

JSAA e-Newsletter November 2008

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Hope 2008 has been a fruitful year for JSAA members. Happy holidays, and best wishes for 2009! Yoi otoshi o!

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1. Genji monogatari lecture and film in Sydney
Genji Lecture
Saturday 29 November 2008 12noon
Domain Theatre, Lower Level 3
Art Gallery of New South Wales (Admission free)

What You Need to Know about The Tale of Genji
Dr Royall Tyler, Professor, Japan Centre, Faculty of Asian Studies, ANU
(Retired), Visiting Fellow, Faculty of Asian Studies, ANU.

In 2001, Dr Tyler published the third translation of The tale of Genji in English, a task that took eight years to accomplish. He was awarded the "Japan Foundation Award" in 2007 and in 2008 he was conferred the "Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon" by the Emperor of Japan for his outstanding contribution in making Japanese literature and culture accessible to non-Japanese audience.

Genji Film
Saturday 29 November 2008 2pm
Domain Theatre, Lower Level 3, Art Gallery of NSW (Admission free)
The Tale of Genji (Genji-monogatari)
Dir: Kozaburo Yoshimura 1951 (Japan) 121 mins 35mm B&W Rated R
(unclassified) Kazuo Hasegawa, Michiyo Kogure
Japanese with English subtitles

2. Conferences

1) Symposium of Japanese Applied Linguistics, Saturday 13 December 2008

The School of Languages and Linguistics at the University of New South Wales cordially invites you to participate in the Symposium of Japanese Applied Linguistics. The symposium will present early career researchers from the Sydney Metropolitan area along with internationally known scholars. We are fortunate to feature Professor YI Dok Bong, the undisputed leader in Japanese language education in Korea and Professor Osamu Kamada, the president of the Japanese Association of Second Language Acquisition.

Date: Saturday 13 December 2008 (9:30 registration for 9:45 start)

Venue: The Japan Foundation Multi-purpose Room

http://www.jpff.org.au/01_aboutus/map.htm

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Program will be available from our website soon. <http://www.jsaa.info/>

Booking is essential (by Dec. 10th) for catering purpose. Please email Yuki Kawarai with your name and affiliation at

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This Seminar is sponsored by the Japan Foundation, the Australian Research Council, Asia Pacific Futures Network, Japan-Korea Node, and the Japanese Program at the University of New South Wales.

2) Otago Conference on Japanese Modernism, August 14-16, 2009 Otago University, New Zealand

CALL FOR PAPERS

Paper proposals are invited for a conference on Japanese modernism to be held at the University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand, on August 14-16, 2009.

General theoretical and historical questions to be addressed in both a Japanese and a comparative international context might include:

What is modernism?

What is the relation of modernism to modernity?

Was modernism a national or an international phenomenon?

What historical circumstances gave rise to modernism?

Is there a particular modernist worldview or a particular modernist aesthetic?

What were the major achievements of modernism, and what were its long-term influences?

What is the relation between modernism and postmodernism?

A refereed volume of selected conference papers will be edited by Roy Starrs and published by a major international publisher.

A conference website with more details is forthcoming.

Send paper proposals to:

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3) Conference of the Society for East Asian Anthropology, American Anthropological Association 2-5 July 2009, Taipei, Taiwan

We encourage submissions of both organized sessions and individual papers on issues of interest and passion in the anthropology of East and Southeast Asian societies. We particularly welcome panels that bring together comparative studies of a common topic from different parts of the region.

This conference, which will be conducted in English, is jointly sponsored by the Society for East Asian Anthropology, the Taiwan Association for Anthropology and Ethnology, the Graduate Institute of Anthropology at National Tsing Hua University, the College of Hakka Studies at National Chiao Tung University, and the Institute of Ethnology at Academia Sinica .

Deadline for submission of panel and paper abstracts: 28 February 2009

Deadline for conference registration and housing application: 30 April 2009

Please check the SEAA Website

(<http://www.aaanet.org/sections/seaa/index.html>

<<http://www.aaanet.org/sections/seaa/index.html>>) for the SEAA 2009 Taipei Conference update. If you have any questions, you can also contact Anru Lee, the chair of the program committee at: alee@jjay.cuny.edu.

3. 2009 The Third Inoue Yasushi Award

Outstanding Research in Japanese Literature in Australia

The Inoue Yasushi Award for Outstanding Research in Japanese Literature in Australia is being given annually for five years, beginning in 2007, for the best refereed journal article or book chapter published in English during the previous year by a researcher based in Australia. The recipient will receive \$1000 as well as a certificate of the award's conferral.

The Inoue Yasushi Memorial Foundation established the award in order to encourage Australian interest in Japanese literature generally, and in Inoue Yasushi more particularly. In 2008 Dr Roman Rosenbaum of the University of Sydney received the award for his article entitled 'The Generation of the Burnt-out Ruins'¹², which was published in *Japanese Studies* (Vol. 27, No. 3, December 2007).

Applicants for the 2009 award should submit a statement of the significance of their work, a 200-word abstract and three hard copies of their journal article or book chapter, published in 2008, or preferably, one electronic copy and one hard copy by Sunday, 15 February 2009. Due to this early cut off date, in-press articles and book chapters which will bear the publication year as 2008 will be accepted with evidence. We will be announcing the winner on Friday 20 March 2009. Submissions should be sent to the Chair of the award selection committee, Dr Yasuko Claremont. Her mailing address is: Japanese Studies, School of Languages and Cultures A18, University of Sydney, NSW 2006. Her email address is: <yasuko.claremont@usyd.edu.au>

4. Positions

ANU College of Asia and the Pacific Crawford School of Economics and Government
AustraliaJapan Research Centre

Lecturer, Senior Lecturer, Reader (Japan Economy) Academic Level B, C or D

Salary Range: Level B \$68,767 to \$81,135 pa plus 17% super

Level C \$83,606 to \$95,977 pa plus 17% super

Level D \$100,097 to \$109,992 pa plus 17% super

The Crawford School proposes appointing one or two analytically strong scholars with applied research interests on the contemporary economy or political economy of Japan and its interaction with the Asia Pacific and international economies. The field of specialisation is open and policy-oriented research is welcome. The position/s will be located in the AustraliaJapan Research Centre under the leadership of Professor Jenny Corbett. The appointee will conduct research, produce conference and seminar papers and publications, supervise Ph.D. students, undertake teaching as required, and contribute to AJRC activities. The successful applicant will be expected to contribute actively to AJRC's conferences,

seminar series and policy outreach activities. Demonstrated ability and enthusiasm for organising and participating in such activities would be an advantage. Applicants should have a strong publication record and a PhD or equivalent qualification. The successful applicant should preferably have sufficient Japanese language to use primary source materials.

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5. News from National Library of Australia

New acquisition list is available at

<http://www.nla.gov.au/asian/pub/jap/JapaneseAcquisitionsList.html>

They started to acquire some DVDs in Japanese collection: mainly documentary films, history related featured films, and governmental promotional DVDs.

There would not be many titles and the usage is limited. Still, they are promoting that feature of the collection and would like to get the feedback from the researchers.

Selected titles are listed in the list above.