



JFNY NEWSLETTER | July 25th, 2025 □

Welcome to our second July newsletter! For those interested in our grants, applications for our Japan America Societies Capacity Building Grant Program are now open, and we're also hosting a Zoom for those who want more info. Plus, a new grantee exhibit is currently underway. Read below for more!

From Us



Check out our Pop Culture Series Playlist on YouTube!

Our Pop Culture Series dives deep into Japanese pop culture from professional and academic viewpoints. In past episodes, we've covered anime such as **Sailor Moon** and **Dragon Ball**, popular directors such as **Hayao Miyazaki**, **Satoshi Kon**, and **Leiji Matsumoto**, and other facets of Japanese

pop culture, such as the **Japanese video game industry**, **Godzilla**, and even **cosplay**.

Whatever your interest in Japanese pop culture lies, there's an episode for that. Watch an episode today!

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Current Opportunities



JAS / JS Capacity Building Grant Program applications now open!

Deadline: Sept. 26, 5pm EDT

We are now accepting applications for our **Japan America Societies (JAS / JS) Capacity Building Grant Program**. This program supports capacity building projects that demonstrate feasibility and organizational sustainability that will contribute to organizational growth.

To learn more about the grant and how to apply, please join us for our info session on **August 5 at 2pm**.

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From Our Grantees



Kishio Suga

Ongoing

Dia Beacon (Beacon, NY)

Dia Beacon presents an exhibition of work by **Kishio Suga**, one of the most influential figures in the history of site-specific installation in Japan. The exhibition brings together a representative group of the artist's sculptures dating from the 1960s to the mid-1990s that probe the slippages between knowing and thinking.

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JFF Theater Spotlight

JFF THEATER
NEW LINEUP
NOW STREAMING

STREAMING PERIOD
MAY.01 → AUG.01.2025

FREE STREAMING

いとみち
少女と駆け抜けろ!
お盆の鬼
こぼれにがりの塩
Love and the Grand Tug-of-war
THREE SISTERS
大団家の恋

DUE TO LICENSING RESTRICTIONS, SOME TITLES MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN CERTAIN COUNTRIES AND REGIONS.

Last week for current JFF Theater selection!
 Available until July 31 (10pm EDT)

Have you watched all the films currently available on JFF Theater? If you haven't, you have less than a week!

Featured Films:

- Ito
- The Genealogy of Sake
- A Handful of Salt
- Love and the Grand Tug-of-war
- Three Sisters
- Nabbie's Love

See an aspect of Japanese culture represented that you want to know more about? Be sure to also check out these videos on JFF Theater:

- Ki&Ki: Blending Old and New Sounds With Shamisen
- Aomori Museum of Art
- Traditional Puppet Theater: Bound by Spirits
- Kirishima Open Air Museum
- Ryuku Buyo: Okinawan Soul
- Honensai: Prayers for the Harvest
- Sakurakaza Theater (Okinawa, Japan)
- Nago City Hall - Built Environment

→ [WATCH TODAY](#)

For Your (Virtual) Shelf

For Your Virtual Shelf Celebrating Japanese Traditions



For Your (Virtual) Shelf: Celebrating Japanese Traditions

Summer is marked with all kinds of Japanese holidays, festivals, and traditions. Take a look at these books to learn more about the most common ones or even learn about new ones!

□ JULY VOL. 2 BOOKS:

- ***The Star Festival***
 - By Moni Richie Hadley
 - Radley's award-winning debut is a multigenerational retelling of the popular folktale behind the July festival
- ***Japanese Traditions***
 - By Setsu Broderick, Willamarie Moore
 - This intricately illustrated children's book explains Japanese seasonal festivals, activities and customs
- ***Cultural Heritage and Tourism in Japan***
 - By Takamitsu Jimura
 - Offering a comprehensive understanding of Japan's cultural heritage, Jimura explores everyday customs and their tie-in with tourism

There are plenty more books of all genres available. Visit the JF USA Digital Library today!

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You will need a library card to be able to borrow and place holds for the books in the digital library. Visit the Japan Foundation, Los Angeles website below for instructions on how to get your digital library card.

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From Our Friends



Cloud

Now playing!

Film at Lincoln Center (New York, NY)

IFC Center (New York, NY)

Film at Lincoln Center and IFC Center present **Cloud**, the latest thriller by director **Kiyoshi Kurosawa** (*Cure*, *Pulse*).

This film follows Yoshii, a factory worker turned swindler whose hustles in the murky realm of black-market reselling, cheating buyers and sellers alike. When he tries to disconnect from this realm after earning a large amount of money, he is plagued by a series of mysterious, sinister incidents, threatening to upend his success.

Now playing IFC Center and Film at Lincoln Center. Get your tickets today!

→ [BUY TICKETS \[Film at Lincoln Center\]](#)

→ [BUY TICKETS \[IFC Center\]](#)

Image #3 Credit: Kishio Suga, *Fieldology*, 1974/2025. Installation view, Dia Beacon, New York, 2025– . © Kishio Suga. Photo: Don Stahl

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For Grant Seekers

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Exchange

Japanese Studies

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