U.S.-JAPAN COUNCIL

2010 ANNUAL REPORT





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On behalf of the U.S.-Japan Council, we would like to thank our generous donors, partners, members, board members and staff for making 2010 such a success. This past year, the Council firmly established itself as an organization that contributes to strengthening U.S.-Japan relations by bringing together new and diverse leadership, engaging new stakeholders in the U.S.-Japan relationship, and exploring issues that can benefit community, business and government entities.

The U.S.-Japan Council presented its Inaugural Annual Conference in September 2010. It was an opportunity to discuss key topics and themes that can re-define US-Japan relations in the future such as education, transportation, and clean and green technology. Our 2nd Annual Conference will be held on October 7th-8th, 2011 in Washington, DC.

In the year 2010, the U.S.-Japan Council continued to provide collaborative events such as a major security and economic Symposium in Hawaii that was co-organized with the Japan-America Society of Hawaii. Two of the Council's cornerstone programs, the Japanese American Leadership Delegation and the Annual Meeting of Ambassador, Consuls General and Japanese American Leaders would not be possible without support from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) and the Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership.

We are fortunate as an organization to have such distinguished advisors on our Board of Councilors such as Secretary Norman Mineta, Ambassador Ryozo Kato, Governor George Ariyoshi, Chef Roy Yamaguchi and Mr. Masaaki Tanaka. Many of them participated in or attended our programs in 2010, while others have been generous in hosting receptions or providing venues.

In 2010, we were privileged to see 80 prominent Japanese American leaders and executives join the Council bringing our membership to more than 140 individuals who bring leadership, professional expertise, enthusiasm and commitment to furthering U.S.-Japan relations.

All of the programs and events from 2010 described in the following Annual Report would not have been possible without the support of our generous sponsors and donors. We extend special thanks to the Terasaki Foundation, Aratani Foundation and Hitachi, Ltd. for their major contributions in 2010. We look forward to continuing to build relationships with companies, foundations, organizations and individuals in 2011. Thank you.

Best regards,

Irene Hirano Inouye President

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Thomas Iino Chairman of the Board



U.S.-JAPAN COUNCIL MISSION & VISION



MISSION:

Strong U.S.-Japan relations are in our national and community interest. The U.S.-Japan Council promotes people-to-people connections as crucial to the U.S.-Japan relationship, the world's most important bilateral relationship. We bring together, inspire and engage Japanese Americans of all generations to work with all Americans, Nikkei and Japanese to strengthen U.S.-Japan relations.

VISION:

A vibrant Asia Pacific region through engaged and interconnected communities committed to the U.S.-Japan relationship.

OVERVIEW:

The U.S.-Japan Council is a 501(c)3 non-profit, educational organization established in 2009. The Council seeks to establish a network of Japanese American leaders who are committed to maintaining a strong U.S.-Japan relationship. Working in collaboration with American and Japanese institutions and organizations, the Council develops programs that give Japanese American leaders opportunities to add a unique perspective to this important relationship and contribute to new areas of collaboration between the two countries. The Council is headquartered in Washington, DC with a regional office in Los Angeles, California.

PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES:

- Organizing and Executing a forward-thinking, modern and meaningful Annual Conference.
- Strengthening of regional Japanese American and Japanese business networks.
- Coordinating of the annual Japanese American Leadership Delegation program.
- Coordinating the Annual Meeting of the Ambassador, Consuls General of Japan & Japanese American Leaders .
- Organizing of personal and professional networking opportunities.

MEMBERSHIP:

• The Council has more than 140 Members who are Japanese American leaders in communities across the United States and in Japan. Council Membership is by invitation.



KEY TOPICS OF 2010

In 2010, U.S.-Japan Council programs and events focused on several key topics that have been identified by both the U.S. and Japan as areas with significant potential for collaboration. In its programs, USJC brings leaders together from both sides of the Pacific to encourage new partnerships and innovative ways of working together. The 2010 topics were first introduced at the Annual Conference where working groups were established to continue dialogue and take action.

• Clean & Green Technology

The U.S. and Japan are leaders in the field of Clean & Green technology. The two countries are already working together on a number of key initiatives including carbon capture and storage, energy efficiency, Smart Grid technology, electric vehicles and nuclear energy. The Hawaii-Okinawa Energy Task Force is one example of a successful partnership.

• Education: Study Abroad & Language

The number of Japanese students studying in the U.S. has been declining for the past 15 years, as has the number of Japanese language programs in American classrooms. At the same time, there is a significant amount of enthusiasm for expanding and developing exchange and language programs. Identifying new and meaningful exchange opportunities that include sending American and Japanese American students to Japan is a chief goal of the Education working group.

• Entrepreneurship & Innovation

In the new global economy, there are infinite opportunities for entrepreneurial collaboration on a international level. Both the U.S. and Japan have strengths to contribute in entrepreneurship and innovation. The U.S. has made significant breakthroughs in basic research, applied technologies, and new industries and sectors like wireless telecommunications, while Japan has elevated the level and quality of production technology and the assembly process.

• People-to-People Organizations & Exchanges

People-to-People organizations focus on the power of relationship building . Often, these organizations start small and expand into thriving organizations in part by focusing on human, or emotional elements. Building and maintaining strong people-to-people relationships can lead to a successful new partnership or collaboration on a shared project.

• Transportation & High Speed Rail

High Speed Rail (HSR) is in the spotlight as the time approaches for the U.S. to begin awarding contracts. Japan, France, China, Germany and South Korea are all in the bidding race. Not only would HSR benefit America by creating jobs and improving transportation, but it could also be an opportunity for enhanced cooperation between the U.S. and Japan.

• Women in the Workplace & Leadership

The U.S. and Japan are among many countries looking to address the inequalities that exist for women on corporate boards or in senior executive positions.



INAUGURAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Shaping the Future of U.S.-Japan Relations

On September 20th, U.S., Japanese and Japanese American leaders from across the country gathered in Washington D.C. for the U.S.-Japan Council Inaugural Annual Conference. The Conference served as the official unveiling of the U.S.-Japan Council organization.

Vice President Joe Biden served as the keynote speaker and opened the day by painting a global picture in which Japan is the best possible partner for the United States:

All has changed in the last 15 years, circumstances have changed and it requires new thinking. I can think of no better group of folks to sit down and think together through these changes than our Japanese colleagues.

Secretary Norman Mineta also spoke at the opening session together with Senator Daniel K. Inouye, Ambassador John Roos and Ambassador Ichiro Fujisaki. After four panel sessions, a luncheon on U.S.-Japan-China trilateral relations and a member-driven working group session, the Conference came to a close with a reception on Capitol Hill. Then House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Ambassador Thomas Schieffer were amongst those who made remarks.

AT A GLANCE

- Conference Topics: Clean & Green Technology,
 Women in the Workplace, Entrepreneurship &
 Innovation, People-to-People Organizations, High
 Speed Rail, Education—Study Abroad & Language
- Sponsorship: General Dynamics, FedEx, Dade
 Medical College, EADS North America, ITO EN (North
 America), Inc., Arnold & Porter LLP, Pacific Gaurdian
 Life and the Port of Miami.
- There were **210 attendees** from the business, government, media, academic and non-profit sectors.





ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING









The 2010 Annual Members Meeting was held in conjunction with the Inaugural Annual Conference. U.S.-Japan Council Members, Board Members and invited guests traveled to Washington, DC to take part in the meeting.

The meeting featured an overview of current U.S.-Japan issues by thought leaders on the subject, including Dr. Sheila A. Smith, Senior Fellow for Japan Studies at the Council on Foreign Relations; Ambassador Ichiro Fujisaki, Japanese Ambassador to the U.S.; and Dr. Daniel Okimoto, Professor Emeritus of Stanford University.

The High Speed Rail panel explored the potential for U.S.-Japan collaboration on transportation. USJC Member Randell Iwasaki, Executive Director of the Contra Costa Transportation Authority and Torkel Patterson, President of U.S.-Japan MAGLEV, participated in the panel discussion.

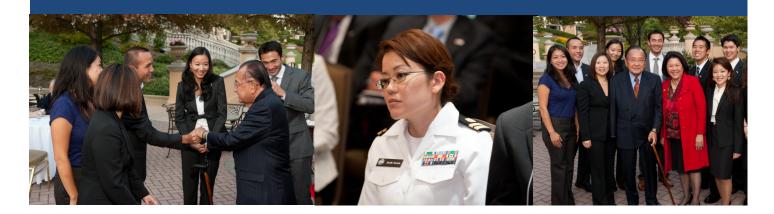
Another USJC Member, Jeanette Takamura, Dean of the School of Social Work at Columbia University joined the panel on Education, which focused on study abroad and language. The panelists examined the potential and obstacles for U.S.-Japan educational exchange. Dean Takamura attributed the declining number of students studying abroad from Japan to the shifting global economy towards China and the nature of the corporate climate in Japan. Education emerged as a major topic of interest during the Annual Conference, prompting USJC to explore what role it can play in expanding educational exchange.

All attendees engaged in roundtable discussions on some of the most pressing issues within U.S.-Japan relations. Then, strategic working groups were formed so that conversations initiated at the Annual Members Meeting could be transformed into action points during the year ahead.

The 2011 Annual Conference & Annual Members Meeting will take place on October 7th & 8th, respectively.



USJC -ITO EN LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM



The U.S.-Japan Council and ITO EN (North America), Inc. have jointly created the USJC-ITO EN Leadership Development Program, which selects eight Japanese American young professionals or college students to attend the U.S.-Japan Council Annual Conference and Annual Members Meeting. The Conference provides a forum for education and networking amongst the highest levels of leadership in business, public policy, academics and community organizations. The program aims to motivate young professionals and young leaders to pursue further activities that promote strong and positive U.S.-Japan relations.

The eight recipients for 2010 came from California, Hawaii, New York, Washington state and Washington, DC. Many of the 2010 recipients continue to stay active in Council activities, serving as ambassadors of the next generation of Japanese American leaders.

I felt extremely gracious for the opportunity to attend such a unique and monumental event, hopeful for the future of Japanese Americans as active participants in U.S.-Japan relations. Most of all, I left with a sense of community. I now have a yearning to be more involved and want to know how I can contribute further to the relationship between the United States and Japan as a young Japanese American professional.

Michael Mikawa, 2010 Recipient



My experience at the Conference was invaluable. Not only was I provided an opportunity to network with some of the highest ranking Japanese American leaders in our country, but I also directly benefited from the experience by strengthening my personal development and understanding of the most current issues impacting both countries. While the panels and sessions opened my eyes to the complexity of issues confronting both nations, my participation in the working group discussions gave me insight in how our community was coming together for the benefit of both countries.

Kendee Yamaguchi, 2010 Recipient



Annual Meeting of the Ambassador, Consuls General & Japanese American Leaders

On February 5th - 6th, the sixth Annual Meeting of the Ambassador, Consuls General & Japanese American Leaders was held in Washington, DC. The Annual Meeting is sponsored by the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs in cooperation with the U.S.-Japan Council. Thirty Japanese American leaders from around the country, Consuls General, Honorary Consuls General, Ambassador Ichiro Fujisaki, Senator Daniel K. Inouye, representatives from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership (CGP), Japanese business executives from Washington, DC and a host of other special guests gathered for the meeting.



The purpose was to bring together leadership from the 17 consulate regions with Japanese officials in Tokyo and the United States to discuss how Japanese Americans can work together with leading Japanese officials and entities to ensure a strong U.S.-Japan relationship. The meeting of the Ambassador, Consuls General, and Japanese American Leaders was preceded by parallel meetings among Japanese American leaders; the Consuls General, Embassy officials and MOFA officials; and the Consuls General and Honorary Consuls General.

The 2010 meeting focused on how to build new partnerships between the U.S. and Japan and included several Japanese Americans with expertise in the transportation industry, engaging the group in a discussion about the future potential of High Speed Rail systems in the United States. There was also a discussion about upcoming anniversary milestones in U.S.-Japan relations.

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The 2011 Annual Meeting will take place on February 11th-12th in Washington, DC



JAPANESE AMERICAN LEADERSHIP DELEGATION

A Word from the 2010 Delegates:

'Amazing and often surreal' would be the words to describe my reflections of the experience. I was blessed beyond words to be part of such a prestigious team of Japanese American leaders and participate in meetings where we discussed national challenges with members of the Keizai Doyukai, Keidanren and Forum 21.

— Moni Miyashita, Vice President, M&A Strategy, Investments & Relationships, IBM

Our delegation had uncompromised access to politicians, government officials, the Imperial Family and prominent organizations, institutions and leaders in Japan that one would expect only to encounter in the news. The trip provided me with the opportunity for genchi kenbutsu (to see and experience first-hand) what prominent Japanese and Americans living in Japan were thinking about U.S.-Japan relations.

— Dayne Kono, President and Managing Director, Masuda, Funai, Eifert & Mitchell, Ltd.

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In honor of the 10th Anniversary of the JALD program, thirteen delegates were selected from the highest levels of leadership and accomplishment in business, law, government, education. philanthropy, and in the Japanese American community. The delegates hailed from ten cities across the United States and now join the growing network of JALD alumni, numbering over 120 individuals, who are committed to fostering and deepening U.S.-Japan relations.

From February 27th through March 6th, 2010, the delegates traveled to Kyoto, Osaka and Tokyo, where they met with preeminent leaders including Prime Minister Yukio Hatoyama, Foreign Minister Katsuya Okada, State Secretary Koichi Takemasa, Her Imperial Highness Princess Takamado, U.S. Ambassador John Roos, and business leaders from Nippon Keidanren, Kankeiren, Keizai Doyukai and Forum 21. The role of Japanese Americans in promoting closer bilateral relations was a prominent part of each discussion.

The Japanese American Leadership Delegation program is co-sponsored by the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership. The U.S.-Japan Council provides program administration and organization.





HAWAII SYMPOSIUM - THE ROAD AHEAD

The Road Ahead for U.S.-Japan Relations in the Asia Pacific Region

On December 3rd, top U.S. and Japanese officials met in Honolulu to observe the 50thanniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security. The Symposium drew more than 250 business and government leaders to discuss security and economic initiatives in technology and renewable energy. Bridging from APEC 2010 Japan to APEC 2011 USA in Hawaii was also a major theme, and several members of the APEC Hawaii Host Committee were in attendance. The Symposium was presented by the U.S.-Japan Council (USJC) in cooperation with the Japan-America Society of Hawaii. U.S.-Japan Council Board Member Stephen Kagawa shares his description of the Symposium:

Dynamic, inspiring, and transforming are just a few words that come to mind in describing the symposium. Dynamic - in part because of the incredible array of highly qualified and well prepared presenters. Inspiring - to witness the frank sharing of ideas and opinions, the budding collaborative initiatives and the new relationships that emerged from the people-to-people exchange sought by the U.S.-Japan Council and its mission. No doubt, this event helped to transform relations between Japanese and Japanese Americans and the people of Japan and the United States as a whole.

AT A GLANCE

- Keynote Speakers: M.R.C. Greenwood, University of Hawaii;
 Governor Hidehiko Yuzaki, Hiroshima Prefecture; Admiral Robert
 Willard, U.S.-Pacific Command; and Ambassador Thomas Schieffer,
 former U.S. Ambassador to Japan.
- **Sponsorship:** Lockheed Martin, Watanabe Ing LLP, First Insurance Company of Hawaii, Ltd., Oceanit Laboratories, Inc., aio Group, FedEx, the United States-Japan Foundation, and General Dynamics.
- Participating Organizations: The Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce, Pacific Forum CSIS, Pacific and Asian Affairs Council, United Japanese Society of Hawaii and Hawaii United Okinawa Association.



Japan-America Society of Hawaii





WASHINGTON, DC JOINT POLICY LUNCHEON

A Conversation with Norman Mineta — A Discussion on the Japan Airlines and American Airlines Alliance



On July 19th, the U.S.-Japan Council collaborated with the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) to present "A Conversation with Norman Mineta." The event was a part of CFR's Roundtable Series on Japan in Northeast Asia. Dr. Sheila A. Smith, Senior Fellow for Japan Studies at CFR moderated the discussion.

At the event, Former U.S. Secretary of Commerce and Transportation Norman Mineta sat down with a small group in Washington, DC to share his experience and relationship with Dr. Kazuo Inamori of Japan Airlines (JAL), which ultimately led to the JAL and American Airlines' Open Skies Agreement.

Secretary Mineta, a member of the USJC Board of Councilors, met Dr. Inamori long before Dr. Inamori became the Chairman of Japan Airlines

in 2010. The relationship they built over time reinforces the importance of establishing and maintaining strong people-to-people connections. He also emphasized the importance and responsibility of leaders to advise and share information that affect policy and business decisions.

Secretary Mineta's remarks highlighted the fact that there are many new opportunities for the U.S. and Japan to work together in the realm of transportation. This is especially the case with High Speed Rail, one of the U.S.-Japan Councils' major themes for 2010. The U.S.-Japan Council is looking forward to co-hosting similar policy events with the Council on Foreign Relations in 2011.

COUNCIL on FOREIGN RELATIONS



JAPANESE GOVERNORS' MEETING

Ambassador John Roos, Professor Daniel Okimoto and Japanese Governors' Meeting Held in Tokyo, Japan



Ambassador John Roos, the current U.S. Ambassador to Japan, and Dr. Daniel Okimoto, who serves on the USJC Board of Councilors, called together a meeting with the Governors of Fukuoka, Oita, Shizuoka, and Hiroshima prefectures, along with former New Jersey Senator Bill Bradley and USJC Board Member Hideki Hamamoto on November 15th.

The meeting, hosted at Japan Foundation headquarters and convened by the U.S.-Japan Council, was an opportunity to initiate conversation with the prefectural governors and to think about regional resources such as companies, projects, and research & development deemed suitable for bilateral cooperation with specific U.S. states like Hawaii and California. The opportunities range from alternative energy (such as hydrogen) to electrical transportation and smart grid technology. This effort led by Dr. Okimoto, Professor Emeritus of Stanford University, is part of a grant supported by the United States-Japan Foundation. Follow up meetings between U.S. and Japanese governors are being planned for 2011.





A RECEPTION ON CAPTIOL HILL



On Monday, July 26th, notable politicians, diplomats, business leaders, U.S.-Japan Council corporate sponsors and other distinguished guests gathered in the U.S. Capitol building for a reception hosted by Senator Daniel K. Inouye.

U.S.-Japan Council President Irene Hirano, together with Chairman Thomas lino, addressed the attendees by providing an introduction to USIC and highlighting the important role of Japanese Americans in today's society. They also thanked the Council's supporters including

representatives from new corporate sponsors, FedEx and General Dynamics.

Senator Inouye and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi also addressed the attendees, emphasizing the importance of building lasting individual relationships in order to unite the two nations. Speaker Pelosi spoke fondly about her visit to Hiroshima to attend the G-8 Speakers Conference two years ago. She recounted how special it was, because many of the families of the Japanese and Japanese Americans who live in her district came from Hiroshima.

The U.S.-Japan Council was privileged to have Speaker Pelosi, Senator Daniel Akaka, Congresswoman Mazie Hirono, Congresswoman Doris Matsui and Secretary Eric Shinseki at the reception. Ambassador John

Roos, Ambassador Thomas Foley and Ambassador Ichiro Fujisaki were also in attendance.



In addition, there was a strong presence of Japanese business leaders at the event, led by Takashi Ohde of the Japan Commerce Association of Washington, DC. Representatives from Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd., Hitachi, Ltd., ITOCHU International, Inc., Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Mitsubishi International Corporation, Mitsui USA, Sumitomo Corporation of America, Toshida America, Inc., and Toyota Motor North America, Inc. were in attendance.



TSUNAGERU HAWAII RECEPTION



Nearly 100 supporters of the U.S.-Japan Council attended the "Tsunageru" Hawaii Reception hosted by the First Hawaiian Bank in Honolulu, Hawaii on August 25th. Attendees enjoyed delicious food and premium Japanese sake and beer at The Bankers Club in the First Hawaiian Center as they learned about USJC's mission and vision.

The program featured Don Horner, Chairman & CEO of First Hawaiian Bank, U.S.-Japan Council President Irene Hirano Inouye, and Senator Daniel K. Inouye, who delivered the keynote message underscoring the importance of building and strengthening U.S.-Japan relations.

Consul General of Japan Yoshihiko Kamo and his wife, Etsuko, Congresswoman Mazie Hirono, USJC Board Members Hideki Hamamoto, Michael Hirai, Stephen Kagawa, and Colbert Matsumoto and a host of prominent AJA business leaders in Hawaii were in attendance. Peter Ho, APEC 2011 Hawaii Host Committee Chair, Gregg Yamanaka, CEO, and Randy Perreira, Host Committee Member also attended.

USJC Board Member, Michael Hirai, led the Hawaii Reception Planning Committee supported by USJC Members Wendy Abe, Susan Eichor, and Mark Yamakawa. The event raised funds to support USJC activities.



JAPANESE HERITAGE NIGHT AT CITI FIELD

Several U.S.-Japan Council Members, led by Ann Harakawa, Principal at Two Twelve graphic design firm, worked together to bring Japanese Heritage Night to Citi Field on August 27th. It was the first time the New York Mets hosted such an event, marking the growing influence of the Japanese and Japanese American communities in the region.

Japanese Heritage Night was also unique, because it brought several Japanese American organizations together in planning the event. The U.S.-Japan Council (USJC), Japanese American Association of New York, Inc. (JAA), Japanese Americans and Japanese in America (JAJA), Japanese American National Museum, Japan Society and the Japanese American Veterans Association were among the participating organizations for the event.



Shinichi Nishimiya, Ambassador and Consul General of Japan, was at Citi
Field for Japanese Heritage Night and participated in a special award
ceremony recognizing Japanese Americans. In addition to the awards ceremony, the evening's
entertainment featured Taiko drumming. Japanese folk dancing, a scoreboard welcome and the

entertainment featured Taiko drumming , Japanese folk dancing, a scoreboard welcome and the singing of the National anthem by Kurt Kanazawa.

Recently, there has been a most welcome surge in activity by various Japanese American organizations in and around New York, one of the aims being to engage the expat and long-term Japanese community in the area. The Mets hosting their first Japanese Heritage Night at Citi Field is an excellent attempt to pull together all those interested in furthering such causes in a most enjoyable setting.

— Ambassador Shinichi Nishimiya

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JAPANESE AMERICAN / JBA SOFTBALL GAME



On September 12th, the Japan Business Association (JBA) hosted its 47th Annual Softball Tournament. As a part of the tournament, the JBA invited leaders of the Japanese American community to play in a special commemorative game to open the tournament.

The event, co-organized by the U.S.-Japan Council, featured an exhibition game between the Japanese American (JA) Dream Team versus the JBA All Stars. The event was a great success, complete with an opening ceremony, 5 innings, official JA team cheerleaders, and enthusiastic spectators.

Mr. Yuichi Okura, President of the JBA of Southern California, Deputy Chief Terry Hara from the Los Angeles Police Department, 2010-2011Nisei Week Queen Lani Nishiyama and Princess Lauren Terumi Weber were all in attendance for the morning's opening ceremonies. Deputy Consul General Yusuke Shindo delivered a welcome address, followed by Mr. Okura's words about the importance of collaboration between Japanese Americans and the Japanese business community.

It was an exciting game with the JBA All Stars coming through with the 8-5 victory, thanks to three runs towards the end of the game. The JBA All Stars may have won bragging rights, but everyone left the game a winner, as the USJC and the JBA successfully made progress towards forging stronger relationships.

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FEATURED NETWORKING EVENTS



March 16th — New York Nikkei Reception

Ambassador Nishimiya and his wife hosted a reception at their residence on March 16th to promote further networking among Japanese Americans, develop a vibrant Japanese American Community in the greater New York area, and encourage further interest and understanding towards Japan. Leaders of Japanese American organizations including the U.S.-Japan Council, the Japanese American National Museum, the Japanese American Citizens League, New York Nikkeijin kai, and the New York JET Alumni Association were in attendance. Other guests included Japanese

Americans representing diverse professions including business, academia, government, NPO, media, and culture and arts.

May 21st — Placido Domingo at the Broad Stage

U.S.-Japan Council Member Mr. Bill Imada, CEO of IW Group Inc., hosted a joint event on May 21, 2010 with members of the U.S.-Japan Council and the Japan Business Association of Southern California (JBA) at the Broad Stage in Santa Monica to continue to forge strong ties between Japanese and Japanese Americans in the Los Angeles area. It was a special evening featuring a performance in which Placido Domingo conducted the LA Opera Orchestra and Domingo-Thornton Young Artists in a program of Zarzuela.



The reception that followed allowed attendees to interact and network. Senator Daniel K. Inouye, Consul General Junichi Ihara, U.S.-Japan Council President Irene Hirano Inouye, and JBA President Mr. Yuichi Okura, General Manager, Bank of Tokyo Mitsubishi UFJ, Los Angeles Branch were some of the featured guests. Each spoke about the significance of encouraging personal relations between the U.S.-Japan Council and Japan Business Association.



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U.S.-Japan Council Board of Directors and Board of Councilors at the 2010 U.S.-Japan Council Inaugural Annual Conference



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Maintaining a meaningful bilateral relationship requires vision and dedication from governments and citizens on both sides of the Pacific. The USJC Board of Councilors and Board of Directors represent an impressive roster of government, private sector, and NPO leaders who are all committed to maintaining the U.S.-Japan relationship.

-Ambassador John Roos



U.S.-JAPAN COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

The U.S.-Japan Council is comprised of distinguished Japanese American leaders with an interest in promoting U.S.-Japan relations through their involvement in business, politics, non-profit, media and academic sectors. Together, this network of leaders is able to share ideas and collaborate on important initiatives that shape the bilateral and global relationships. U.S.-Japan Council Membership is by invitation.

USJC Members

140 Council Members

81 members joined in 2010

I became a member of the U.S.-Japan Council because I believe in community involvement, especially when it comes to honoring my heritage. I am also deeply motivated by gender equality and want to leverage U.S.-Japan Council resources to engage professional women on both sides of the Pacific.

— U.S.-Japan Council Member and Board Member Elect, Jan Yanehiro.

Regional Breakdown of Members

Region	# of Members
Southern California	33
Hawaii	22
NY & Vicinity	21
WDC & Vicinity	19
Northern California	16
Pacific Northwest	13
Japan	4
Southeast	3
Southwest	3
Midwest	3
Northeast	2
American Territories	1
Grand Total	140





U.S.-JAPAN COUNCIL MANAGEMENT & STAFF

Management



Irene Hirano Inouye is President of the U.S.-Japan Council, appointed in April 2009. She is the former President and founding CEO of the Japanese American National Museum in Los Angeles, an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution. After 20 years, she stepped down from her CEO position in spring 2008 with her marriage to U.S. Senator Daniel K. Inouye. A recipient of a B.A. and an M.A. in Public Administration from the University of Southern California, Ms. Hirano Inouye has more than 35 years of experience in nonprofit administration, community education, and public affairs with culturally diverse communities

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Featured U.S.-Japan Council Programs & Events

- ◆ February 11th − 12th —Ambassador, Consuls-General, Japanese American Leaders and Special Guests Meeting in Washington, DC
- March 4th 12th Japanese American Leadership Delegation Trip to Tokyo, Osaka, and Kyoto
- May 30th 31st Japan Leaders Meeting in Tokyo, Japan
- October 7th 8th U.S.-Japan Council Annual Conference & Members Meeting in Washington, DC
- November USIC Reception in conjunction with APEC 2011 USA in Hawaii
- December Symposium in Los Angeles, California

Regional U.S.-Japan Council Programs & Events

The Council develops regional programs throughout the year in major metropolitan areas to bring together audiences who are interested in leading U.S.-Japan related topics and events. Previous regional programs included Washington, D.C. policy luncheons, New York Mets Japanese Heritage Night and a Hawaii Symposium on U.S.-Japan relations and economic collaboration opportunities.

The Council welcomes new program ideas and will work together with local members, partner organizations and sponsors to develop events that benefit the community. Programs in 2011 are planned for the following U.S. regions:

- ♦ Honolulu, HI
- ♦ Los Angeles, CA
- New York, NY
- Seattle, WA
- Silicon Valley U.S.-Japan Entrepreneurs' Summit
- Washington, D.C. Policy luncheons
- Other cities for consideration: Chicago, IL; Boston, MA; San Francisco, CA; Portland, OR





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The Aratani Foundation was founded by George Aratani, a Japanese American entrepreneur who established international corporations, Mikasa, Kenwood and AMCO. As one of many philanthropic endeavors by George Aratani and his wife Sakaye, the Aratani Foundation contributes to the passing on and development of Japanese culture, U.S.-Japan cultural interchange and the development of the Nikkei community.

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