

Japan-America Society of Pennsylvania

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We are thankful for you!

During this month of gratitude, we'd like to take a moment to thank all of you for your support during this challenging year!

You - our members, sponsors, and friends - are both the how and the why of our programs. Each of you presents a different window onto the importance of the U.S.-Japan relationship, person-to-person. Thank you for bringing that perspective to the people of Western Pennsylvania.

We wish you a happy and healthy end to 2020!

Craft Beer Connection: Pennsylvania, Japan and the Business of Beer

Over the past decade, craft brewers in the U.S. have exploded onto the beer market. Japan's craft boom is just starting, but both have become big business. This event will explore the impact and opportunities created by this exciting industry all while sampling their products. Grab a drink and network virtually with us after the panel discussion!

The Japan America Society of Greater Philadelphia in partnership with the Japan-America Society of Pennsylvania will present this program in both Philadelphia and Pittsburgh with support from

Pennsylvania Commerce Department and media partner Philadelphia Business Journal.

Registration is required on the [JASGP website](#). JASP members can find their discount code in our [member section](#) starting on Monday, November 2.

Register now!



The 2020 Virtual Annual Dinner was a success! Thank you to all those of you who watched along with us!



November Educational Resources

11月、霜月



The ancient name for November is shimotsuki(霜月)which means the month of frost. It is the start of winter, and the leaves will reach their peak colors.

[See more on the Japan in the Schools page.](#)

Upcoming Webinars from the National Association of Japan-America Societies Network

November 2, 7:00 PM:

[Global Investment Outlook: The View from America and Japan](#) (JAS Washington)

November 4, 7:00 PM:

[Shoplifters, Hirokazu Koreeda Virtual Film Series 2](#) (University of Pittsburgh)

November 5, 6:00 PM:

[7th Annual Women's Leadership Counts VIRTUAL Conference - "Activating Your Kaizen Mindset"](#) (JAS Southern CA)

November 5, 7:00 PM:

[In Conversation: Portrayals of Women in Anime and Manga](#) (JAS Tennessee)

November 6, 8:00 PM:

[Soba Noodle & Japanese Whisky Master Class](#) (JS Northern CA)

November 9, 7:00 PM:

[Women in Japanese Contemporary Literary Fiction](#) (JAS Tennessee)

November 12, 6:00 PM:

[Celebration of Pioneers from Japan in Greater Cincinnati](#) (JAS Greater Cincinnati)

November 12, 4:00 PM:

[Becoming Leaders: The Power of Authenticity, Mentors, and Role Models](#) (JAS Tennessee)

November 13, 5:00 PM:

[Munakata Shiko and Arthur Flory's Creative Exchange Through Printmaking](#) (JAS Greater Philadelphia)

November 19, 6:00 PM:

[A Conversation with Ambassador Shinsuke Sugiyama](#) (JAS Dallas/Fort Worth)

November 19, 6:00 PM:

[Art in the US-Japan Relationship, A Curator's Perspective](#) (JAS Georgia)

Upcoming Film Events at the University of Pittsburgh

November 4, 7:00 PM:

[Shoplifters, Hirokazu Koreeda Virtual Film Series 2](#)

November 8, 6:00 PM:

Anime Night at the Drive In

[Lu Over the Wall and And Promare Double Feature](#)

Virtual Japanese-English Reading Circle

The Japanese-English Reading Circle is held on the first and third Saturdays of the month. Members discuss Japanese- and English- language readings with each other as well as play vocabulary games in their second language.



Upcoming Dates

- Saturday, November 7, 5:00-6:30 PM
- Saturday, November 21, 5:00-6:30 PM
- Saturday, December 12, 5:00-6:30 PM

Visit the [Facebook](#) group for more information.

***Kuruma ningyo* performances on YouTube**

Hachioji Kuruma Ningyo is a puppet theater company based in the Hachioji neighborhood of Tokyo. The company was named an Intangible Cultural Asset by the city of Tokyo and an Intangible Folk Custom Cultural Asset by the Japanese government.

The use of small carts, *kuruma*, allows one puppeteer to manipulate each puppet, unlike *bunraku*, which several puppeteers for each puppet. They have made several [performance videos](#) available for everyone to enjoy from home during this COVID era.



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