

# The National Consortium for Teaching about Asia

## 2019-2020 NoVa Workshop Series



### NORTHERN VIRGINIA AND DC AREA SECONDARY TEACHERS

### JOIN NCTA FOR 1,2, OR 3 SATURDAY WORKSHOPS THIS SCHOOL YEAR

In cooperation with the Madeira School and the Freer|Sackler Galleries

#### The 2019-2020 Program

**Saturday, December 14, 2019. Teaching about Contemporary China through Youth Culture and Contemporary Social Issues.** Participants will read excerpts from *China's Millennials: The Want Generation* and discuss education, the workplace, and divisive social issues in China today with the book's author, Eric Fish. Additional sessions will focus on the rapidly changing social, political, and economic environment of Xi Jinping's China. Guest speakers will be China watcher and author Eric Fish and Sidwell Friends School China Program Director John Flower.

**Saturday, February 29, 2020. Teaching Asia with Art at the Freer|Sackler.** NCTA joins our colleagues at the Freer|Sackler to focus on two of the Galleries' special exhibits. "Hokusai: Mad about Painting" provides a vivid, complex look into everyday life in early 19<sup>th</sup>-century Japan by one of Japan's most famous Tokugawa woodblock artists. With the second featured exhibit, "Sacred Dedication: A Korean Buddhist Masterpiece," workshop participants will have the opportunity to explore a single work of art in depth and detail. We'll work with Freer|Sackler curators and staff, and also consider ways to teach Japan and Korea through these works.

**Saturday, March 7, 2020. Japan, Pop Culture, and the Olympics.** The Olympics are generally recognized as a world stage on which the hosting nation can showcase its culture, accomplishments and global role. For Japan, the summer 2020 Tokyo Olympics will take place in a time of growing nationalism, increasing regional friction, and an uncertain economy. What messages will Japan send to the world through the 2020 Olympics? Will it showcase trade-mark soft power accomplishments in technology and popular culture or promote a new image for the 21st century? Our featured speaker is Japan specialist William Tsutsui, author of *In Godzilla's Footsteps: Japanese Pop Culture on the Global Stage*; *Japanese Popular Culture and Globalization*; and *The East Asian Olympiads, 1934-2008*.



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## PARTICIPANT BENEFITS

Through grant funding, NCTA provides the following benefits for workshop participants:

- **Participant stipend:** \$50 stipend per workshop.
- **Classroom materials:** Each workshop will provide teachers with curriculum resources incorporating primary source materials for teaching about East Asia.
- **Certificate of professional development hours:** Certificate of 6 contact hours per workshop issued by NCTA. *Note: Participation in all three seminars may earn recertification points in your district. Contact your content supervisor for more information.*
- **A professional community.** Engaging discussion and exchange with peers and East Asia specialists.
- **NCTA Study Tour eligibility:** Participants who successfully complete all three workshops are eligible for NCTA summer study tours in East Asia, pending annual funding.

## WORKSHOP EXPECTATIONS

Workshop participants agree to:

- Participate for full-day program of each Saturday workshop they attend and complete a workshop evaluation;
- Undertake modest (1-2) hour reading prior to each workshop, if applicable.

## ELIGIBILITY and REGISTRATION

Northern Virginia and DC area social studies, literature, and East Asian languages educators are invited to attend one, two, or all three Saturday workshops. Because space is limited, priority may be given to teachers whose course assignments include East Asia.

Registration is limited to 25 eligible teachers per workshop on a first come-first serve basis. Register online at [www.colorado.edu/ptea/VaNCTA-reg](http://www.colorado.edu/ptea/VaNCTA-reg). Registrants will be asked to confirm intent to participate a week prior to each workshop.

**Questions?** For more information on the workshop series, contact NCTA National Co-director Lynn Parisi, [parisi@colorado.edu](mailto:parisi@colorado.edu), 303.735.5121 or Matthew Sudnik, NCTA NoVa Coordinator, [matthew.sudnik@gmail.com](mailto:matthew.sudnik@gmail.com).

## ABOUT THE NATIONAL CONSORTIUM FOR TEACHING ABOUT ASIA

**The National Consortium for Teaching about Asia (NCTA)**, now in its 22nd year, is a national professional development program for K-12 teachers headquartered at the Asian Studies centers of seven universities across the United States: Columbia University; Five Colleges, Inc; Indiana University, University of Colorado, University of Southern California, University of Pittsburgh, and University of Washington. NCTA is generously funded by The Freeman Foundation.

NCTA offers seminars, workshop series, summer institutes, and online courses for teachers nationwide. This workshop series is NCTA's 14<sup>th</sup> annual professional development program for Virginia and DC area teachers.

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