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UPCOMING EVENT

Fall 2018 EASC Faculty Luncheon

Tuesday, September 25 | 12:30PM - 2:00PM | University Club | [RSVP](#)

We invite our affiliated faculty to join us at the [Fall 2018 EASC Faculty Luncheon](#) on Tuesday, September 25 to welcome in the new academic year and learn about the latest activities and other news regarding EASC and its community. It is a great opportunity to meet and interact with colleagues from different disciplines with similar research interests.

Please [RSVP](#) at least one week before the event.

New EASC Faculty Members

[EASC](#) welcomes eight new faculty and postdocs this fall. The Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures (EALC) has four new faculty, including Associate Professor **Jenny Chio**, whose research focuses on Chinese media ethnography, race, ethnicity and nationalism; **John Alexander** who is the new EALC Artist in Residence; and two new language lecturers, **Naomi Asakura** for the Japanese Language Program and **Sooran Pak** for the Korean Language Program. In addition, we welcome four new postdocs to the EASC Community!

[Jenny Chio](#) | Associate Professor, East Asian Languages and Cultures

[John Alexander](#) | Artist in Residence, East Asian Languages and Cultures

[Naomi Asakura](#) | Japanese Language Lecturer, East Asian Languages and Cultures

[Sooran Pak](#) | Korean Language Lecturer, East Asian Languages and Cultures

[Eunbin Chung](#) | Postdoctoral Scholar, Korean Studies Institute
Research: Political psychology, conflict resolution, international relations of East Asia

[Manfred Elfstrom](#) | Postdoctoral Scholar/Teaching Fellow, Center for International Studies
Research: Political impact of China's rising labor unrest

[Yu-Kang Fan](#) | Dornsife Postdoctoral Scholar/Teaching Fellow, Sociology
Research: Asian immigrants, gendered caregiving, Asian student migrants

[Sachiko Kawai](#) | Postdoctoral Scholar, History
Research: Ancient and Premodern Japanese History

EVENT WEDNESDAY EASC Grad Mixer

Wed, Sept 12 | 5:00PM-6:30PM | CAS 100

The [Fall 2018 EASC Grad Mixer](#) is this Wednesday in CAS 100! Graduate students focusing on East Asia can enjoy food, drink and conversation with fellow students across USC. Graduate students from any field are welcome to join. This is a great opportunity to meet students with similar East Asia-related research interests from a variety of academic fields across USC.



EVENT REMINDERS



EASC UnderGrad Mixer

Thurs, Sept 20 | 5:00PM-6:00PM | CAS 100
RSVP

EASC invites undergraduates to the [Fall 2018 Undergrad Mixer](#). Undergraduate students pursuing an EAAS Major and EAAS/Korean Studies Minor will have the opportunity to engage with other East Asian Studies peers. Students will also meet EASC Director Professor Brett Sheehan and the EASC team. Please [RSVP](#) if you would like to attend.

Navigating Grad (PhD) Life

Mon, Sept 24 | 12:00PM - 1:00PM | SOS B40
FLYER | RSVP

The first [Graduate Student Professionalization](#) workshop of Fall 2018 - [Navigating Grad \(PhD\) Life](#) - will be led by professors **Brett Sheehan** and **Saori Katada**. 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.



EVENT WRAP



Global East Asia Japan Reunion

EASC's [Global East Asia](#) Japan scholars return to USC from their Maymester study abroad program in Japan. The center hosted a reunion dinner last Tuesday at CAS 100. It was wonderful hearing about everyone's research projects and adventures, such as their trips to Hiroshima and Lake Yamanaka and the amazing food they ate in Kyoto and Tokyo. Our scholars were able to get hands-on research experience on topics related to societal norms and diversity in Japan. Check out the [GEA Japan Blog](#) for details about their travels and research and view photos from the GEA Japan Reunion [here](#).



EASC at Fall Study Abroad Fair

USC's Fall 2018 Study Abroad Fair took place last Thursday on Trousdale Parkway. [EASC](#) staff met with students interested in studying abroad and conducting research in China and Japan, and to promote the [EASC Global East Asia Info Session](#) on Thursday, October 18, 2018. Photos from the Study Abroad Fair can be viewed [here](#).



Migrant Voices Between Korea and China Symposium

It was a full house at the "Migrant Voices Between Korea and China Symposium" which took place last Friday. It featured presentations by faculty and students providing historical context for the *Song of Arirang* as well as a reading by **Choen Unyeong** and **Jinim Park**, respectively writer and translator of *Farewell, Circus*. More photos from the event can be viewed [here](#).

Call for Papers and Discussants

Deadline: Friday, October 5, 2018 | [FLYER](#)

[2019 USC KSI Graduate Symposium](#) aims to professionalize graduate students, nurture their scholarship, and create interdisciplinary networks of Ph.D. students working on research related to Korea, East Asia, and/or Asian diasporas. The symposium provides students from various institutions with the chance to meet and share research in progress with their peers and participating faculty. In addition, participants will engage in workshops that will build their professional and research skills. Graduate students from any department and any university, especially in California, are encouraged to submit paper proposals or serve as discussants. See [flyer](#) for more details.

Scholarship Opportunity

Deadline: Friday, October 5, 2018 | [FLYER](#)

The 5th Annual Women's Leadership Counts Conference is sponsored by the Japan America Society of Southern California. The conference will be held Thursday, November 8, 2018 and students are welcome to apply for scholarships to attend the conference! Both undergraduate

and graduate students are welcome to apply. Please see the attached [flyer](#) for more information and for the link to the [application](#).

Events around USC & LA

[USC Marshall China Workshop - Presentation by Shui Yan Tang](#)

Tuesday, September 11 | 11:00AM - 12:00PM | ACC 312

[Connecting Art & Faith - Demonstration by Haji Noor Deen](#)

Thursday, September 13 | 4:00PM - 5:30PM | USC Office of Religious Life

[Kaiju vs. Heroes-Mark Nagata's Journey Through the World of Japanese Toys](#)

Saturday, September 15 | 11:00AM - 5:00PM | Japanese American National Museum

[Film Screening of THE REGISTRY and Discussion with Bill Kubota and Steve Ozone](#)

Saturday, September 15 | 3:00PM - 5:00PM | TCC 227

[Violinist Yueun Kim and Pianist Sung Chang Concert](#)

Sunday, September 16 | 6:00PM | LACMA

[U.S.-China Workshop: Prudent or Protectionist? Analyzing Trump's Trade Policy with China](#)

Monday, September 17 | 7:00PM - 8:30PM | Nixon Library

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Comments? Questions? Promotion requests?

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