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# *East Asian Studies Center*

January 23, 2023

## **A message from the USC Asian Pacific Islander Faculty and Staff Association**

Our hearts are breaking for the victims, families and our entire community who are affected by the deadly mass shooting last Saturday night in Monterey Park. A holiday of joyful celebration was turned into a period of mourning by a senseless act of violence. The **Asian Pacific Islander Faculty and Staff Association** Executive Board will host a virtual space for listening and support today from 2:00-3:00pm.

Please use the link below if you want to join the APIFSA virtual space for listening and support. **Zoom Link** >

If you need additional support, please contact the Campus Support and Intervention team at [uscsupport@usc.edu](mailto:uscsupport@usc.edu) or call 213-740-0411.



## **EASC Postdoc Spotlight: Li-Ping Chen**

EASC is excited to celebrate our postdoctoral scholar, **Li-Ping Chen** and her upcoming projects this Spring Semester! Dr. Chen will be presenting her paper, "What Kind of a Taiwanese Are You?: National Longing, Cultural Belonging, and Inter-Imperial Forces from Manchukuo to North America" at the **2023 Association for Asian Studies Conference**, and a paper on "Educational Activism and Community Leadership of Theodore Hsi-en Chen (1902-1991)" at the **2023 Association for Asian American Studies Conference**. She will also be working with the USC Libraries on an exhibition of **Theodore Hsi-en Chen**. Please see below for the exciting events that commemorate and celebrate Dr. Theodore Chen's academic achievements and legacy at USC.

## **Dr. Theodore Hsi-en Chen (1902-1991): Chinese American Education Pioneer and Founder of East Asian Studies at USC**

Dr. Theodore Hsi-en Chen (1902-1991) was the first professor of Chinese descent at the University of Southern California. He was Professor of Education, Chair of the Department of Asian Studies (predecessor to the Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures ) in 1941-1968; Founding Director of the East Asian Studies Center at USC in 1960-1971; and was elected President of the China Society of Southern California for 1942-1944, the country's oldest Sino-American organization of its kind. This exhibition, co-organized by Li-Ping Chen (Postdoctoral Scholar and Teaching Fellow, East Asian Studies Center, USC) and Tang Li (Acting Head and Chinese Studies Librarian, USC's East Asian Library), is in association with a Scalar project (coming soon!) and a panel discussion about Dr. Chen's life and legacy hosted by USC Libraries on April 18, 2023.

### **Exhibition Opening**

**Friday, February 17 | 2:00-3:30pm | East Asian Seminar Room (DML 110C)**

### **Panel Discussion**

**Tuesday, April 18 | 2:00-3:30pm | Lecture Hall (DML 240)**

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## **LAST CALL!**

### **USC Student Journal of Asian Studies**

There is still time to join the **USC Student Journal of Asian Studies** (SJAS@USC)! SJAS is a student-run journal created by **Emmy Austin**, **Dionee Simmons** and **Atharva Tewari** to publish undergraduate and graduate research in various disciplines in Asian studies. They are currently looking for peer reviewers and publication submissions. Applicants from any major/minor or department are welcome to apply! For more details on formatting guidelines and expectations, please see the **SJAS website** and find them on Instagram **@uscsjas**.



Peer Reviewer Applications are due **January 30, 2023!** **Apply Here** ►

Paper Submissions for 2022-23 are due **January 30, 2023!** **Submit Here** ►

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## **EVENT REMINDERS**

### **Special Guest Lecture: Sheldon Garon**

**Friday, January 27 | 4:00PM-5:30PM | SOS 250**

Prof. Benjamin Uchiyama invites the EASC community to an event with **Sheldon Garon**, the Nissan Professor of History and East Asian Studies at Princeton



University.

[Learn more >](#)

[RSVP](#)

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## OPPORTUNITIES

### Third Cultural Exchange Program

**Deadline: February 19**

[Flyer](#) | [Handbook](#)

The Bridge Cultural Exchange Academy at USC is organizing a six weeks program that will expose participants, both USC and international students, the opportunity to learn the power dynamic and inequality

between different identities, as well as establish meaningful bonds with like-minded peers around the world. Along with remarkable guest lecturers and panel speakers (listed in the Handbook attached), we believe that participants will be encouraged to further increase their awareness regarding issues related to cultural appreciation, and ultimately create a more inclusive and friendly community. [Learn more >](#)



### Council of American Overseas Research Centers

**Deadline: February 6**

The [CAORC - National Endowment for the Humanities Research Fellowship](#) provides the opportunity for scholars to spend significant time in a country at an Overseas Research Center. The fellowship supports advanced research in the humanities or research that embraces a humanistic approach and methods. US scholars who hold a PhD and also foreign national scholars who have been a resident in the US for at least three years are eligible. Fellowship stipends are \$5,000 per month for four to six consecutive months. Fields of study include, but are not limited to, history, philosophy, religious studies, linguistics, languages, literature, literary criticism, and visual and performing arts. [Learn more >](#)

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## Events Around USC, CA & Beyond

[Xiao Rao, The Mirth of Enlightenment: Tales of Su Shi and Encounter Dialogues in Middle Period China](#)

Mon, Jan 23 | 4:00PM-5:30PM | UCI School of Humanities

A Very Asian Guide to Korean Food with Michelle Li

Tues, Jan 24 | 3:00PM-4:00PM | The Korea Society | [RSVP](#)

Buddhist Funerals or Confucian Funerals?

Thurs, Jan 16 | 6:00PM | UCLA Center for Korean Studies | [RSVP](#)

Designing with Disaster | Stories from Seven Regenerative Cities Exhibition  
Friday, Jan 27 | 11:00AM-7:00PM | JAPAN HOUSE

Golden Dragon Lunar New Parade

Sat, Jan 28 | 1:00PM-5:00PM | CultureLA

Who Is My Neighbor? Allyship Then and Now

Sat, Jan 28 | 2:00PM-3:30PM | Japanese American National Museum | [RSVP](#)

Global Japan Forum 2023 | Designing with Disaster  
Sat, Jan 28 | 2:00PM-5:00PM | JAPAN HOUSE | [RSVP](#)

Alhambra Lunar New Year Festival

Sun, Jan 29 | 9:00AM-6:00PM | CultureLA

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