

group for high school literature and social studies teachers will do close reading and discussion of stories by the author Mo Yan, winner of the 2012 Nobel Prize in Literature. His writing about & K L Q D · V F K D O O H Q J H V S X V K H V U H D G H U V W R F R Q is challenged by political and social pressures. More information and registration are available here .

• Seminar: *Issues in Contemporary China* . January 26 – April 5, 2017. Registration deadline: Wednesday, January 4, or when course fills.

Contemporary Korea cannot be understood without a deeper understanding of its interactions with the modern world. Presenting authentic voices through Korean narratives and texts, this three-day LQVWLWXWH ZLOO FRQVLGHU WKH .RUHDQ SHRS approaches to such global phenomena as colonialism, democracy, the Cold War, communism, command economics, and capitalism in the past century and a quarter. For more information, contact Catherine Ishida at Catherine.Ishida@colorado.edu.

National Opportunities

Primary Source Global Read China: Boxers and Saints . Tuesday, January 10, 7 pm EST. \$XWKRU *HQH /XHQ < DQJ·V WZR YRO novel tells the parallel stories of a girl and a boy growing up during &KLQD·V %R[HU 5HEHOOLRQ 3ULPDU\ 6RXUFH HQFR (grades 8-12), and community members to read the book and take part in an online discussion. To register, visit the Primary Source website

Sino-American Bridge for Education and Health: Teaching Opportunities in China. July – August 2017. Application deadline: Sunday, January 15, 2017. SABEH coordinates opportunities for U.S. teachers to teach in China—in Fuzhou, Fujian Province or Hangzhou, Zhejian Province—for two to three weeks, with an additional week of travel in-country. Expenses are divided between teachers and Chinese hosts. For more information, visit the SABEH website

NCTA-Asia for Educators Summer Study Tour to China and Vietnam. July 3-21, 2017. Application deadline: Friday, February 3, 2017. Asia for Educators at Columbia University and NCTA offer this study tour to NCTA teacher alumni nationwide. The study tour is open to teachers who have already completed 30 hours of NCTA-sponsored professional development offered by any of the NCTA national sites, through summer, online, or face-to-face NCTA seminars. The study tour will travel to Beijing, Xian, Shanghai, Suzhou, Kunming, Yuanyang, Sa Pa, Hanoi, Hue, and Ho Chi Minh City. More information and an application are available here.

USS Midway Institute Programs for Teachers: The Cold War, Korea, and Vietnam, June 25 – July 8, and WWII in the Pacific: Clash of Nations and Perspectives, July 9 – 15, 2017. Application deadline: Sunday, March 12, 2017. The USS Midway Institute presents two summer programs featuring notable historians, field trips, ship tours, and more. In addition, participating teachers receive instructional materials, a VWLSHQG DQG WUDYHO VXSSRUW) RU PRUH LQIRUI website

Previously Announced National Opportunities

Fall-Winter Webinar Series. The Five College Center for East Asian

Studies has three programs remaining in its fall-winter 2016 webinar slate:

- Disputed Names and Disputed Places in East Asia, Professor Lauren McKee, Berea College. Tuesday, December 13, 7-8 pm ET. Registration.
- *The Last Cherry Blossom*, author Kathleen Burkinshaw. Wednesday, January 18, 2017, 7-8 pm ET. Registration .
- Sake, Sushi and Soft Power , Professor Lauren McKee, Berea College. Tuesday, February 28, 2017, 7-8 pm ET. Registration

National Online NCTA Seminar: *War and Peace: Voices from Japan.* January 16 – April 3, 2017. The Five College Center for East Asian Studies is offering this 12-week NCTA seminar focusing on the experiences of the peoples of Nagasaki, Hiroshima, and Okinawa during World War II, as well as in the post-war period. For more information, visit the seminar website .

Fund for Teachers Grants for Self-Designed Professional Development. Deadline: Thursday, January 31, 2017. Individual teachers can apply for grants of up to \$5000, teams up to \$10,000, for professional learning that they design themselves. Plans can include travel, so self-designed study in Asia is a possibility. Visit the website of Fund for Teachers for more information and to apply.

Elgin Heinz Outstanding Teacher Award. Application deadline: Tuesday, February 1, 2017. The United States-Japan Foundation established the Elgin Heinz Award to honor precollegiate teachers whose work advances mutual understanding between the United States and Japan. Two awards are given, one in the humanities, the other in Japanese language. For more information, visit the award page RQ WKH) RXQGDWLR website.

Sejong Writing Competition. Deadline: Tuesday, February 28, 2017. The Sejong Cultural Society is now accepting entries in this competition on Korean literature and culture for students and young adults. Two categories—essay and *sijo* (a traditional Korean poetic form)—are available. The essay category includes adult (25 and younger), senior (grade 12 and younger), and junior (grade 8 and younger) divisions; the *sijo* category has only one division, open to students in grade 12 and younger. For more information, visit the Sejong Cultural Society website

NCTA State and Local Opportunities

NCTA Seminars in Birmingham (AL), Bloomington (IN), Chicago, and St. Paul. January – March 2017. Application deadline: Friday, January 6, 2017. The East Asian Studies Center at Indiana University has opened applications for these four 30-hour seminars, all meeting in the evening and providing resources and stipends for participants. For an application,

