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Five College Center on East Asian Studies and TEA Cosponsored Webinar: *Somewhere Among.* **Tuesday, April 11, 2017.** This webinar will feature author Annie Donwerth-Chikamatsu, whose book *Somewhere Among* tells the story of a bicultural fifthgrader living in Japan in 2001. Register here.

NCTA-TEA Colorado-Wyoming Seminar: *Teaching Korea in the Globalizing World*. Dates: June 15 – September 30, 2017. Priority application deadline: April 21, 2017. Presenting authentic voices through Korean narratives and texts, this seminar will offer teachers the opportunity to engage in study, analysis, and discussion of scholarship related to Korea's interactions with the modern world. Participants will work with Korean studies scholars and specialists to learn about the Korean people's experience of colonialism, democracy, the Cold War, communism, command economics, and capitalism in the past 125 years. Open to 30 Colorado and Wyoming teachers grades 6-12. Offered through a combination of online, residential, and one-day workshop formats for a total of 30 hours, with graduate credit optional. For more information and to apply, visit the TEA website. For more information, email Catherine.Ishida@colorado.edu.

TEA 2017 STARTALK Program: Chinese Language Instruction in the Digital Age: A STARTALK Program on Incorporating Learner-Centered Technology Tools in the Chinese Language Curriculum. June 22-30, 2017. Application deadline: Friday, May 5, 2017. This residential program for middle and high school Chinese language teachers nationwide will provide a thorough understanding of and practical experience with effective learning technologies appropriate for the Chinese language classroom. Program participants will work with language technology specialists, experienced Chinese language curriculum designers, and master teachers to gain competency in using a variety of technologies in effective and engaging lessons. See complete details and application on the TEA website. Contact Jon Zeljo at Jon.Zeljo@colorado.edu for more information.

National Opportunities

New Book Group from Asia for Educators and NCTA: Young Samurai: The Way of the Warrior. April 12 – May 9, 2017. This online group will focus on the middle school novel Young Samurai, which tells the story of Jack Fletcher, a young English sailor shipwrecked in Edo period Japan. Supplementary readings and resources will provide

teachers with essential background on what samurai really were. Register here.

Previously Announced National Opportunities

FCCEAS Webinar Series. The Five College Center for East Asian Studies is offering the following webinars in May (also see *Somewhere Among* in TEA Programs):

- *Sachiko: A Nagasaki Bomb Survivor's Story*, with author Caren Stelson. Wednesday, May 3, 2017, 7:00 PM EDT. **Registration**.
- *Midnight in Broad Daylight*, author Pamela Rotner Sakamoto. Wednesday, May 10, 2017, 7-8 pm EDT. **Registration**.

Korean War Legacy Foundation Summer Conference for Educators. July 11-14, 2017. This conference will focus on classroom use of artifacts in the Korean War Digital Archive. The conference will be held in Washington, DC. Teachers who complete related initiatives will become eligible for travel support and a possible future study tour to Korea. Application for the summer conference is available here.

Colorado Programs

WorldDenver Speaker Series: *Nuclear Non-Proliferation*. Wednesday, April 12, 2017, 5:30-7:30 pm. Joseph Cirincione, president of the Ploughshares Fund and member of former Secretary of State John Kerry's International Security Advisory Board, will address issues around nuclear non-proliferation in 2017. \$20 WorldDenver members; \$35 non-members. Register at the WorldDenver website.

Denver Cherry Blossom Festival. Saturday, June 24, 2017, 11 am – 6 pm and Sunday, June 25, 11 am – 4 pm. This *sakura matsuri* features live music, including taiko drum performances, as well as traditional Japanese dance, cultural demonstrations, arts and crafts, and family activities. Japanese foods will be available for purchase. The free festival will be held in Denver on Lawrence Street between 19th and 20th Streets. For more information, including an entertainment schedule for both days, visit the festival **website**.

NCTA State and Local Opportunities

East Asia in the Classroom 2017 — Mississippi. June 5-9, 2017. Application deadline: Saturday, April 15, 2017. The 30-hour seminar on East Asian history and culture will incorporate primary source selections from the Chinese, Korean, and Japanese traditions. In addition to learning about key issues in East Asia, participants will be introduced to the vast range of primary sources and resources available for teaching. The seminar will be held on the campus of the University of Mississippi (Oxford). For more information, visit the Croft Institute for International Studies website.

Featured Resources

Asia Matters for America/America Matters for Asia is a new online resource from the East-West Center. The website focuses on U.S.-Asia Pacific relations under the Trump Administration. Find out more about the Asia Pacific region's importance in terms of trade and investment, security, immigration/Asian-Americans, and social, educational, and cultural exchanges at one convenient location.

The Crane Girl: Based on Japanese Folktales (Shen's Books/Lee and Low) is a new adaptation of the classic Japanese folktale about gratitude. Haiku poet Curtis Manley has written the story in alternating prose and haiku. The picture book supports teaching about cranes, the Edo period (through the illustrations by Lin Wang), Japanese folktales, and haiku.