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Wednesday, October 28, 2015
Bellevue City Hall
City Council Chambers
450 110th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA 98004

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Agenda

5:00 Pre-Program Reception
   Appetizers by Nola Nevers Catering
   Welcome Remarks
      Dale L. Watanabe, Executive Director
         Japan-America Society of the State of Washington
      Brad Miyake, City Manager
         City of Bellevue
      Kelly Ogilvie, Moderator
         Office of the Governor

5:45 Program Begins
   Opening Remarks
      Michiya Yashiro, President
         Japan Business Association of Seattle
      Consul General Masahiro Omura
         Consulate General of Japan

6:00 Keynote Commences     Dr. Daisuke Kitazawa
6:20 Panelist Discussion
      Kenji Ushimaru, Susan Petty, Perry Edwards
6:50 Q&A/Discussion with Panelists and Audience
   Concluding Remarks
      Hiroko Huntoon, Chair
         Japan-America Society of the State of Washington

7:30 Program Concludes
7:35 Post-Program Networking Reception
8:30 Reception Concludes

The Society
Cordially invites you to our
Holiday Celebration
Dinner & Auction

Wednesday, December 2, 2015
Auction Opens at 5:00 pm
Dinner at 7:00 pm

The Bell Harbor International Conference Center
International Promenade
2211 Alaskan Way, Pier 66

Please register by October at 31" for Early Bird Special
http://jassw.org/events/
Greetings from the Governor

October 28, 2015


Many of you know that I just led a Washington trade mission to Japan and Korea. In Japan, we visited our sister state Hyogo Prefecture and continued on to Nagoya and Tokyo. Japan and Washington State have a number of shared interests, such as earthquake and tsunami preparedness strategies, strengthening existing technological and industrial partnerships and reducing carbon pollutions to curb global warming and severe climate related events for our children and grandchildren.

I would like to welcome our keynote speaker, Professor Daisuke Kitazawa of the University of Tokyo, and thank all of the panelists. Your presence here today, and the knowledge you share, will help create the space for new ideas to take root. I applaud the Japan-America Society of the State of Washington, the Japan Business Association of Seattle, and the Jackson School and Foster School at the University of Washington for making this important event possible.

Thank you all for coming. I hope your discussions will result in business partnerships that promote the rapid development of new renewable energy projects in Japan, which will create opportunities for young people in Japan as well as Washington State.

Very truly yours,

Jay Inslee
Governor
Keynote Speaker

Dr. Daisuke Kitazawa
Associate Professor, Department of Mechanical and Biofunctional Systems, Institute of Industrial Science, University of Tokyo

Dr. Kitazawa’s Marine Ecosystem Engineering Lab launched in 2002 at the University of Tokyo, focusing on the study of marine food and energy production and ecosystem preservation. Their work at the lab addresses the wide variety of environmental problems that exist in the world’s lakes and coastal areas, and their research is centered on developing hydrodynamic and ecosystem coupled models to understand the physical, chemical, and biological processes in aquatic environments. They have developed hydrodynamic and ecosystem coupled models for Tokyo Bay, Lake Biwa, Lake Kasumigaura, Lake Ikeda, and the Caspian Sea.

In 2007 the lab began to study aquacultural engineering and took part in an offshore submerged aquaculture project to develop an underwater feeding system. Their aim is to improve and develop the automatic feeding of marine animals. Working together with many universities, institutes, and private companies, in 2012 they began to study marine renewable technology and are now developing a motion-controlled ship by wave energy and an innovative wave energy device. Environmental impact assessment of marine renewable energy devices is also a key study issue in the laboratory.

Upcoming Community Events

The UW Japan Studies Program Presents: Sustaining Japan

Friday October 30th
11:30am-1:00pm
317 Thompson Hall
University of Washington

Lack of natural resources, environmental pollution, an aging population, and over crowding of cities are just some of the issues currently plaguing Japan. In a serious look at how to prepare for Japan's future, the Japan Studies Program at the University of Washington is proud to present a talk by Dr. Hiroshi Komiyama, as part of a new series addressing sustainability issues from Japan's past, present, and future.

Saturday, October 31st
10:00am-11:30am
Nissei Veterans Committee Hall
1212 South King Street, Seattle, 98104

Free Film Screening: Stories from Tohoku

After debuting in several film festivals around the US and Japan, the uplifting documentary Stories from Tohoku has finally come to Seattle. The film shows the efforts of several Japanese-Americans who rallied to aid the Tohoku region recovery after the disaster of March 11, 2011 as well as the undying spirit of Japanese survivors. Director Dianne Fukami and producer Debra Nakatomi – both third-generation Japanese-Americans – portray the disaster through the unique lens of the Japanese-American experience.

Wednesday, December 2nd
5:00pm-9:15pm
Bell Harbor International Conference Center

Japan-America Society of the State of Washington Holiday Celebration Dinner & Auction

December is just around the corner and so is the Japan-America Society's annual Holiday Celebration! With trips, entertainment packages, antiques, and more, our Auction is a great chance to find holiday gifts for the people in your life! Bring your friends, family, and co-workers out to a fun-filled night that supports the efforts of Japan-America Society - especially our educational programs Japan-in-the-Schools and America-in-the-Schools. Come support JASSW and celebrate our Society’s 92 years of educational and cultural outreach, business support, and community involvement.
The mission of JASSW is to promote mutual understanding and friendship between the peoples of Japan and Washington State by providing a forum for the exchange of ideas and information.

JASSW was founded on July 24, 1923 by leaders from Seattle’s business, academic, and diplomatic communities. Except for a brief period during World War II, our organization has remained active in fostering Japan - Washington State trade, business and cultural activities, and maintains a close relationship with key government and private organizations, such as the Consulate - General of Japan Business Association of Seattle.

Today, we maintain a diverse membership of Japanese and American corporations and individuals from throughout the state and provide varied programs that built positive US - Japan relations. The society is one of 38 independent members of the National Association of Japan - America Societies.

Until the 1980’s, JASSW was run entirely by volunteers; today, our staff consists of four full-time professionals and our Board of Directors is headed by an annually elected Chair and composed of local and state leaders in business, government, education and the arts.

For more information about the Japan America Society of the State of Washington, please visit: jassw.org

Panel Moderator

Kelly Ogilvie
Senior Policy Advisor, Office of Governor Jay Inslee

Mr. Ogilvie is the founder of Blue Marble Biomaterials, LLC, whose mission is to help create a renewable economy by replacing petroleum-based chemicals with fully sustainable, zero-carbon, specialty chemicals. He has extensive planning, strategy and outreach experience from over a decade of work in politics and finance. His wide range of experience extends from working for the Mayor of Seattle Greg Nickels, former Washington State Governor Gary Locke, national and local campaigns, Paul Allen’s Vulcan, and the Greater Seattle Chamber of Commerce. He currently serves as the Senior Policy Advisor on Jobs and Economic Development to Governor Jay Inslee.

Welcome

Masahiro Omura
Consul General
Consulate General of Japan in Seattle

Masahiro Omura, prior to assuming the post of Consul General of Japan in Seattle, served as Deputy Director General of the National Institute of Public Administration, NPA. Previous assignments include the International Unit at ESRI, the Japanese Mission to International Organizations in Vienna, the Japan Institute of International Affairs, TICAD II, the Second Africa Division of MOFA, and Embassies in Kenya, Washington, DC, and Jakarta. Mr. Omura has written a number of academic research papers in the field of economics. He is a graduate of Yale University Graduate School (MA in International Relations) and University of Tokyo (BA in Public Law).
Perry England is the Vice President of Building Performance at MacDonald-Miller Facility Solutions. He has been actively involved in making building systems work since 1985 as a building systems commissioning technician while in college at the University of Tennessee. His focus at MacDonald-Miller includes helping commercial building owners identify and implement energy efficiency investments which pay for themselves through guaranteed operational savings. These investments save energy and water, support sustainability objectives of the community, improve comfort in the built environment and create skilled, family-wage jobs.

Perry’s career has encompassed both industrial and commercial applications from a practicing engineer for the Department of Energy facilities in Oak Ridge, Tennessee to managing the construction business in the Pacific Northwest for a leading building technology manufacturer. He is a founding member and acting Treasurer of the Seattle 2030 District, Executive Committee Member for Emerald Cities Seattle and Board of Director and Treasurer for the Northwest Energy Efficiency Council. He also serves as an advisor to Governor Jay Inslee’s Carbon Pollution Accountability efforts.

Japan Business Association of Seattle

JBAS, sometimes known, as Shunju Club is a consortium of Japanese corporations and/or their subsidiary companies incorporated in the United States. The start of the Association can be traced back to the year of 1922 and, since then, the organization has been acting in the Pacific Northwest Region as the representing entity of Japanese enterprises.

The purposes of the organization was set to promote friendship and find common interests among the members to improve the educational environment for their children, as well as to promote good will and contribute to the local communities. One of the most important aims of the JBA has been the establishment of a Japanese school for the education of the children of its members, where teaching would be carried out in precise compliance with the Japanese curricula set by the government of Japan. This would allow Japanese children living in America to be able to smoothly transition into the Japanese school system when their families returned to Japan.

Website: http://jbaseattle.org
The Michael G. Foster School of Business at the University of Washington is one of the top business schools in the country with a world-class faculty, superior student experience, business connections and numerous opportunities for career advancement.

The Foster School is the second oldest institution of management education on the West Coast and consistently ranks among the top business schools in the United States.

The vision and mission of the Foster School of Business is to create opportunities for students through programs that place special emphasis on leadership, strategic thinking, and entrepreneurship and provide them with a transformational learning experience. As a public business school, Foster is committed to access and community engagement.

**Leadership Panel**

**Kenji Ushimaru**
President, Infra Innovations and JETRO Senior Advisor

“Clean Water and Clean Energy for a Greener Planet.”

Infra Innovations, Inc. is a group of dedicated technicians and engineers whose mission is to provide good stewardship of the Earth through science and technology. They work across the globe to inspect underground utility infrastructure and repair leaks and corrosion in structures such as extreme high voltage electric cables and water supply systems. They also work in countries like Southeast Asia and Africa to build efficient, clean water purification systems.

Infra Innovations has provided services to a variety of US and international clients. Most of their clients are government agencies, utilities, and large industrial plants. They have worked with Underground Systems, Inc. (USi) to repair and rejuvenate Pressurized Gas-Filled (PGF) electric cables at JFE Steel, the second largest steel manufacturer in Japan.
Leadership Panel

Susan Petty
President & CTO, AltaRock Energy, Inc.

Susan Petty is the chief technology officer, president, and co-founder of AltaRock Energy, Inc. With more than 30 years of experience in the geothermal industry, Susan’s work has included all aspects of testing, evaluation, analysis, modeling and optimization for geothermal wells, wellfields and power plants. She has also negotiated geothermal lease agreements, power sales agreements, geothermal project financing agreements and geothermal property sales and purchases, and completed policy studies for state and federal agencies. Susan has driven geothermal electrical generation projects in locations around the world, including: California, Nevada, Indonesia, the Philippines and Central America.

In addition to her extensive experience in the private sector, Susan has worked with the Department of Energy in performing policy studies on the economic modeling of geothermal pricing, and the impact of technology improvement on the cost of geothermal power. She has been instrumental in developing information, planning and designing software for use in developing public policy in geothermal energy. Susan holds a B.A. from Princeton University in Geology, and an M.S. in Groundwater Hydrology from the University of Hawaii.

Event Organizers

The Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies

The Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies (JSIS) at the University of Washington combines the social sciences, humanities, and professional fields to enhance understanding of our increasingly interconnected globe. The school is named for late Senator Henry M. Jackson, in recognition of his interest and support for the school and for the field of international affairs.

The school has eight Title VI National Resource Centers (NRCs)—Canadian Studies; East Asia Center; Center for West European Studies; International Studies; Middle East Studies; Ellison Center for Russian, East European & Central Asian Studies; South Asian Studies; and Southeast Asian Studies—Devoted to outreach and public education activities. Each NRC receives Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowships, awarded to graduate students throughout the University. The Jackson School is the number one recipient of NRC and FLAS awards in the country.

The Jackson School offers seven undergraduate majors—Asian Studies, Canadian Studies, European Studies, Latin American Studies, Comparative Religion, Jewish Studies, and International studies—and 16 minors (as well as a Tri-Campus minor in Human Rights). The curriculum is multidisciplinary and focuses especially on international policy issues and processes. Language study is required for all area studies degrees, both undergraduate and graduate, and study abroad is strongly encouraged.