#### Welcome to Japan Week 2014 **Contemplating Japan** in a Global Perspective

As we set our course for the future in the new millennium, Japan Week 2014 gives us the opportunity to build a bridge between cultures that will enable us to share our knowledge and experiences of Japan through lectures, symposia, workshops, events, and awards. Japan Week 2014 demonstrates SHU's ongoing commitment towards bringing together people of different races, religions, cultures, and ethnic backgrounds. In addition, Japan Week 2014 provides an atmosphere conducive to a greater understanding of Japan and its people. It is our hope that participants in these events will become leaders in a flourishing dialogue between Japan and the United States who will work towards building a more peaceful global community.

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#### **April 2 (Wednesday)** 11 a.m. -12:30 p.m. Fahy Hall 236 Pre-Japan Week Movie: Mr. Baseball

Mr. Baseball is a 1992 film directed by Fred Schepisi, starring Tom Selleck and Ken Takakura. It depicts a tumultuous season in the career of fictitious New York Yankees first baseman Jack Elliot, who is traded to the Chunichi Dragons in Nagoya during Spring Training, and forced to contend with overwhelming expectations and cultural differences during the Dragons' run at the pennant. Hosted by Prof. Gary Andrasko, Asian Studies.

#### **April 7 (Monday)** 11 a.m. -12:15 p.m. Fahy Hall 236 **Understanding Japanese Baseball**

Japan and the United States have shared a common passion for baseball since the late 1800s. Nine players per side, nine innings per game, three outs per inning - same game, right? Maybe, and then again, maybe not. For centuries Japan has assimilated the best of many cultures and made the end result uniquely Japanese. "Understanding Japanese Base-ball" takes a look at the shared summer pastime of Japan and the United States from the rules of the game to the fan's experience at the ballpark. Hosted by Prof. Gary Andrasko, Asian Studies.

#### 3:10 p.m. -3:50 p.m. University Green The 15th Annual Kite Contest



Bring handmade kite to the University Green to participate in the contest. Hosted by Seton Hall University's Asian Studies Association (Rain date: April 15). Kite Making Workshop: Thursday,

### **Tuesday, April 8 (Tuesday)** 12:30 p.m.-1:45 p.m. Beck Room, Library

#### **Express Yourself:** Japanese Calligraphy Workshop



Point presentation of history of Japanese calligraphy, Calligraphy demonstration, participant's practice (brush, inks, and paper are provided), and some calligra-

The workshop includes Power-

phy souvenirs. Hosted by Prof. Hiroko Ishikawa and Prof. Felicia Penchina, Japanese Program.

#### 5:00-6:30 p.m. Beck Room, Library Understanding Japanese *Tuskemono* (Pickles)

Workshop on Japanese Tukemono Culture with samples of pickles, rice, and green tea. Anyone interested in Japanese pickles must attend this rare workshop. Hosted by Prof. Fumiko Bacon.

#### **April 9 (Wednesday)** 2 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. Beck Room, Library Japan Travel Update



Ms. Tomoko Inuishi Director. Japan National Tourism Organization (JNTO), New York Office will share the newest travel information and tips for travel to Japan. Hosted by Prof. Clair Diab,

Asian Studies Program.

#### **April 10 (Thursday)** 11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Chancellor's Suite Japanese Language & **Digital Storytelling Awards Ceremony**



The Japanese Program is happy to announce its best and most motivated learners of Japanese language study. Students also will be recognized for their continued effort through receiving

Digital Storytelling Awards. Awards will be presented by Dean Christopher Kaiser, and Prof. Wendy Sue Williams. Hosted by Language Resource Center.

#### 12:30 - 1:45 p.m. Chancellor's Suite SHU-JAPAN Exchange Program



Participants of SHU-Japan Exchange Program Summer 2013 share their experiences of living abroad in Japan. All students interested in studying abroad are welcome to attend the event.

Hosted by Ms. Maria Bouzas, Director of the Office of International Programs.

## **April 11 (Friday)**

9 a.m. – 3: 30 p.m. Beck Room, Library The 17th Annual Graduate Student & School **Teacher Symposium on Japanese Studies** 



Eleven research papers related to Japanese language and civilization will be presented and discussed in this day-long conference. Dr. Thomas Radice (MA in Asian Studies, Seton Hall 2001, Ph.D. UPenn 2006),

Associate Professor of History at Southern Connecticut University, will deliver his keynote speech on Taking Performance Seriously: Ritual in East Asian Thought.

#### All events are open to the public and free of charge (The program is subject to change)

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