

Third International Workshop on the Japanese Diaspora Program

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The Japanese Association for Migration Studies

The Hoover Institution at Stanford University and the Japanese Association for Migration Studies co-host the Third International Workshop on the Japanese Diaspora, encouraging rising young scholars to present their new research on Japanese global migration. We plan on bringing an international roster of junior scholars, postdocs, and graduate students in modern Japanese history and Japanese American studies to the Hoover Institution Library & Archives, which holds a vast collection on Japanese and Japanese American archival materials, to discuss the Japanese diaspora from a global perspective. This workshop will allow scholars to consider the history of Japanese migrant workers, immigrants, and settlers as constituting complex interactive processes between the homeland and multiple host countries.

Date: Tuesday–Wednesday, September 10–11, 2024

Venue: Hoover Institution Library & Archives, Stanford University
434 Galvez Mall, Stanford CA 94305-6003 (nearby airports are San Jose and San Francisco)

Program

Except as noted, all events are in the Stauffer Auditorium, Herbert Hoover Memorial Building, at the Hoover Institution.

The presentations and the concluding workshop discussion will be conducted in a hybrid format and live-streamed.

Day 1: September 10

8:30–11:30 am: Archival Studies for the presenters and discussants: Reading Room, Herbert Hoover Memorial Building

11:30 am–12:00 pm: Lunch (provided for the presenters and discussants)



12:00–1:30 pm: **Public Lecture: “Crafting Japanese Immigrant Nationalism in 1930s’ Hawai’i,”** by [Mire Koikari](#), Professor of Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, University of Hawai’i at Mānoa; preceded by short presentations on the publication of *Japanese America on the Eve of the Pacific War: An Untold Story of the 1930s* and its broader agenda by [Eiichiro Azuma](#), Roy F. and Jeannette P. Nichols Professor of American History, University of Pennsylvania; and [Kay Ueda](#), Research Fellow and Curator of the Japanese Diaspora Collection, Hoover Institution.

1:30–1:40 pm: Break

1:40–1:45 pm: Opening Remarks, [Kay Ueda](#)

1:45–3:15 pm: **Session 1: Economic Networks and Japanese Diaspora**

Session Discussant: [Yoko Tsukuda](#)

Presentation 1: “Ethnic Firms and Japanese American Settlement in Territorial Hawai’i”
[Issay Matsumoto](#)

Presentation 2: “Amid Successive Empires: The Japanese Question in the Global Localities of Davao and Guam”
[Maria Cynthia Barriga](#)

Presentation 3: “The Hidden Center of the Diasporic Network: Osaka and Its Shipping Empire, 1920s–40s”
[Yuki Hoshino](#)

Discussant’s Comments and Q&A

3:15–3:30 pm: Break

3:30–5:00 pm: **Session 2: Transpacific Mobility & Transwar Mobilization**

Session Discussants: [Toyotomi Morimoto](#) and [Alice Y. Tseng](#)

Presentation 4: “Transpacific Liminality: Taiwanese Diaspora in the United States during World War II”
[Yi-Ting Chung](#)

Presentation 5: “From War Painter in Imperial Japan to Diasporic Painter in Postwar United States: The Case of Kawabata Minoru’s Art and Troubled Trajectory”
[Kimihiro Nakamura](#)

Presentation 6: “Being and Becoming Nikkei: Intergenerational Stories of Japanese Grandfathers in North Celebes after World War II”

[Median Mutiara](#)

Discussant’s Comments and Q&A

Day 2: September 11

8:30 am–12:00 pm: Archival Studies for the presenters and discussants: Reading Room, Herbert Hoover Memorial Building

12:00–12:45 pm: Lunch (provided to the presenters and discussants)

12:45–2:15 pm: **Session 3: Re(dis)covering the Margins & Remapping the Empires**

Session Discussant: [Mire Koikari](#)

Presentation 7: “Empire, Rice, and Jim Crow: The Japanese Diaspora in the Early Twentieth-Century Gulf South”

[Mishio Yamanaka](#)

Presentation 8: “Discourses of Discrimination: Outcastes in Confinement”

[Koji Lau-Ozawa](#)

Presentation 9: “Against ‘Type’: The Takao Ozawa Naturalization Trials and Discourses of Whiteness in the American and Japanese Empires”

[Michael Roellinghoff](#)

Discussant’s Comments and Q&A

2:15–2:30 pm: Break

2:30–3:30 pm: **Session Group Review and Small Group Discussion** (in-person only)

3:30–5:00 pm: **Workshop Discussion and Concluding Remarks**

Workshop Chair: [Eiichiro Azuma](#)