



Memorial Day Service

This coming Memorial Day, Monday, May 27, will be the 65th anniversary commemoration by Japanese American communities on the Los Angeles west side at the *ireito* – memorial tower – at Woodlawn Cemetery to honor the area’s *Issei* pioneers and *Nisei* soldiers who died in WWII and the Korean War.

West LA’s Japanese Institute of Sawtelle is the 2024 host of the memorial service that has taken place since 1959. Ministers and representatives from **Venice Free Methodist Church, Venice Hongwanji Buddhist Temple, West LA Buddhist Temple, West LA Holiness Church** and **West LA United Methodist Church**, along with representatives from **Boy Scout Troop 764, Venice Japanese**

Community Center, and West LA’s Japanese Institute of Sawtelle will be participating. Additionally, the **Santa Monica Nikkeijin Kai**, through the Santa Monica Nikkei Hall Fund via the Asian Pacific Community Fund, continues to support this historically special community event.

All VJCC members are encouraged to attend the combined Buddhist and Christian Memorial Day Service. The service will be conducted in both English and Japanese and will begin at 9:00 a.m. Woodlawn Cemetery is located in Santa Monica, on the corner of 14th Street and Pico Boulevard. ♡



VJCC ♥ DIY

One of the current perks of being honored as a new *Keiro* (respected elder) at the annual VJCC *Shinnen Kai* & *Keiro Kai* is receiving a beautiful hand-crocheted lei, made by **Roseann Yoshida**. Roseann’s recent Crochet Rosebud Lei workshop ensures that our Keiro Kai lei-giving tradition can go on for generations! ♡



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Thursday & Saturday
June 6, 8, 13, 15 & 20

6:30PM - 8:30PM



Board Visions

DOWN AND DIRTY

CLEAN UP DAY... the one day that VJCC asks our membership to come and clean up the Community Center in as many ways as possible. Which means doing manual work, sometimes on your knees cleaning, scrubbing and polishing. The floors are swept & wet mopped, windows are dusted & Windexed, and the tables and chairs are all Formula 409 cleansed. Not to mention the bathrooms are scrubbed down even as far as using toothbrushes.

In the past, VJCC clubs, organizations and individual members responded well by sending many volunteers to the clean-up. Everyone that participated was always willing to do any task asked of them which meant sometimes getting “down and dirty.” Each time there is an abundance of workers, work starts at 8 AM and the job is completed by 9:30 to 10 AM. There is plenty of time for the remainder of the day for church, temple and family.

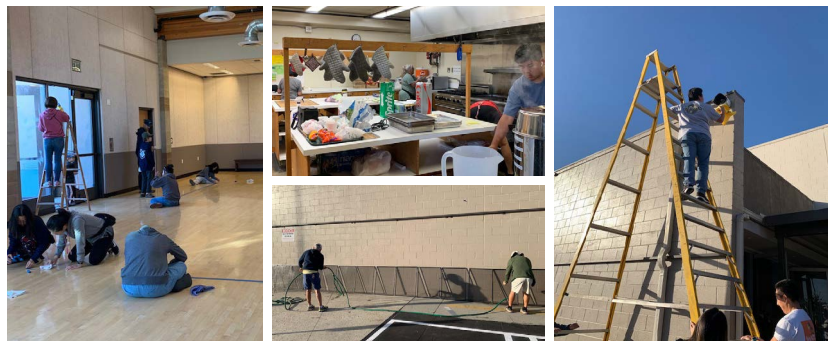
The day always starts off with refreshments of donuts and drinks consisting of coffee, soda and water. By the end of clean up, everyone is treated to fried rice or something similar for their efforts. Besides cleaning all aspects of the Center and getting rid of unnecessary items, the day becomes a SOCIAL EVENT for the clubs to work together, meet members of other organizations and see friends.

With VJCC members taking part in the maintenance of the Center, it is one way they take pride in and become part of the Community. Remember, the COMMUNITY CENTER belongs to the membership and organizations.

Let's keep the Center a clean environment, even if it means getting “DOWN AND DIRTY.” Please join in the endeavor on Sunday, August 25.



Eric Inouye



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Summer Festival – April 2024

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Legacy Tree: April 2024

The VJCC gratefully acknowledges donations and pledges towards the Legacy Tree:
None to report.

SAVE THESE DATES

Memorial Day Service

Woodlawn Cemetery
Monday, May 27, 9:00 a.m.

Summer “Natsu Matsuri” Festival

Saturday & Sunday, June 22 & 23

Summer BINGO

Saturday, August 17

Annual Clean-up

Sunday, August 25

Arts & Crafts Fair

Saturday, September 28

Golf Tournament

Monday, September 30

Please check VJCC.com for the latest updates.

Board Vision by Eric Inouye – May 2024

クリーンアップデーは、VJCC が会員の皆様にコミュニティセンターの清掃をお願いする日です。それは手仕事、時には膝をついての掃除、こすり洗い、磨き上げなどです。床は掃き掃除、モップがけ、窓はホコリ取り、ウィンデックスでの窓みがき、テーブルや椅子はすべてフォーミュラ 409 で洗浄します。バスルームはもちろん、歯ブラシを使って磨き上げます。

過去には、VJCC のクラブ、団体、個人会員が清掃活動に多くのボランティアの人を集めてくれました。参加者は皆どんな仕事でも喜んで引き受けてくれました。時には ほこりまみれになることもありました。毎回朝 8 時に作業を開始し、9 時半から 10 時までには完了します。残りの時間は教会や寺院、家族のためにゆっくり過ごす時間が十分あります。

清掃の日はいつも、ドーナツとコーヒー、ソーダ、水が用意されます。後片付けが終わるころには、みんなにチャーハンやその他のものが振るまわれます。

センターのあらゆる面を掃除し、不要なものを処分します。
この日は、各クラブが協力し合い、他団体のメンバーに会ったり、友人に会ったりするための社交イベントでもあります。

VJCC 会員がセンターのメンテナンスに参加することは、彼らがセンターを誇りに思い、地域の一員であることに誇りを持ち、その一員となる一つの方法です。
コミュニティ・センターは会員と団体のものだけということをお忘れなくください。

たとえそれが ほこりまみれになることであっても、センターを清潔な環境に保ちましょう。たとえ、ほこりまみれになるとしても、8 月 25 日（日）の活動にぜひご参加ください。

イノウエ エリック



BINGO IS BACK!

Saturday, August 17

* Check VJCC.com for more details coming soon.



Senior Wellness Program

MAY 2024

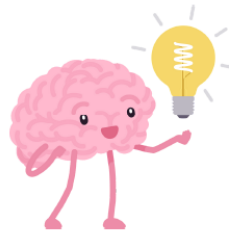


SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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5	6 10-11am Tai Chi (MPR) 11:15am Spring Craft Activity (CL)	7 10-12pm Chinese Mahjong (MPR)	8	9 10am-12pm DSMP (CL)	10	11
12	13 10-11am Tai Chi (MPR)	14 10-12pm Chinese Mahjong (MPR) 10-11am Brain Exercise Activity (CL)	15	16 10am-12pm DSMP (CL)	17	18
19	20 10-11am Tai Chi (MPR)	21 10-12pm Chinese Mahjong (MPR)	22	23	24 Location: MPR= Multipurpose Room CL = Classroom	25
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Spring Arts and Crafts Activity "Tissue Paper Flowers"

Monday, May 6th 11:15 - 12:30pm
(light lunch will be served)
Must RSVP (limit to 20 people - walk ins may not be accommodated)



Brain Exercise Activity with Toyoko Fujimoto

(led in both English & Japanese)
Tuesday, May 14th 10-11am
(Please RSVP)

All classes and activities are FREE to all VJCC members 60 years and older. Our number one priority is the safety of our participants. All classes and activities may still follow strict CDC protocols. e.g., face covering. Participants must be fully vaccinated and had taken first booster shot. Scheduled events can change without notice. Any questions or to RSVP please contact Gayle Hiramí @ gayle_hiramí@yahoo.com. or call the VJCC office at 310.822.8885.

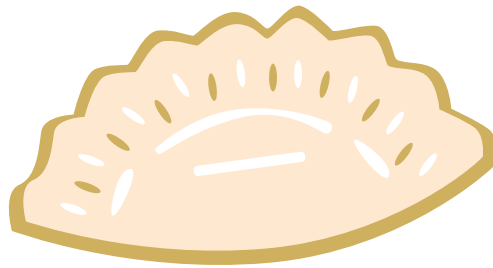
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VJCC Zumba Club
May 2024

In April we remembered to celebrate Earth Day with songs related to our planet.

We no longer have a Wednesday evening class, but we are moving forward with our class on Tuesday mornings at 9 AM. We are a small group, so students of all abilities are welcome. The class is a good way to move and groove with uncomplicated moves. It's fitness in disguise. It is also a nice way to socialize and build coordination and balance.

TUES. LIVE - Zumba® @9:00 AM - -
at the Gym Stage
at the VJCC (Venice Japanese Community Center)

Membership at the VJCC is required (\$30 annually until end of the year) Fee applies - \$6 Walk-in, \$25/5 classes, or \$45/10 classes. Liability waiver must be filled out.

For questions contact:
Leonore Miller
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My instructor page:
<https://leonorem.zumba.com>



Keiro's Community Survey Results are In!

What PROGRAMS or SERVICES would be most beneficial in navigating your AGING JOURNEY? (for respondents or their loved ones)

<p>58% Social programs hosted at Japanese American community centers</p>	<p>58% Transportation services</p>
<p>51% In-home support with activities of daily living</p>	<p>50% In-home support with instrumental activities of daily living</p>

Keiro conducted a survey in summer 2023 to assess the needs and preferences of older adults and caregivers as part of an ongoing commitment to better understand the evolving needs of Our Community. For more information and results of the survey, visit keiro.org/survey

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April 2024

Venice Gakuen welcomed a lot of new students this spring.

J1 class is perfect for middle & high school Japanese language learners who want to get extra practice listening & speaking in Japanese. This month, the J1 students learned the Japanese concept of もったいない (*mottainai*) and shared their thoughts on what would be *mottainai*.

Y2 class is a brand new class for first-time Japanese learners. The students are learning hiragana and words very quickly, and will soon start reading simple sentences.

Y1 class is our early learners class. With repetition and games, the students learn basic words and simple phrases.



Coming Up in May 2024

Venice Gakuen students helped display こいのぼり (*koinobori* / carp windsocks) on the VJCC flagpole. *Koinobori* is displayed during こどもの日 (*Kodomo no Hi* / Children's Day) on May 5th, where families hope for a healthy growth of their boys. The *koinobori* will be on display throughout the month of May.

Venice Gakuen Classes

Y1: beginner, ages 5-7

Learn to read/write hiragana; Learn basic words and phrases through games and songs

J1: beg/int, ages 12-17

Learn more complex sentence structures through games and roleplay. Must know hiragana & katakana, some basic words and simple sentences.

NEW! Y2: Japanese Basics, ages 8-17

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Venice Gakuen | Saturdays 9am - 12pm | Email: venicegakuen.office@gmail.com

Established in 1925, Venice Gakuen teaches Japanese language and culture to students K-12 every Saturday. Instruction runs August - June with a monthly tuition of \$90.

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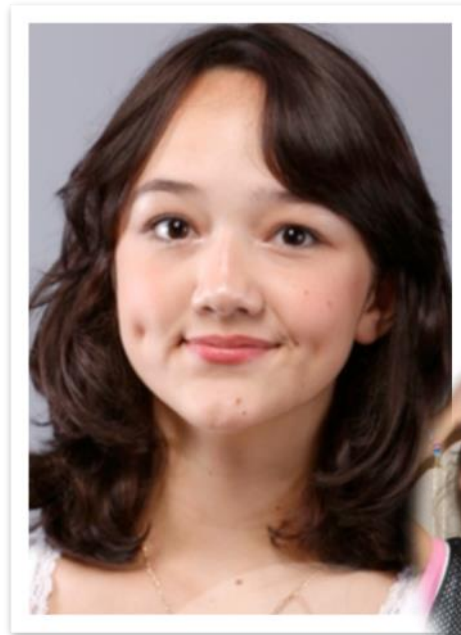
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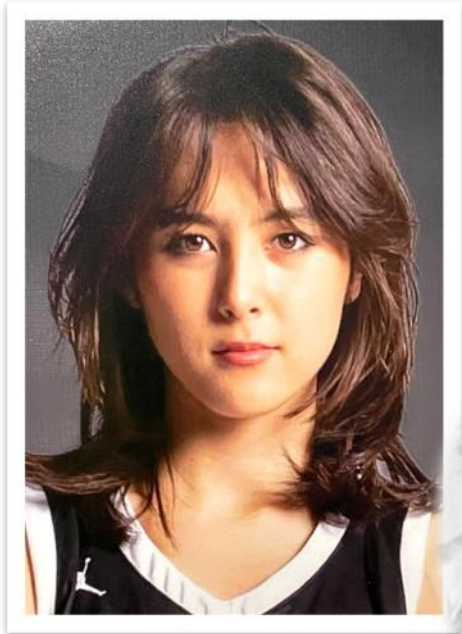
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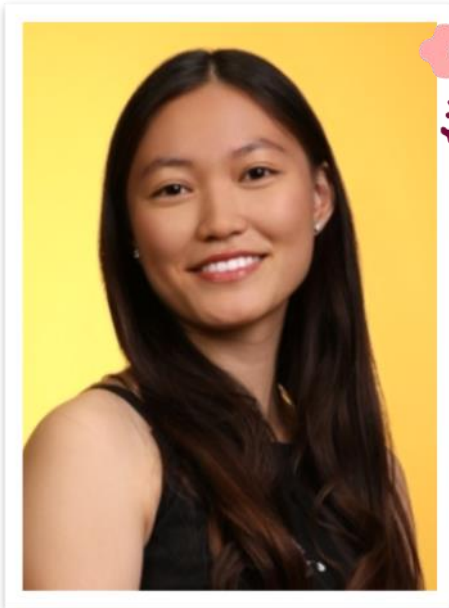
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VENICE KARATE CLUB

May 2024

We hope everyone and their families are doing well. Summer is approaching fast, and many of us are excitedly putting together plans. The Summer Natsu Matsuri Festival is scheduled for June 22-23, and will be the first festival post-Covid to have both Saturday and Sunday events. Our food booth is returning as well, so I am sure Sensei Kelvin Uyeda has already reserved a spot for first in line to try the festival favorite. We hope to see everyone at the festival and booth to support our club and CC, but also for our food and demonstration!

Upcoming Events

June 22-23: Summer Natsu Matsuri Festival - Karate Club Booth and Demonstration

Test Results / Promotions

Kyu tests were held for Venice Karate Club students on April 15th. The results are as follows:

9th kyu – Kotora Diadhon, Pin Ng, Rakuto Ito

8th kyu – Mare Ito, Jackson Lee, Mike Lee, Brielle Nakasawa

7th kyu – Felix Campe (B), Juliana Castillo, Justin Castillo (B), Akemi Hayashibara, Tim Horton, Tristin Horton (B), Liam Mac (B)

6th kyu – Kyle Kunishima (B), Andres Lopez, Ricardo Lopez, Ririka Lopez, Myles Thadani (B), Noah Uehara (B),

5th kyu – Kai Knox (B), Lauren Sasaki

3rd kyu – Ritsuko Fong, Luke Fong (B), Ami Swanson (B), Eric Swanson (B)

2nd kyu – Kayla Yamada

re-exam – Tyler Ido Portillo

Tests for dan and for certifications were conducted by Naka Sensei on March 16, 2024.

The following Venice club members had their dan ranking transferred to JKA. i.e., their ISKF rank is now also JKA rank. These were:

Sanjar Zafar – 4th dan.

Jin Kuboshima – 2nd dan

Tom Suzuki passed the Examiner test and now has JKA D level Examiner Certification.



4月15日のテストの結果をお知らせします。

9級—ディアハウ コトラさん、ンガ ピンさん、イトウ ラクトさん

8級—イトウ マレさん、リー ジャクソンさん、リー マイクさん、ナカサワ プレイリーさん

7級—キャンペ フェリックスさん (B)、カスティヨ ジュリアナさん、カスティヨ ジャスティンさん (B)、林原あけみさん、ホートン ティムさん、ホートン トリスティンさん (B)、マック リアムさん (B)

6級—クニシマ カイルさん (B)、ロペス アンドレスさん、ロペス リカルドさん、ロペス リリカさん、サダニマイルスさん (B)、ウエハラ ノアさん (B)

5級—ノックス カイさん (B)、ササキ ローレンさん

3級—フォング リツコさん、フォング ルークさん (B)、スワンソン アミさん (B)、スワンソン エリックさん (B)

2級—ヤマダ ケイラさん

再テスト ポーティロ イド タイラーさん

段テストと認定試験は、3月16日に中先生によって実施されました。段テストを受けた方は、ISKFでのランクがJKAに移行されました。ザファー サンジャーさんが4段、久保島仁さんが2段、鈴木徹さんがテストの検査官の資格に合格し、JKAのDレベルの試験官の証書を授与されました。皆さん、おめでとうございます。

空手クラブでは、5月から練習時間が、毎週月曜日と木曜日午後7時から9時15分に変更になりました。何か運動を始めたいと思っている方は、是非一度見学にいらしてください。

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May 2024

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Our VJCC-sponsored programs continue to be popular with our seniors. Our volunteers' mission is to make our seniors to get up, get dressed, and get going...and to look forward toward participating in these programs.

- ◆ Celebrating Monthly Birthdays (3rd Friday)
- ◆ The Puzzle Center (1000+ piece puzzles)
- ◆ The Garden Market
- ◆ Monthly Bento Program (last Friday)
- ◆ Ever-popular weekly Bingo
- ◆ Annual Holiday Party.

Program highlight – Weekly Bingo – Bingo sessions are held on Fridays (10:30am – 11:30am). Cris Pineda, with his assistant, Jean (sometimes Melissa), is our Bingo caller extraordinaire who keeps the action going with creative games and stories – sometimes funny, sometimes inspirational, always entertaining. Prizes are donated by the seniors, volunteers, and the VJCC Senior Nutrition coffers (Anyone remember when prizes were a can of Vienna Sausage or Cup O’Noodle?). Volunteers come in early for the set up and layout of the prizes. Bingo is very popular and space is limited, so it is on a first come, first served basis.

➤ Come in to see Tina Grammatico, WLCAC Meal Service Coordinator, to sign up for the Senior Nutrition Program or to pick up a menu (monthly menus are also on the VJCC website. She is an employee of the WLCAC and with the help of the VJCC volunteers stand ready to serve nutritious meals Mondays through Fridays (Japanese meals on Tuesdays and Thursdays) to our seniors.

SPRING BAKE SALE

Another successful Bake Sale in the books. A big thank you for those of you who stopped by to purchase (as well as to donate) our goods - sweet and savory - and our items on the craft table, to our wonderful volunteers who provided the goods and the goodies, and to our patrons who made donations to the Senior Nutrition Program.



Join us for our Fall Bake Sale coming up on October 28!!

Looking for: **Senior Nutrition Manager/Liaison to the Board of Directors (Volunteer)**

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Oversees those programs sponsored by the VJCC (Bingo Fridays, monthly birthday celebrations, monthly Bento Program, Home Garden Market, The Puzzle Center, Annual Holiday Party, and the Volunteer Appreciation luncheon). (Note: Volunteers administer/run most of these programs).

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SATURDAY, JUNE 22ND

- 1:30 PM Iaido 居合道
 2:00 PM Kendo 剣道
 2:30 PM Aikido 合気道
 3:00 PM Judo 柔道
 3:30 PM Karate 空手
 4:00 PM Taiko 太鼓
 4:30 PM Miss Western LA & VJCC Scholarship Awards
 5:30 - 6:30 PM Ondo おんど
 7:00 PM Entertainment by "Elemental Funk"

SUNDAY, JUNE 23RD

- 1:00 PM Zumba ズンバ
 1:30 PM Hula フラダンス
 2:00 PM Kendo 剣道
 2:30 PM Aikido 合気道
 3:00 PM Judo 柔道
 3:30 PM Karate 空手
 4:30 PM Taiko 太鼓
 5:30 - 6:30 PM Ondo おんど
 7:00 PM Raffle ラッフル

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MONDAY

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May 20-22 **LAS VEGAS** (Monday to Wednesday) – Reservation-mail in flyer, space is limited.

June 2 Sun **LITTLE MERMAID** La Mirada, 1:30 pm – Reservation-mail in flyer & limited tickets. Departure – VJCC parking lot by 11 am.

PIONEER PROJECT @ VJCC SUMMER FESTIVAL '24

GENERAL STORE

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DONATIONS – **PLEASE**, only items in **CLEAN & GOOD CONDITION**. The Project does NOT have enough volunteers to accept OLD & DIRTY items to clean, sort, price, and display in such a short time period. Plus, there are health issues of dust, mites, molds, bugs, etc. in boxes that have been in the garage & closet for a long time.

DELIVERY & DROP-OFF – all day Friday June 21 & Saturday June 22. Sorry, there is no storage at the VJCC to accept items earlier.

PLANT SALE – A limited plant sale will be in front of the classroom.

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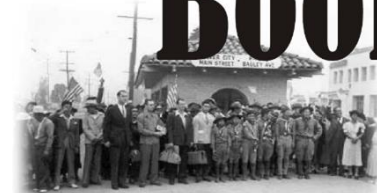
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VENICE JAPANESE COMMUNITY CENTER

2024 ONGOING PROGRAMS & CLASSES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
▼ 12:30 Taiko 3:30 Virtual Sunday Yoga 5:30 Volleyball Adult 8:00 Basketball Adult	9:00 Pickleball 10:00 Tai Chi (60+) (Senior Wellness Program) 10:30 Sr. Nutrition ▼ 1:00 Craft Workshop 4:30 Basketball VYC 6:00 Karate (Beginner) 6:30 Aikido 7:00 Del Rey H/O (1 st Mon,Zoom) 7:00 Karate	09:00 Adult Zumba 10:30 Sr. Nutrition ▼ 4:00 Basketball VYC 7:00 Taiko 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Judo	9:00 Pickleball 10:00 Roeikai-Shigin 10:30 Sr. Nutrition ▼ 4:30 Basketball VYC 7:30 JACL (1 st Wed) 7:00 Kendo 7:00 Adult Zumba	10:30 Sr. Nutrition ▼ 12:30 Ballroom Dance * 4:00 Basketball VYC 6:00 Karate (Beginner) 6:00 Aikido 6:30 Hula 7:00 Ikebana 5:30 Japanese as Sec. Lang. (Before Beginner, Beginner) 7:00 Karate	9:30 Sumi-e 10:30 Sr. Nutrition ▼ 4:00 Basketball VYC 7:00 Japanese as Second Language (Intermediate) 7:00 Judo 7:30 Kendo	7:15 Aikido 9:00 Japanese Language (Children's) 9:30 Japanese Dance* 9:30 Basketball VYC ▼ 1:00 Koto* 2:00 Bunka Shodo 2:00 Iaido
Same as Week 1	Same as Week 1 10:00 Watercolor ▼	Same as Week 1	Same as Week 1 ▼ 7:30 VYC Mtg (2 nd Wed)	Same as Week 1	Same as Week 1 ▼ 7:00 Bonsai (2 nd Fri)	Same as Week 1 3:00 Iaido ▼
Same as Week 1	Same as Week 1	Same as Week 1 ▼ 7:00 Boy Scout Parents	Same as Week 1 ▼ 7:00 CBO (3 rd Wed) 7:30 VJCC Exec Council	Same as Week 1 ▼ 5:30 Japanese as Sec. Lang. (Before Beginner, Beginner)	Same as Week 1 ▼ 7:00 Japanese as Second Language (Intermediate)	Same as Week 1
Same as Week 1	Same as Week 1 10:00 Watercolor	Same as Week 1 ▼ 7:00 Photo Club (4 th Tues) 7:00 Bonsai (4 th Tues)	Same as Week 1 ▼ 7:00 RAP (4 th Wed)	Same as Week 1	Same as Week 1	Same as Week 1 3:00 Iaido ▼

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* class has not yet resumed

2024 REPRESENTATIVES

Arts & Crafts

Craft Workshop..... Ruby Kita
 Photo Club..... June Inai
 Watercolor..... Ko Yoshida

Boy Scouts

Scoutmaster..... Eric Gadal
 Parents' Club..... Ted Nishimura

Exercise

Yoga.....Leslie Masuda
 Zumba.....Leonore Miller

Dance

Ballroom Dance..... Gayle Hiram
 Hula..... Wen-Chia Parker
 Japanese Odori..... Dianne Fukuwa

JACL (Venice/WLA).....John Saito

Japanese Culture

Bonsai..... Shig Miya, Shinya Miyakoshi
 Ikebana.....Satsuki Palter
 Calligraphy (Japanese Brush Writing)
 Shodo.....Fusako Ogasawara
 Sumi-e..... Jane Shibata

Japanese Language

Gakuen (Youth)..... Shizuki Yamashita
 Adults (as a 2nd language)..... Fusako Ogasawara

Martial Arts

Aikido..... Tom Scheir
 Iaido..... Harry Mott
 Judo..... Trace Nishiyama
 Karate..... Ron Sugano
 Kendo..... Kenji Arai

Music

Koto..... Eiko Idota
 Shigin (Roeikai)..... Kosei Yamamura
 Taiko (Koshin)..... Lori Miyakawa

RAP..... Carolyn Komoto

Seniors

Nutrition..... Tina Grammatico
 Pioneer Project..... Eric Inouye
 Senior Wellness Program..... Gayle Hiram

Sports

Basketball (Adult)..... Chuan Michael Chang, George Johnston
 Basketball (VYC)..... Kathy Yamashita/Kazie Kame
 Pickleball (Adult)..... Mil Kurashige/Ken Rosengrant
 Volleyball (Adult)..... Todd Nakamoto

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FOR CLASS INFO, CALL VJCC OFFICE (310) 822-8885 OR EMAIL OFFICE@VJCC.COM
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