



Love to Nippon 2014

3.11 Memorial Event

Lessons Learned from the March 11th Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami

Saturday, March 8, 2014

**LAPD Headquarters - Ronald F. Deaton Civic Auditorium
100 West First Street, Los Angeles, California**

1:00 - 3:00 pm Outdoor activities introducing Fukushima & various booth presentations
1:30 - 2:30 pm Shinto Ceremony, Interfaith Service, Prayers, Flower & Incense Offerings
3:00 - 5:00 pm Memorial Program at Ronald F. Deaton Civic Auditorium

Theme: The Third Anniversary of Japan's Worst Natural Disaster & Lessons from Fukushima for Southern California to Share with Children and Families in our Community

Program

Outside: 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Booths by Fukushima, Miyagi and Iwate Kenjinkai of SC, Red Cross, A Plus Survival Supply, LACFD and UACG
Shinto Ceremony by Shusse Inari Jinja, Interfaith Service by Nikkei Interfaith Fellowship Group of Little Tokyo (NIFGLT) & Los Angeles Buddhist Temple Federation (LABTTF)
Flowers & Incense Offering

We encourage you to bring flowers only (incense will be provided)

Inside: 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Convocation by Union Church of Los Angeles & Cantor Rebekah Mirsky
Memorial Programs with Grateful Crane Ensemble, Kitakami Elementary School Students of Miyagi Prefecture, L.A. Daiku, Holiness Youth Choir, The Delegation from Fukushima Prefecture of Japan, Los Angeles County Fire Department Battalion Chief and first responder in Japan, Consulate-General of Japan in Los Angeles and others

Co-presented by Fukushima Kenjinkai, Nichi-Bei Fujin Kai (NBFK),
Japan America Society of Southern California (JASSC) LOVE TO NIPPON PROJECT

Seating is limited. Early registration are recommended, which can be made at:

www.jas-socal.org

Memorial Program (tentative draft as of 3/03)

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Emcees: Janet LeBlanc & Jennifer Usyak

Convocation: Reverend Timothy Yee, *Union Church of Los Angeles* and Cantor Rebekah Mirsky

National Anthems: Japan and United States of America by Grateful Crane Ensemble

Welcome: Deputy Chief Terry S. Hara, *Los Angeles Police Department* and Chairman, *Japan America Society of Southern California*

Welcome: Chief Daryl L. Osby, *Los Angeles County Fire Department*

Performances: Video Presentation by Kitakami Elementary School students of Miyagi Prefecture of Japan - Kitakami Elementary School Song (Lyrics written by Ms. Satoko Sato & composed by Mr. Mitsuhiro Sakakibara)
L.A. Daiku
Holiness Youth Choir.

Special Presentations: Larry Collins, *Battalion Chief, Los Angeles County Fire Department* and *first responder in Japan*, David Stone, *Assistant Fire Chief of Los Angeles County Fire Department* report on what Los Angeles is doing to prepare for earthquake and tsunami.

Questions and Answers with Masako Unoura-Tanaka, Founder of LOVE TO NIPPON PROJECT & others

Application Letter by Mr. Yuhei Sato, Governor, *Fukushima Prefecture, Japan*

Special Reports from the Representatives of Fukushima: Professor Yasuo Goto, *Fukushima University*, Hiroko Aihara, *Fukushima native Journalist*, Fumiko Suzuki, *President of Fukushima Association of Organizations & Fukushima Chapter in charge of International Women's Association*, Michi Ishikawa, *President of Nihonmatsushi Women's Association*, Setsuko Takahashi, *member of International Women's Education Association*, Mako Suzuki, *Junior High School Student, Aizu-Gakuho*.

Panel discussion with local community members: Deputy Chief Terry S. Hara, *Los Angeles Police Department*, Darrel Miho of *Ai Love Japan*, Mike Kamimoto, *President, Nanka Fukushima Kenjinkai*, Douglas Erber, *President, Japan America Society of Southern California*.

Los Angeles City Officials

Appreciation remarks: The Honorable Jun Niimi, Consulate-General of Japan in Los Angeles

Closing: Douglas Erber, *President, Japan America Society of Southern California* and Masako Unoura-Tanaka, *Founder, LOVE TO NIPPON PROJECT*

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3.11 Anniversary Memorial Event & Request for Support

Japan America Society of Southern California (JASSC), Nanka Fukushima Kenjinkai, Nichi-Bei Fujin Kai (NBFK) and Love to Nippon Project (LTNP) humbly request your participation in the Love to Nippon 2014 - 3.11 Anniversary Memorial Event on Saturday, March 8, 2014, starting at 1:00 pm at LAPD Headquarters in downtown Los Angeles.

People in Los Angeles will never forget the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami disaster in Tohoku, Japan on March 11, 2011. Along the coastline, thousands of people lost their lives with many of the survivors still living in temporary pre-fabricated houses. They are also waiting for their missing loved ones and family members. It will take a long time before their community-oriented way of life is restored, one filled with smiles and vitality. We would like to ask for your continued prayers and support for the children, the elderly, the farmers, the fishermen and all the people in Tohoku.

Exactly one year after the disaster, first Love to Nippon 2012 took place at the LAPD Headquarters. It was co-presented by Doug Erber, President of JASSC; Masako Unoura, Founder of LOVE TO NIPPON PROJECT and a tsunami survivor. The participants included Terry Hara from LAPD, Nishi Hongwanji Temple, Higashi Hongwanji Temple, JASSC, Asia America Symphony Association, the LA County Fire Department, Consulate General of Japan Los Angeles, as well as many other presenters, organizations and volunteers. David Ono, ABC7 news anchor, acted as Master of Ceremonies. (www.KABC7.com).

Love to Nippon 2013 took place again at LAPD Headquarters on March 10, 2013 with a special Interfaith Service by Los Angeles Buddhist Temple Federation (LABTF) and Nikkei Interfaith Fellowship outside area.

Love to Nippon is a community-wide tribute in Los Angeles for loved-ones lost, and for those still suffering from the March 11 catastrophes. This anniversary memorial will be a peaceful commemoration of the disaster where attendees will be encouraged to place flowers or incense in loving remembrance of the victims, families and friends of Tohoku.

We, Love to Nippon Project along with supporters have the following goals:

- 1) We will never forget the Great East Japan Earthquakes and Tsunami by meeting and praying every year around 3.11 at LAPD Headquarters for ten years.***
- 2) We will continue prayers and dialogues among the participants & children, especially to share the lessons learned from 3.11 Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami.***
- 3) We will support efforts to train ourselves for future natural disasters by sharing & educating our community, making 3.11 the official evacuation training day for Southern California.***

Love to Nippon 2014 Committee

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Cooperating Organizations (As of February 2014)

AAJUW (American Association of Japanese University Women), Duke Nomura, City of Commerce Flowers, Fukuhara Inc. Photography, Consulate General of Japan in Los Angeles, Los Angeles Police Department, L.A. Daiku Association, Inc., Los Angeles Buddhist Temple Federation (LABTF), Nikkei Interfaith Fellowship, Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Southern California, Japanese Prefectural Association of Southern California (Nanka Kenjinkai Kyogikai), Los Angeles Holiness Church, LA Tokyo Kai, Nikkei Choral Federation of Southern California, Pasadena Seminar, Aurora Foundation, Union Church of Los Angeles, Holiness Youth Choir, Andean Dream Quinoa Products, Global Organization of Leadership & Diversity(GOLD), H2N, Nanka Iwate Kenjinkai, Nanka Miyagi Kenjinkai, Magicbell Communications, Inc, Marina del Rey Library, ICU Alumni Club of Southern California, Rikkyo University Alumni Association, Ofunato Support Network Center, Walk the Farm, Orange Coast Optimist Club, Nanka Yamaguchi Kenjinkai, Tanabata Festival, Grateful Crane, Japanese American National Museum, Shadows for Peace, Nisei Week Foundation, Nikkei Games, Games for the Generations, Japanese Women's Society of Southern California, Little Tokyo service Center, A Plus Survival Supply, Walk the Farm, Orange Coast Optimist Club, Nanka Yamaguchi Kenjinkai, Tanabata Festival, Tanaka Farms, American Red Cross in Los Angeles, LANSCA, Grateful Crane, Japan Business Association of Southern California (JBA)