

# USC Dornsife *East Asian Studies Center*

eNewsletter

September 18, 2017

THIS ISSUE: EASC FLAS Fellows Reception | FLAS Fellow Victoria Davis | Event Wrap: EASC Grad Mixer | Event Wrap: Japanese Program Mixer | Event Wednesday: Architects of Buddhist Leisure | Event Reminder: Navigating Grad (PhD) Life | Event Reminder: EASC Faculty Luncheon Meeting | Call for Papers | Events Around USC & LA



## EASC FLAS Fellows Reception

**Wednesday, October 11, 2017 | 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM | CAS 100**

USC East Asian Studies Center administers **FLAS fellowships** which are provided by a U.S. Department of Education Title VI grant for undergraduate and graduate study of Mandarin Chinese, Japanese or Korean and East Asian area studies. Each year EASC FLAS Fellows attend programs located in East Asia and across the U.S. and Los Angeles.

We invite our FLAS fellows to join EASC for food and conversation with other FLAS awardees from schools and departments across USC. This is a great opportunity to meet both undergraduate and graduate USC students with East Asia-related language and area studies experiences and skills. Please **RSVP** to attend the reception.

**FLAS FELLOW**

**Victoria Davis**



**Victoria Davis** is a Summer 2017 FLAS Fellow and a second year PhD Student in the East Asian Languages and Cultures Department. She works on premodern and early modern Japanese literature and performance genres. Victoria took advantage of the **FLAS fellowship** to attend the summer language study at the Kyoto Consortium for Japanese Studies (KCJS). She met with EASC to discuss her background, plans for her academic future and how her FLAS award has

aided the advancement of her scholarship. You can read our conversation with Victoria [here](#). To learn more about the FLAS award and the application process, please **RSVP** to the **Fellowship Info Session** which will be held on **Wednesday, November 29 at 5:30pm in Taper Hall 118**.



### EVENT WRAP

## EASC Grad Mixer

Last Wednesday, EASC graduate students focusing on East Asia gathered at CAS 100 to enjoy food, drink and conversation with colleagues in similar East Asia-related fields across USC. This was the best attended EASC Grad Mixer yet! Photos from the event can be viewed [here](#).



### EVENT WRAP

## Japanese Program Mixer

The **Japanese Language Program** held a mixer featuring students who have participated in various USC programs in Japan recently. Summer 2016 **EASC Global East Asia Japan** Scholar Shannon Thielen gave a presentation about the program and shared her experience conducting research on the LGBTQ community

and traveling in Japan. You can view photos from the Mixer [here](#).



### EVENT WEDNESDAY

## Architects of Buddhist Leisure

**Wed, Sept 20 | 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM | ACB 238**

### FLYER

Professor Justin McDaniel's talk will focus on his new book *Architects of Buddhist Leisure*. The book looks closely at the growth of Buddhist leisure culture through a study of modern Buddhist architects who helped design Buddhist

tourist sites, memorial gardens and monuments, museums and cultural centers, and even amusement parks in Nepal, Singapore, Japan, Korea, Laos, Thailand, and Vietnam. It is



designed to start a discussion about the very idea of Buddhist leisure space in modern Asia, question the role of the visionary architect, and look at the rise of Buddhist ecumenicalism.



## EVENT REMINDER

### Navigating Graduate (PhD) Life

**Mon, Sept 25 | 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM | SOS B40  
FLYER | RSVP**

The first **Graduate Student Professionalization** workshop of Fall 2017 - **Navigating Graduate (PhD) Life** - will be led by professors **Brett Sheehan** and **David Kang**. This session will focus on important topics to help organize and manage one's graduate career, such as academic portfolio management, time-management and work/life balance.

The first **Graduate Student Professionalization** workshop of Fall 2017 - **Navigating Graduate (PhD) Life** - will be led by professors **Brett Sheehan** and **David Kang**. This session will focus on important topics to help organize and



## EVENT REMINDER

### Fall 2018 Faculty Luncheon

**Wed, Sept 27 | 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM  
RSVP**

We invite our affiliated faculty to join us at the **EASC Fall 2018 Faculty Luncheon** to hear about the latest activities and news regarding EASC and its community as well as meet and interact with colleagues from different disciplines and research foci. Please **RSVP** at least one week before the event.

We invite our affiliated faculty to join us at the **EASC Fall 2018 Faculty Luncheon** to hear about the latest activities and news regarding EASC and its community as well as meet and interact with colleagues from different

## Call for Papers

**Engaging 'China': Perspectives from the Margins | Oxford China Humanities Graduate Conference**

**Submission Deadline | October 15, 2017**

Graduate students are invited to submit abstracts for the second annual University of Oxford China Humanities Graduate Conference, which takes the theme of 'engagement' in the Chinese context as its point of departure. Papers should work with modern and pre-modern subject material and from all humanistic disciplines, including but not limited to history, literary and cultural studies, art, film and media studies, philosophy, human geography, anthropology, musicology and religion. Visit conference [website](#) or see [flyer](#) for more details.

## Events around USC & LA

**Enduring Truths about North Korea – Talk by David Kang**

Tuesday | September 19 | 1:00 – 2:00 pm | Tutor Campus Center (TCC) 450

**Webinar: Organize Your Research With Citation Managers**

Tuesday | September 19 | 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm | Online

**Cur-ATE: The Japanese Aesthetic - Talk by Maite Gomez-Rejón**

Tuesday | September 19 | 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm | LACMA

Deities in Japanese Art (Session 1: Shinto) - Lecture by Michael VanHartingsveldt

Tuesday | September 19 | 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm | The Japan Foundation

Music in the Huntington Library Chinese Garden

Wednesday | September 20 | 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm | The Huntington Library

USC Global Conference 2017: Creating the Future

Thursday-Saturday | September 21-23 | Grand Hyatt Tokyo

Tai Chi Series at The Huntington Library

Friday-Saturday | September 22-23 | 8:30 am - 10:00 am | The Huntington Library

Pottery from the Three Kingdoms Period of Korea - Talk by Ariane Perrin

Saturday | September 23 | 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm | Ahmanson Center (ACB)

Support EASC

Comments? Questions? Promotion requests?

[easc@dornsife.usc.edu](mailto:easc@dornsife.usc.edu)

---

East Asian Studies Center | 3454 Trousdale Parkway CAS 100 | Los Angeles, CA 90089-0154



**USC**Dornsife

Dana and David Dornsife  
College of Letters, Arts and Sciences

University of Southern California Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences | Los Angeles, CA 90089  
US

This email was sent to [kennylin@usc.edu](mailto:kennylin@usc.edu). To ensure that you continue receiving our emails,  
please add us to your address book or safe list.

**manage** your preferences

**opt out** if you no longer want to receive USC Dornsife E-Communications  
Got this as a forward? **Sign up** to receive our future emails.