

Event Archives 2003

- January 15: Asia Center Visiting Fellows begin teaching: Beverly Hong-Fincher teaches a course in Chinese linguistics; He Xingqiong teaches a course in Chinese dance forms; George Wilson (director emeritus of the Indiana University East Asian Studies Center and professor emeritus of Japanese history) teaches two Asian history courses.
- January 21: Asia Center Colloquium Series: George Wilson, Asia Center Visiting Fellow, discusses "Is the Meiji Restoration Still Important in Japanese History?"
- January: Asia Center Steering Committee members join campus committee on International Studies.
- January: Visiting Fellows He and Hong-Fincher present Chinese New Year performances in Lexington and Owensboro.
- February 12: Asia Center provides a speaker on China to the architecture program, which plans to take its first-year students to Beijing during Spring Break. (Note: trip was cancelled due to SARS outbreak).
- February 25: Asia Center Colloquium Series: Ayush Dashdavaa, professor, University of Humanities in Mongolia, discusses "Nomadic Manhood and Masculinity: Gender Role Transition in Today's Mongolia."
- March 1: Asia Center supports symposium on "Japanese Film and the War." Five rare Japanese films are screened during the spring semester as part of this event.
- March 7, 8, 9: Asia Center sponsors a "Celebration of Chinese Cinema" with three recent films at the Kentucky Theater.
- March 11: Visiting Fellow He Xingqiong presents "Chinese History Through Dance" at Georgetown College.
- March 18: Asia Center sends representative to the "Midwest China Summit" hosted by Indiana University.
- March 25: Asia Center Colloquium Series: Sanjoy Hazarika, Rockefeller Visiting Fellow, discusses "Traveling along the Tsangpo-Brahmaputra from Tibet to the Bay of Bengal."
- March 27: Asia Center supports the appearance of Ruth Ozeki at the Kentucky Women Writers Conference.
- March 31: Asia Center hosts Tom Doctoroff, director of the Shanghai office of the J. Walter Thompson advertising firm. He speaks to Kentucky and Ohio business people at a Kentucky World Trade Center lunch and gives a public talk on "Tuning in to Chinese Youth" at UK.
- April 3: "Magic, Mystery, and Materials: Treasures from the Trammell and Margaret Crow Collection of Asian Art" opens at the UK Art Museum, with Asia Center support.
- April 6: Asia Center representatives make presentations at the UK Gaines Center's Silk Road dinner.

- April 12: Visiting Fellow He Xingqiong performs in the UK Dance Ensemble's Spring Concert. Her students perform a Mongolian Dance.
- April 16: Asia Center and the Patterson School host South Korean ambassador Yang, who gives a public lecture on campus.
- April 22: Asia Center Colloquium Series: Tanya Pullen, Kentucky State Representative discusses "An American Lawyer in Southeast Asia."
- April 25: Asia Center supports the appearance of Yoko Tawada at the Kentucky Foreign Languages Conference.
- April 25-26: Asia Center supports the Japan Studies Program's conference on environmental movements in the U.S. and Japan.
- April 26: Visiting fellow He Xingqiong performs at the Georgetown Kite Festival. On June 4 she performs at the Crane House in Louisville.
- June 11-13: Asia Center presents teacher workshop: "Asian Arts and Humanities," featuring Dr. Han Kuo-Huang. Dr. Han also lectures on Chinese music and presides over several public music workshops.
- June 17: Dr. Han Kuo-Huang conducts an Asian music workshop at the Lexington Children's Museum.
- September 11-13: Asia Center hosts the second annual Asia in the Curriculum Symposium at UK. Over 150 educators from national universities attend. The keynote speakers are John Dower and Shigeru Miyagawa whose audiovisual presentation is titled "Facing 'East,' Facing 'West': New Directions in Visualizing Asia."
- September 6: Pt. Shri Hariprasad Chaurasia, India's preeminent performer on the bansuri, performs at the Singletary Center for the Arts. The Asia Center supports his visit through publicity and by hosting a reception where those interested may meet him.
- September 9-16: Award-winning Japanese-American poet Lawson Inada visits Lexington and surroundings. He gives poetry readings at several high schools and in the community, conducts a writing workshop, and does a radio interview. The Asia Center sponsors his visit.
- September 22: Asia Center Colloquium Series: "Asia Center Fall Kick-off." Friends of the Asia Center gather to discuss the Asia Center's goals and programming.
- September 26: Asia Center hosts Kendall Brown, of California State University at Long Beach, speaking on "Roads Less Taken: Some Unconventional Topics in Modern Japanese Art." Brown's appearance is in conjunction with the Warwick Foundation's Inaugural Event, honoring the life and work of Kentucky architectural historian and Asianist Clay Lancaster.
- October 3: Selection of three Asia Center Fellows is made; three UK undergraduate students are chosen to assist the Asia Center in program planning and publicity for one academic year. Each of the students receives a scholarship of \$500.00 per semester for two semesters.
- October 9-11: Asia Center co-sponsors a conference on "China and the World" with the Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce.

- October 27: Asia Center Colloquium Series: Miyuki Lake, of the UK Japanese Saturday School, and her friends offer “Asian Calligraphy.” The basic techniques for Japanese brush and ink writing are taught.
- October 28: Asia Center co-sponsors the visit to UK of David Matsumoto, Professor of Psychology and Director of the Culture and Emotion Research Laboratory at San Francisco State University. He gives a lecture titled “The New Japan: a New Generation and a Changing Japan.”
- October 31: Asia Center supports the UK Symphony Orchestra’s “East Meets West” concert. The program includes a Chinese composition with guest artist Zhou Li performing on the pipa.
- November 5: Performance of WuShu (Chinese martial arts) by Mr. Tianrong An and his students at Jewell Hall.
- November 11: Victoria Abbott Riccardi, author and student of various world cuisines, presents a lecture on Japanese tea and food titled “Japanese Art of Tea Kaiseki: What Is It and Who Enjoys It?”
- November 21: Asia Center provides a Korean “cultural ambassador” from among UK’s international student body to speak to students at Glendover Global Studies Elementary School in Lexington as part of their International Classroom program.
- November 24: Asia Center Colloquium Series: Professor Cheong Jong Han, visiting artist from Sunchon University in Korea, discusses “Korean Printmaking.”
- December 17: Asia Center hosts the principal and teachers from Sublimity Elementary School in London, Kentucky. They meet with UK faculty and other advisors to gather ideas for their school’s new Japanese language program.