

October 7, 2021



## October Newsletter

### JASDFW NEWS

#### CORPORATE MEMBERS

#### PLATINUM | \$5,000



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#### Long-time Honorary Consul-General Receives Order of the Rising Sun

In September, John Stich received the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon from the Government of Japan. His honor was formally announced in November 2020 in recognition of his contributions to promoting exchange and friendship between Japan and the United States. He served as Honorary Consul-General of Japan in Dallas for 16 years through February 2020, promoting friendly understanding between Japan and North Texas.

[To learn more about John Stich and the Order of the Rising Sun, click here.](#)



**[Hybrid Event]**  
**Curator Sarah Thompson on Hokusai at the**  
**Museum of Fine Arts, Boston**

**Wednesday, October 20**

**5:30 - 7:00 p.m. CDT**

**Crow Museum and YouTube**

**Tickets: \$10-15 in-person, FREE for online tickets**

Through iconic images such as the “Great Wave,” Katsushika Hokusai (1760-1849) not only revolutionized Japanese woodblock printmaking in his own day but continues to inspire artists around the world. The Museum of Fine Arts, Boston -- home of the largest and finest collection of Japanese art outside Japan -- is a major repository of the work of Hokusai, with paintings, illustrated books, and woodblock prints representing the full span of the artist’s seven-decade career.

[Register Here](#)

[To learn more about this event, click here.](#)



**OTSUKIMI**  
MOON VIEWING FESTIVAL

**Our Popular Otsukimi Program Returns!**

**Saturday, November 20**

**6:00 - 9:00 p.m. CDT**

**Cost: FREE**

Please join us for the 2021 Otsukimi Moon Viewing Festival, taking place in Frisco for only the second time ever and our first in-person Otsukimi celebration in two years. This will be the 22nd annual Otsukimi, which has become one of North Texas’ largest Japanese cultural events. Musical performances and haiku readings will help us connect to Japan’s autumn traditions. Vendors will sell Japanese festival food and collectibles. Themed art and cultural activities will be fun for the entire family.

Please contact [madoka@jasdfw.org](mailto:madoka@jasdfw.org) or visit the link below if you would like to register to be a vendor. All vendors must comply with health code regulations from the City of Frisco.

### Vendor Registration

Please contact [paul.pass@jasdfw.org](mailto:paul.pass@jasdfw.org) or visit the link below if you or your company are interested in event sponsorship.

### Sponsorship

[To learn more about Otsukimi Moon Viewing Festival, click here.](#)

## COMMUNITY EVENTS & RESOURCES

### CORPORATE MEMBERS

**GOLD | \$2,500**

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### [Online Event] SMU Tower Center Sun & Star-Betting on the Farm: Institutional Change in Japanese Agriculture

**Thursday, October 14  
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. CDT**

In response to a long-term demographic and economic crisis in the agricultural sector, some Japanese agricultural cooperatives are transforming themselves into profitable, market-oriented business enterprises, while others remain stuck in traditional approaches to cooperation. What explains these variations in responses to shifting market forces and what do they tell us about the processes of institutional change and the future of farming in Japan?

Speaker: **Dr. Patricia Maclachlan**

- *Professor of Government & Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Professor of Japanese Studies at the University of Texas at Austin*

**Register Here**



**[Online Event] SMU Tower Center Sun & Star-Cyber Great Game: Geopolitics and Geo-economics for Data**

**Thursday, October 21  
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. CDT**

Information technologies have transformed and supported our lives and works for the past 25 years. However, the more we get dependent on them, the more they get abused. Cyberspace is becoming deeper, darker and dirtier. State actors are also more active on cyberspace and we are watching the Cyber Great Game among them - the great competition for access to our data and cognitive space.

Speaker: **Dr. Motohiro Tsuchiya**

- *Vice-President for Global Engagement and Information Technology at Keio University*
- *Professor at Keio University Graduate School of Media and Governance*

[Register Here](#)



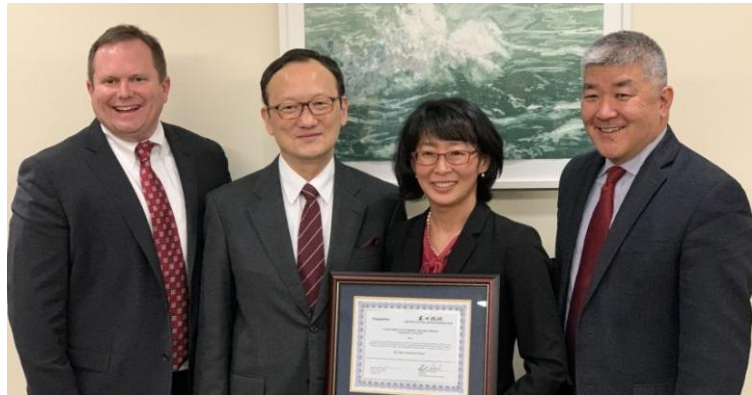
**Hiroaki Onuma - Dreams Come True**  
**September 18 - October 23**



**Tuesday - Friday by appointment**  
**Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. CDT**  
**PAO Projects**  
**830 Exposition Ave #103**  
**Dallas, TX 75226**

P.A.O. Projects is pleased to present *Dreams Come True*, a solo exhibition with emerging Japanese painter, Hiroaki Onuma. Based in Amsterdam, this is Onuma's first show in the United States and the gallery is delighted to announce representation of the artist. The exhibition represents an intimate look into the budding career of the young artist, showcasing his ability to extend beyond the confinements and restrictions of classic techniques, blending acrylic, oil, and spray paint. Onuma describes his process as "a form of improvisation with a sense of playfulness." Combined with a vivid color palette, his work ranges from abstract to surreal paintings. *Dreams Come True* will include several large-scale paintings created from 2017 to 2021.

[Learn More](#)



### **Elgin Heinz Outstanding Teacher Award**

**Application due Friday, October 15**

The Elgin Heinz Outstanding Teacher Award was created in 2001 and administered by the United States-Japan Foundation (USJF) from 2002-2019. The award is now administered by EngageAsia with support from private donors. The award is offered in two categories, Humanities and Japanese Language, and honors top teachers who have dedicated their career to furthering mutual understanding between Americans and Japanese. The award is open to current full-time K-12 classroom teachers of any relevant subject in the United States. There are two award categories, one in the humanities and one in Japanese language. The 2020 award was given in the Japanese language category and the 2021 award will be awarded in the humanities category.

[Learn More](#)

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## Studio Ghibli Fest 2021

Sunday, October 3 - Sunday, December 9

For Tickets and Prices, check you local showtimes.

For decades Studio Ghibli has created breathtakingly beautiful movies that have captivated and inspired audiences for generations through masterful storytelling and stunning visuals. Join GKIDS and Fathom Events for the annual Studio Ghibli Fest to experience the wonder of these groundbreaking, beloved animated films.

The studio has produced some of the world's most beloved films, including Ponyo, Kiki's Delivery Service, Princess Mononoke, Nausicaä of the Valley of the Wind, Tale of the Princess Kaguya, and Whisper of the Heart. Most of these films have won various international awards, such as the Academy Awards, due to their classic animation techniques and storytelling.

Studio Ghibli Fest 2021 returns with four of its most noteworthy and impactful films – Spirited Away, Howl's Moving Castle, Castle In The Sky, and My Neighbor Totoro. Tickets are **ON SALE NOW**.

[Learn More](#)

## Events Calendar

### NEW MEMBERS

#### Corporate

Texas Bank Financial

#### Individual/Family

Angelica Gonzalez  
Aurelio Gonzalez  
Dale Jenkins  
Kenta Kishimoto  
Benjamin Robert Smith  
Ben Swayze

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- [TONIGHT October 7 | SMU Tower Center Sun & Star - The East Asian COVID-19 Paradox](#)
- [October 14 | SMU Tower Center Sun & Star - Betting on the Farm: Institutional Change in Japanese Agriculture](#)
- [October 20 | Curator Sarah Thompson on Hokusai at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston](#)
- [October 21 | SMU Tower Center - The East Asian COVID-19 Paradox](#)
- [November 13-14 | Fort Worth Japanese Society Fall Festival](#)
- [November 20 | 2021 Otsukimi Moon Viewing Festival](#)
- [November 30 | SAVE-THE-DATE World Affairs Council of Dallas/Fort Worth - Economic Alliance between Japan and North Texas](#)
- [December 3-5 | Anime Frontier](#)
- [December 11 | SAVE-THE-Date 2021 Bonenkai Forget-the-Year Party](#)

**ONGOING:**

- [Now - October 23 | PAO Projects - Hiroaki Onuma Dreams Come True](#)
- [Now - December 31 | Crow Museum of Art: Born of Fire - Contemporary Japanese Women Ceramic Artists](#)
- [Now - December 31 | Samurai Collection: Iron Men: The Artistry of Iron in Samurai Armor](#)
- [October 3 - December 9 | Studio Ghibli Fest](#)

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