

## Silicon Valley Asian Pacific Film Fest 2017

### FILMS & EVENTS

#### ***A Bitter Legacy***

by Claudia Katayanagi / Documentary

While the incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II is now widely known, little has been exposed about the Citizen Isolation Centers - secret prisons for "troublemakers" who resisted authority.

#### ***Comfort***

by William Lu / Drama

A romance blooms in Los Angeles between a night courier with a rare disorder and a young woman in town to confront her father.

#### ***In the Family***

by Patrick Wang / Drama

Dealing with the loss of his partner, Joey - a working class, gay, Asian American man in a Southern community - fights to get his son back, even though the law is not on his side.

#### ***Mele Murals***

by Tadashi Nakamura / Documentary

Through painting a mural, youth in Waimea, Hawaii learn to meld ancient Hawaiian traditions with hip-hop-infused graffiti art from two renowned artists, Estria Miyashiro and John Hina.

#### ***Memoirs of Bjork-Geisha: From Orientalism to Incarceration***

by Tina Takemoto / Performance & Talk

Join us for a special evening of performance, film screenings, and a talk with Tina Takemoto.

Takemoto is an interdisciplinary writer, theorist, and performance artist whose work explores issues of illness, gender, race, and queer identity.

#### ***Mifune: The Last Samurai***

by Steven Okazaki/ Documentary

Narrated by Keanu Reeves, this documentary explores actor Toshiro Mifune's accidental movie career, his magnetic charisma, and his impressive body of work, particularly the films he made with director Akira Kurosawa.

#### ***Paper Lanterns***

by Barry Frechette / Documentary

A Japanese survivor of the atomic bomb in Hiroshima spends 20 years tracking down the families of 12 American prisoners of war who were killed by the bomb.

#### ***Persona Non Grata***

by Cellin Gluck/ Drama & Biography

Based on the true story of Chiune Sugihara, known as the Schindler of Japan, this film recounts the life story of a Japanese diplomat in Lithuania who saved more than 6,000 lives.

#### ***Save My Seoul***

by Jason Y. Lee/ Documentary

Two Korean American brothers discover rampant prostitution and sex trafficking in Seoul, South Korea.