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Conversation with Puget Sound Alum Andrew Smith '03

March 5th, 5:00-6:00PM PST
Virtual Event, [Zoom](#)

Andrew J. Smith '03 is the English language consultant for the Department of Foreign Affairs in Vietnam. He volunteers as a communications advisor to the Union of Friendship Organizations and is co-owner of a local arts organization. Andrew lives in Da Nang with his partner and their three cats.

Image source: @UPSCinese



Japanese Language Festival

March 6, 2:45-4:30PM PST
Virtual Event, [Registration](#)

Join several Puget Sound Japanese majors for an afternoon of Japanese language learning, trivia, and fun in celebration of Japanese language education in Washington State. Fun activities include a special ramen eating "course" and breakout rooms where people can talk about Japan. Don't miss it!

In partnership with The Hyogo Business and Cultural Center, we will present the finalists of the 38th Annual Washington State Japanese Speech and Skit Contest and announce winners!

Image source: Japan-America Society of the State of Washington



Japanese Movie Series, #2: In This Corner of the World

March 16, 6:00-8:00PM PST
Virtual Event, [Zoom](#)

As soon as Suzu turns 18, she is married off to a man she barely knows. Living in Hiroshima during World War II, Suzu must not only adjust to marital life, but must also learn how to provide for her family in desperate times. Through her eyes, we are able to see a glimpse of pre-war Hiroshima and are able to learn about the role of women in the war effort.

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Asian Studies Game Night

March 26th, 5:30-6:30PM PST
Virtual Event, [Zoom](#)

Join Asian Studies faculty and friends for a fun-filled game night! There will be 5 Kahoots prepared by our students, all focusing on a different region in Asia. If you want to test your knowledge of the Asian region, this is the perfect event for you. There will be prizes for the Kahoot winners, so you don't want to miss out!

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Queering Confucianism in Cyberspace: Fictional Religion, Affective Labor, and Internet-based Homoerotic Romance in Contemporary China

March 19th, 2:00-3:00PM PST
Virtual Event, [Zoom](#)

Danmei (literally, indulgence in beauty), male-male romance produced and consumed primarily but not exclusively for women, is a popular genre currently flourishing in and beyond China. This talk examines how two *danmei* novels, *Shapolang (Stars of Chaos)* by Priest and *Morishuguang (Dawn of the World)* by Feitian Yexiang, have revived the cult of *qing* in the age of digital capitalism.

Dr. Zhang Ni. Zhang Ni is Associate Professor

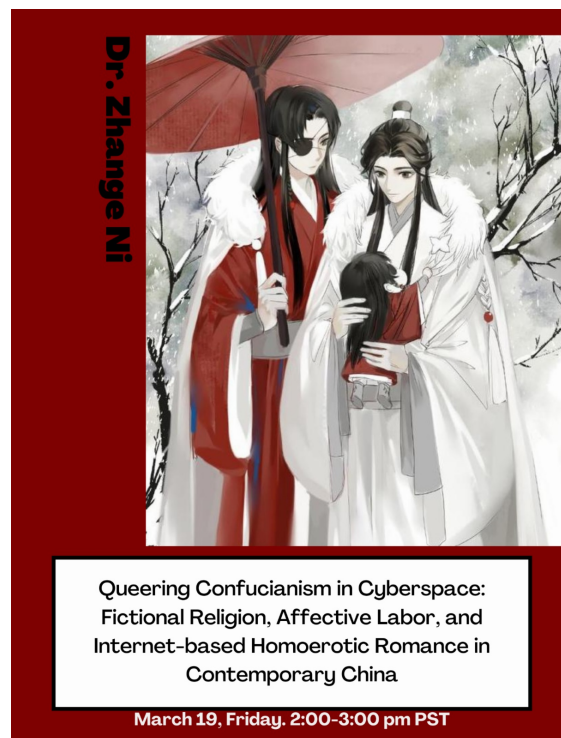


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Japanese Conversation Hour

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Recurring Event, Every Friday
Begins January 29, 4:00-5:00PM PST
Virtual Event, [Zoom](#)

Every Friday, Japanese majors, minors, and friends meet via Zoom for a Japanese conversation hour from 4 to 5PM. Even if you are not confident enough to speak, feel free to drop by and listen! A variety of topics related to Japanese culture, our daily lives, and stories will be shared. This is a fun, judgement-free environment, so don't be afraid to participate.

There will occasionally be activities such as watching movies, folding origami, or learning recipes together.

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Follow the Asian Studies Instagram for more frequent updates regarding events. Asian Studies faculty members, Chinese and Japanese majors and minors, and Asian Studies minors will also be featured.

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