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**Rick Shiomi, Artistic Director of Mu Performing Arts, was the honored guest speaker at the 66th Annual Chrysanthemum Banquet, held November 10, 2012 at the Chateau in Medicine Lake.**

*Pictured (l to r): Pam Dagoberg, Karen Lucas, Dan Motoyoshi, Rick Shiomi, Rachel Matsumoto, Lisa Shakerin, Gloria Kumagai, Matt Farrells, Sylvia Farrells*

## SPECIAL EVENT INVITATION!

The chapter is hosting an exclusive event at the Guthrie Theater. Yellow Fever is a play directed by Rick Shiomi, that will be debuting March. We have a limited reservation for a showing on Saturday, March 9th. Guests will have a chance to meet and learn more about the play from Mr. Shiomi, and then attend the 1:00 show. There will also be a forum after the show, free for all guests.

Additional details and a sign up sheet will be emailed, and available on the chapter website shortly.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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Scholarship Committee holds one seat

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## TC JACL SCHOLARSHIPS

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### 2013 High School Graduate Scholarship Applications Available

Scholarship applications for 2013 high school graduates will be available at the end of January. Please contact Pam Dagoberg at 763-557-2946 ([dagob001@tc.umn.edu](mailto:dagob001@tc.umn.edu)) if you are interested in obtaining a local chapter scholarship application or would like to recommend someone for a scholarship.

Applications will be available on the [twincitiesjacl.org](http://twincitiesjacl.org) website under the Scholarships tab. They will also be mailed to the following students no later than January 31, 2013:

Emily Abe (Wayzata High School)  
Haruna Gutierrez (Bloomington Jefferson High School)  
Christopher Kiriara (Bloomington Jefferson High School)  
Kevin Krantz (Eden Prairie High School)  
Tomo Sencer-Mura (Minneapolis South High School)  
Ryan Sudo (Forest Lake High School)  
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Mara Walli (St. Paul Academy and Summit School)



In addition to completing the application form and submitting a transcript, students must write a short essay entitled “The Value of Further Education.” Local scholarship applications are evaluated based on scholastic achievement, extra curricular activities, community service and the essay. Scholarship recipients are required to be current JACL members (individual student membership or family membership is required). Membership information can be found at [www.twincitiesjacl.org](http://www.twincitiesjacl.org).

Completed applications for local scholarships must be postmarked no later than March 31, 2013.

In addition to the local scholarships, National JACL scholarships for entering freshmen are also available. Decisions for awards will be made this summer. Applicants are judged on the basis of their scholastic achievement, extra-curricular activities, community involvement, personal statement and letter of recommendation. Information regarding National JACL scholarships can be found at [www.jacl.org](http://www.jacl.org). Applications must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2013.

If you would like to support the TC JACL Scholarship Program by making a tax deductible donation, please contact Connie Tsuchiya at [ctsuchiya@comcast.net](mailto:ctsuchiya@comcast.net).

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## JACL NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

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# JACL

Japanese American Citizens League

### National JACL Announces 2013 Scholarship Program with New U.S.-Japan Scholarship

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For Immediate Release

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**San Francisco, CA** -- The Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) announces its National Scholarship and Awards Program for the 2013 academic year. The JACL annually offers approximately 30 college scholarships for students who are incoming college freshmen, undergraduates and graduates, and those specializing in law or the creative/performing arts. There is also a scholarship for those in need of financial aid in this time of rising tuition costs.

Making its debut in 2013 is the newly-created Meiji Gakuin University - JACL Scholarship for a graduating high school senior who wishes to study in Japan. Meiji Gakuin University, founded in 1863, is located in Tokyo and is one of the oldest universities in Japan. This four-year scholarship will lead the recipient to a bachelor's degree in International Studies. All classes are taught in English.

Freshman applications must be submitted directly by the applicant to his/her local JACL chapter by March 1. Applications for the "other" scholarship categories (undergraduate, graduate, law, creative/performing arts, and student aid) are to be sent directly by the applicant to the "National JACL Scholarship Committee" by April 1.

The application process for the Meiji Gakuin University - JACL Scholarship involves two completely different applications, which can be requested directly from Meiji Gakuin University. The deadline for this U.S.-Japan Scholarship is March 1.

Detailed scholarship program information and applications can be found on the JACL website at [www.jacl.org](http://www.jacl.org), and clicking "Education" on the menu bar. The National JACL Scholarship Program requires that all applicants be a student or individual member of the JACL.

For more information on the National JACL Scholarship Program, contact Regional Director Patty Wada at: [jacl-ncwnpro@msn.com](mailto:jacl-ncwnpro@msn.com), or National JACL Vice President for Planning & Development Jason Chang at [vpp-d@jacl.org](mailto:vpp-d@jacl.org).

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## Origami and Ribbon Fish Workshops

The Festival of Nations booth is our biggest fundraiser and this year we plan to sell origami and ribbon items. We are looking for volunteers to help make the inventory and Jenny Olsen will be hosting a few workshops to teach others how to make items, prepare the materials, and then start making the items to sell. This is a great way to give back for those who aren't able to volunteer during the festival.

All members, their friends and family over the age of 12 are welcome (if you know of younger people that are interested, please contact Jenny to discuss). All the materials and instructions will be provided. If you already know how to make the items and would just like to get materials, let Jenny know and she can get them to you too. You don't need to be artsy to help. We will have many different stations that can use skills of all levels.

Volunteers needed for the following activities:

Cutting paper and ribbon

Folding origami stars and ornaments

Weaving ribbon fish and birds

Finishing fish with eyes and tails

Stringing stars into necklaces

Making tassels

Assembling the finished item on sticks, strings, magnets, etc.

Packing and counting items

Workshops will be held from 1-4 PM on the following

Saturdays:

January 26

February 9

February 23

March 16

Please RSVP by the Friday before each session.

Location:

10676 McCool Dr E

Burnsville, MN 55337

(There will be dogs present.)



Contact Jenny with any questions or to RSVP ([jenny.monchichi@gmail.com](mailto:jenny.monchichi@gmail.com) or [612-280-3571](tel:612-280-3571))



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