

**“Diversity in Leadership: The Journey of Asian American State Legislators in 2019”**  
*A Panel Discussion with U.S. State Legislators*

**Thursday, December 12, 2019, 16:00-17:30**

The Sasakawa Peace Foundation and the U.S.-Japan Council are pleased to host a panel discussion with six distinguished Asian American state legislators from diverse backgrounds who are participating in the 2019 Asian American Leadership Delegation (AALD) program. The AALD program is co-organized by the U.S.-Japan Council and the Sasakawa Peace Foundation, with support from the National Asian Pacific American Caucus of State Legislators.

The AALD program gives selected state-elected Asian American officials the opportunity to visit Japan for one week to meet and exchange ideas with Japanese political, governmental, business and community leaders at both the national and local levels. It aims to enhance mutual understanding and network building between Japan and the United States.

During the panel, which is moderated by Mrs. Nobuko Sasae, President of Nobuko Forum Japan, delegates will talk about their respective political and personal journeys in the United States. Many of the delegates this year have followed non-traditional paths, choosing to become a politician after pursuing different careers. The audience will have the opportunity to learn about their personal choices, as well as the important role Asian American politicians play in their political arenas, especially in light of current events. The speakers will also reflect upon their experience in Japan. Details are as follows:

**Date & Time:** **Thursday, December 12, 2019, 16:00-17:30** (Door opens at 15:30)  
**Venue:** **2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, the Nippon Foundation Bldg.**  
 1-2-2 Akasaka, Minato-ku, Tokyo 107-0052  
\* Please be noted that the venue is not at the Sasakawa Peace Foundation Bldg.  
 \* Please kindly be noted that we do not offer parking.

Access to the Nippon Foundation Bldg.



**Speakers:**



<b>Irene Hirano</b> Inouye President U.S.-Japan Council	<b>State Representative</b> <b>Chris Chyung</b> Indiana House of Representatives	<b>State Representative</b> <b>Nima Kulkarni</b> Kentucky House of Representatives	<b>State Assemblywoman</b> <b>Rochelle Nguyen</b> Nevada State Assembly	<b>State Representative</b> <b>My-Linh Thai</b> Washington House of Representatives	<b>State Representative</b> <b>Kyle Yamashita</b> Hawaii House of Representatives	<b>State Representative</b> <b>Mike Yin</b> Wyoming House of Representatives
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**Moderator:** **Mrs. Nobuko Sasae, President, Nobuko Forum Japan**



**Language:** English/Japanese simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

**Registration:** Admission is free, and advanced registration is required.  
 Should you wish to participate, please register from the QR code or fax us your information to  
**03-5157-5158 by 5PM on Wednesday, December 12, 2019.**

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