BA, HBIO, Korean Studies Minor), Khoi Nguyen (BA, BUAD, EAAS Minor), Jonathan Andrew Speas (BA, EAAS, IR), Shaojun Yang (BA, EAAS), Derrick
Yen (BA, EAAS)

**Graduate Students**

Heidi Amin-Hong (PhD, AMST), Jillian Barndt (PhD, HIST), Victoria Ching (PhD, POIR), Ursula Collins-Laine (MA, EAAS), Jesse Drian (PhD, EALC), Kyunghee Eo (PhD, ENGL), Yesenia Hunter (PhD, HIST), Matthew Keller (PhD, REL), Tatyana Kostochka (PhD, PHIL), Ellen Li (MA, EAAS), Yu-Ting Lin (PhD, POIR), Paul Orner (PhD, POIR), John Tang (MA, EAAS), Ka Lee Wong (PhD, EALC), Yingke Yang (MA, EAAS), Songyue Zhang (MA, EAAS)

Student Journal of Asian Studies @ USC

EASC is proud to announce that the inaugural issue of the Student Journal of Asian Studies (SJAS @ USC) is now available! This student-led journal was organized by Emily Austin, Dionee Simmons, and Atharva Tewari with support from EASC to publish graduate and undergraduate research in various disciplines on Asian Studies. This issue includes a foreword written by Professor Youngmin Choe and features articles on Chinese cuisine, Korean science fiction, gender identities in Japanese television, North Korean cinema, and much more! SJAS @ USC provides an interdisciplinary forum for independent student researchers to share their work and contribute to scholarship in Asian studies. For more information about SJAS @ USC, please visit their website and follow them on social media. Please click here to read the first issue!

**EASC Student and Faculty Achievements**

We want to congratulate our affiliated students and faculty on their many achievements this academic year. We are proud to highlight a few of their accomplishments!

**Students**

Chris Chien (PhD, AMST) - Published *Reorienting Hong Kong's Resistance: Leftism, Decoloniality, and Internationalism* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2022)

Donald Collins (MA, EAAS) - Fall 2022 recruit for PhD in Cinema & Media Studies at UCLA

Joe Collins (MA, EAAS) – Conference Presentation on “Evaluating the Significance of Formal Diplomatic Relations for Taiwan” at 2022 Going Global Conference: Agency and Community in Combating Global Challenges

Sam Ikehara (PhD, AMST) - 2022 Best Graduate Student Paper at the Association of Asian American Studies - "The Body in Heat: Race, Relief, and the Tropical Atmosphere"

Miran Oh (PhD, LING)- Voice Building Engineer, Apple Inc.

Minjee Park (BA, AMST) - Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics Emerge: Summer Internship Program

Jaden Stovall (BA, ENGL) - Resident Assistant for USC Bovard Scholars
Sui Wang (MA, EAAS) - Fall 2022 recruit for PhD in Communications at USC
Weidong Wang (MA, EAAS) - Fall 2022 recruit for JD in Northwestern Law School with funding

Faculty
Vinayak Bharne (ARCH) - *Urbanism Beyond 2020* (Oro Editions, 2022)
Mina Chow (ARCH) - “Suspended in a Spectacle: Public Diplomacy at Expo 2020 Dubai” (*Architect’s Newspaper*, 2022)
Rena Heinrich (THTR) - Successfully petitioned the State of California to remove a memorial of eugenicist Madison Grant and rename the Madison-Grant Forest and Elk Refuge in northern California
Benjamin Uchiyama (HIST) - "The 'Oh, Mistake' Incident and Juvenile Delinquency in Defeated Japan" (*Journal of Contemporary History*, 2022)
Jason Webb (COLT, EALC) - "East Asian Bibliographic Traditions and Current Japanese Premodern Archives Studies" in 禁裏・公家文庫研究 Volume 7 (思文閣出版, 2020)
Have a Wonderful Summer!

This year, EASC hosted over 30 in-person and virtual events for our students, faculty, staff and community members. We want to thank you all for connecting with us and attending our events which included our continued professionalization activities such as the Grad Professionalization Series; as well as in-person events such as Japan in the Long 1940s Workshop, EASC Faculty Dinner and Book Launch and the EASC Manuscript Review for Jenny Chio. We also continued the EASC New Book Series on Modern Japan and Sinophone Studies which introduce recent publications to the USC community and the wider public and the series on Race/Solidarity: Transpacific Series and Regulatory Science: East Asian Perspectives. We also hosted a series of one-off talks and co-sponsored a series of events related to the Doheny Library Exhibit on the Silk Road. Please visit the EASC YouTube channel for videos of past events and we look forward to seeing you all again in AY 2022-23!

This is the final issue of the EASC eNewsletter for Academic Year 2021-2022. Our newsletter will return with the Fall 2022 semester. In the meantime, stay connected with the East Asian Studies Center on our EASC Instagram, Facebook, Twitter and YouTube. We hope you have a safe and restful summer and look forward to seeing you on campus in the Fall!

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Events Around USC, CA & Beyond

How to Study the Cultural Revolution by Forgetting About It - Webinar by Yiching Wu
Tuesday, May 17 | 11:30AM - 1:00PM | UCLA Center for Chinese Studies | RSVP

SAMPURU: The Art of Japanese Food Replicas - Presentation by Seigo Kozakai
Tuesday, May 17 | 5:00PM - 6:00PM | Japan House | RSVP

Paper Craft Making by Akihiro Yasugi
Wednesday, May 18 | 7:00PM - 8:00PM | The Japan Foundation | RSVP

Peter Serpico: Learning Korean with Eric Kim
Thursday, May 19 | 3:30PM | The Korea Society | RSVP

Lost LA: From Little Tokyo to Crenshaw
Thursday, May 19 | 7:00PM - 8:30PM | Japanese American National Museum | RSVP

Political Education And Radical Pedagogy
Friday, May 20 | 12:00PM - 1:00PM | UCLA Asian American Studies Center | RSVP

Chasing the Eccentrics: Takashi Murakami in Conversation with Etsuko Price
Friday, May 20 | 4:30PM - 6:30PM | Japan House | RSVP

Screening: May You Stay Forever Young
Saturday, May 21 | 3:30PM - 5:00PM | Hong Kong On Screen | Tickets