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UPCOMING EVENT

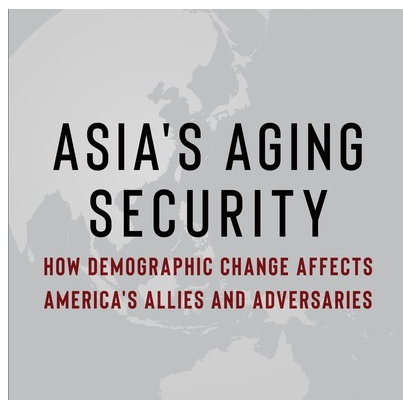
EASC Guest Speaker Series: China's Domestic Politics Beyond Water's Edge: BRI and China's Fragmented Foreign Policy

Monday, October 13 | 2:00PM-4:50PM | ASC 207 | RSVP

Prof. **Stanley Rosen** invites the wider community to an event with Prof. **Andrew Mertha** (Johns Hopkins University) to discuss the complexities of China's Belt and Road Initiative and what it reveals about the country's global ambitions. China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) is often seen as a unified strategy to expand the country's global influence. In this talk, Prof. Mertha challenges that view by showing how China's fragmented and decentralized domestic politics shape, and at times complicate, its foreign policy and soft power ambitions. Using case studies from Nicaragua, Myanmar, Ghana, and Cambodia, he highlights how local political dynamics within China spill across borders, reshaping the impact of the BRI and raising new questions about the nature of China's rise.

This event is co-sponsored by the **U.S.-China Institute**, **Center on Public Diplomacy**, and **Center for International Studies**.

Event Reminders



EASC Guest Speaker Series

Asia's Aging Security: How Demographic Change Affects America's Allies and Adversaries

Fri, Oct 3 | 12:00PM-1:30PM | SOS B40

Prof. **Saori Katada** invites Prof. **Andrew Oros** for a talk on the major demographic transitions that are underway in Asia and the Pacific and how they will affect regional security dynamics and the United States-led alliance structure in the Indo-Pacific.

RSVP



EASC Guest Speaker Series Bilingual Authorship and Self-Translation: Publishing in Chinese & English

Tues, Oct 7 | 11:00AM-12:30PM | Zoom

Prof. **Brian Bernards** invites **Jianan Qian** to share her experiences writing and publishing in both Chinese and English, reflecting on the challenges and creative possibilities of bilingual authorship.

A Zoom meeting link will be emailed to those who **RSVP**.

RSVP

Opportunities

Assistant Professor of Modern Japanese History

The **Department of History at Ohio State University** is seeking applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor in Modern Japanese History, beginning August 15, 2026. The successful candidate will teach undergraduate survey courses on East Asian history (Japan, China, Korea), as well as thematic courses in premodern and modern Japanese history. They will also offer undergraduate and graduate seminars in their area of expertise and contribute actively to the department's research profile and intellectual community. Applicants must hold a Ph.D. in modern Japanese history by the start date (ABDs welcome to apply). Candidates should demonstrate strong research potential, proficiency in relevant languages, and a commitment to excellent teaching. **Learn more here** ➤



Events Around USC & LA

The Irei Project: Building a Buddhist Monument to the WWII Japanese American Incarceration

Tues, Sep 30 | 12:30PM-1:30PM | School of Religion

AGFA Movie Hooky Club IMAX Matinee Screening: EGG (2005)

Tues, Sep 30 | 3:00PM | Cinematic Arts | **RSVP**

2025 K-Cinema Touring with Director Kim Tae Yong @ USC

Tues, Sep 30 | 7:00PM-10:00PM | Korean Cultural Center in Los Angeles | **RSVP**

In Conversation: Elaine Hsieh Chou

Wed, Oct 1 | 11:00AM-12:00PM | Dept of American Studies & Ethnicity

North Korea's Mundane Revolution, 1953-1965

Thurs, Oct 2 | 4:00PM | UCLA Center for Korean Studies

The Geography of Injustice: East Asia's Battle between Memory and History

Thurs, Oct 2 | 5:00PM-6:30PM | Modern Japan History Association | [RSVP](#)

Camp "Left-Overs": What Issei and Nisei Family Survivors Passed Down

Sat, Oct 4 | 2:00PM-3:30PM | Japanese American National Museum | [RSVP](#)

Double Feature: *Jeanne Córdova: Butches, Lies & Feminism & Paradise (2023):*

Revisiting South Korea's Gay/Queer Pasts

Sat, Oct 4 | 7:00PM-9:00PM | ONE Institute | [RSVP](#)

2025 Mid-Autumn Festival

Mon, Oct 6 | 3:00PM-5:00PM | Annenberg | [RSVP](#)



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