Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition
Centennial Celebration

2-Day symposium: Asian-Pacific Perspectives at the AYPE

Organized by Chinese in Northwest America Research Committee

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Only four Asian-Pacific groups participated in the 1909 exposition: Chinese, Japanese, Filipinos, and Hawaiians. How and why their cultures were presented to fair goers has been a neglected subject. As part of Seattle city's centennial celebration for the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, the symposium is intended to reveal stories of Asian Pacific participants as a way of understanding the development of their communities and their images in their own eyes and those of European Americans, some supportive and others fiercely hostile. See www.cinarc.org for details.

Day 1: 9/12/2009 (Sat), 9:00 – 16:30
Self and Projected Images of Asian & Pacific Immigrants in the Age of AYPE: 1905-1910

Venue: National Archives and Records Administration
6125 Sand Point Way NE, Seattle, WA 98115-7999

Session I.
Chair: Lorraine McConaghy (Museum of History and Industry, Seattle)
Chuimei Ho (Chinese in Northwest America Research Committee).
"How Ready Were the Chinese and Japanese Communities in Seattle to Join the AYPE?"

Jeff Daykin (Portland State University & Portland Community College)
"Calming the Waters of Japan-U.S. Relations through Commerce: The Reception of Shibusawa Eiichi's Trade Commission at the A-Y-P"

Session II.
Chair: Priscilla Wegars (Asian American Comparative Collection, University of Idaho)
Sarah Nelson Smith (formerly NARA archivist).

Trish Hackett Nicola (Independent Genealogist).
"The Chinese Community at the A-Y-P Exposition."

Session III.
Chair: Gail Nomura (American Ethnic Studies, University of Washington)
Dorothy L. & Fred Cordova (Filipino-American National Historical Society)
"Filipinos in Washington and the AYPE."

Ken Tadashi Oshima (Department of Architecture, University of Washington)
"Japan: The Architecture of Abodes Abroad."

Session IV.
**Chair:** Connie Sugahara (Cherry Festival Committee, Seattle)
**David A. Rash** (Madsen, Kneppers & Associates, Inc., Seattle)
"Asian Imagery at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition and in Seattle."
**Dan Kerlee** (AYPE Specialist, aype.com).
"Japanese art and crafts at AYPE - what beauty, and messages, do they convey?"

**Day 2.  9/13/2009 (Sun):  9:00 – 17:15**

**Asians and Pacific Participants at the Fair: Fear and Friendship**

**Venue:** The Burke Museum of Natural History and Culture, University of Washington, Seattle. There will be a tour of the former AYPE fairgrounds.

Session V.
**Chair:** Bettie Luke (Organization of Chinese Americans, Seattle)
**Richard Kay** (Kong Yick Company, Seattle).
"Lew G. Kay, the Chairperson of China Day at the AYPE."
**Howard King** (Retired Engineer, Seattle).
"My Grandfather, Ah King, the only Chinese concessionaire at the AYPE."
**Tina Song** (Independent Architect, Seattle).
"The Chinese Architecture at AYPE and other Expositions."

Session VI.
**Chair:** Assunta Ng (Northwest Asian Weekly, Seattle)
**Martha Hoverson** (Hawaii Public Library). "Hawaiians at the AYPE."
**Shea Shizuko Aoki** (Japanese American Citizens League, Seattle) & **Chuimei Ho** (CINAC),
"Tatsyua Arai and other Concessionaires for the 'Streets of Tokio' at the AYPE."

Session VII.
**Chair:** Connie So (American Ethnic Studies, University of Washington)
**Cherubim Quizon** (Anthropology Department, Seton Hall).
"Of 'dead exhibits' and living things: lessons from the Philippine ethnological displays at St Louis and Seattle."
**Patricia Afable** (National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution) & **Deana Weibel** (Grand Valley State University).
"Performers, Interpreters, and the Showman Onstage and Offstage at the Pay Streak's "Igorrote Village."

Session VIII.
**Chair:** Robert W. Rydell (Department of History, Montana State University)
**Bennet Bronson** (Chinese in Northwest America Research Committee).
"Asians and Pacific islanders at the AYPE – Review and Overview."
REGISTRATION

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2-day symposium
Asian-Pacific Perspectives at the AYPE
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☐ I wish to receive a registration confirmation and a reminder 1 week before the date of the event.

☐ I wish to join the fairground tour on 9/13 (Sunday).

SYMPOSIUM FEE (Per Person)                      Fees                      Your choice

Registration 9/12 only $ 7.00 $ _______
Registration 9/13 only $ 7.00 $ _______
Registration 9/12 & 9/13 $10.00 $ _______
Lunch box 9/12* $15.00 $ _______
Lunch Box 9/13** $15.00 $ _______
Conference CD $ 5.00 $ _______

Total $________

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Your signature       Date

* Be sure to bring your own lunch if you don’t want to reserve a lunch box. There are no restaurants near NARA.

** You will have many options if you prefer not to reserve a lunch box. The Burke Museum area has plenty of restaurants within easy walking distance.

- Make checks payable to “Chuimei Ho-AYPE”.
- Send registration and your check to Chuimei Ho, CINARC, P.O.BOX 10909, Bainbridge Island, WA 98110.
- Seat capacity: 44 at NARA and 65 at the Burke Museum.