

OSHOGATSU FAMILY FESTIVAL

2017 YEAR OF THE ROOSTER

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2017 11 a.m.-5 p.m. FREE ALL DAY!

Special perks available for JANM members! Be sure to check in at the front desk to get a member sticker so you can take advantage of the perks highlighted below and on the opposite side.

Time After Time Capsules—Special to this year's Oshogatsu

Help *kawaii* artist Sebastian Masuda fill two giant time capsules—one shaped like Hello Kitty and another like Domo, the official mascot of NHK! Bring a cherished personal item or write a letter to your future self, to be placed in one of the capsules. Masuda is traveling ten time capsules around the world, to be assembled for a major display in Tokyo in 2020 and then reopened in 2035. *Presented in collaboration with The Japan Foundation, Los Angeles*.

Oshogatsu Family Festival Schedule (continues on back)

ALL DAY ACTIVITIES (11 a.m.-5 p.m.)

- Nerdbot Photo Booth: Pose for a souvenir photo to take home. Special appearances by Domo at 11 a.m.–11:20 a.m., 12 p.m.–12:20 p.m., 1 p.m.–1:20 p.m., and 3:15 p.m.–3:35 p.m. Express Line for members!
- Make Your Own Rooster: Cut and decorate a bouncy paper rooster.
- Kagami Mochi Craft: Using clay and beads, make your own replica of a kagami mochi—a traditional New Year's decorative rice cake arrangement.
- Coloring Station: Get to know the qualities of people born in the Year of the Rooster, as well as the 11 other signs of the Asian zodiac.
- Ruthie's Origami Corner: Learn how to fold a paper rooster.

- Explore Japanese American History and Win a Prize: Visit Common Ground: The Heart of Community, and take a "selfie" with an artifact you find interesting. Explain why you liked it or what you learned about it at the information table, and receive a prize! Prizes courtesy of Bandai, while supplies last.
- *Omikuji*: What does the future hold? Find out through this Japanese fortune-telling method.
- Toddler Room: Bring your toddlers here to relax and play, or watch the animated Disney film Chicken Little, playing continuously all day. NOTE: All children must be supervised by an accompanying adult at all times.
- Fukubukuro Sale: Lucky grab bags will be available for purchase at the JANM Store.







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SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES:

11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.: Live Chicken Petting Zoo: See different varieties of chickens—such as miniature Seramas, Silkie Bantams, Polish Bantams, and Giant Cochins! Courtesy of Farm Friendz. Express Line for members!

11 a.m.–3 p.m.: Lucky Soba Noodles: Kidding Around the Kitchen will offer children sample bowls of lucky zaru soba (buckwheat noodles) to bring good health in the New Year. Kids can top the soba with their choice of tofu, vegetables, and nori. While supplies last.

11:30 a.m.: Story Time: Join us for a reading of *Thank You Very Mochi*, a delightful children's book written by Paul Matsushima, Sophie Wang, and Craig Ishii and published by Kizuna, a Japanese American youth organization. A signing will follow the reading. *Reserved seating for members!*

12 p.m.-5 p.m.: Rooster Candy Sculptures: Shan Ichiyanagi will demonstrate the ancient, and now rarely practiced, Asian folk art of candy sculpting, as he makes candy in the shape of roosters and other animals of the Asian zodiac. Finished pieces will be raffled off throughout the day. Members get double raffle tickets!

1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.: *Mochitsuki* Demonstration by Kodama Taiko: Making fresh mochi is a beloved Japanese New Year tradition. Join Kodama Taiko for their unique *mochitsuki* (rice pounding) demonstration, which incorporates taiko drumming, and enjoy delicious mochi samples while supplies last.

1 p.m.-2 p.m.: MEMBERS ONLY Onigiri Workshop: In this workshop open to JANM members only, learn to make a variety of onigiri (Japanese rice ball snacks) with Sonoko Sakai, author of the new cookbook Rice Craft (available for purchase in the JANM Store). Rice for this workshop is generously donated by Koda Farms, California's oldest family-owned and operated rice farm and mill.

1:30 p.m.: Mochi Demonstration: Brian Kito of the renowned Fugetsu-Do Confectioners will demonstrate the fine art of making rainbow mochi. Reserved seating for members!

2 p.m.: Talk by Kawaii Artist Sebastian Masuda: Hear Sebastian Masuda, creator of the Time After Time Capsules, talk about his work, which will be on display all day.

2 p.m.-5 p.m.: Onigiri Workshop: In this drop-in workshop open to everyone, learn to make a variety of onigiri (Japanese rice ball snacks) with Sonoko Sakai, author of Rice Craft (available in the JANM Store). Rice for this workshop is generously donated by Koda Farms.

4:15 p.m.: Taiko Drumming Performance: Bring the day to a rousing close with a dynamic performance by the Los Angeles-based group TAIKOPROJECT.

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