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## **USJC Emerging Leaders Program**

Kelly Nuibe (ELP 2019)

## Reflections

Day one started strong as we gathered in a circle to cheer and clap for each other in an ice breaker. It initially seemed like a nonsensical activity, however, it brought a lot of warmth into the room and set the tone for the group. We came together as a cohort to applaud our peers' accomplishments, both big and small, regardless of how it relates to our line of work.

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ELP Welcome Dinner



President Irene Hirano Inouye

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The spirit of camaraderie carried on throughout the week as the ELP senpaitachi welcomed us: from preparing mini survivor kits to offering a tour of Little Tokyo and sharing countless laughs. I am grateful to have connected with so many amazing leaders.

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"Get out of your seat, get on a plane, get on a train, go down the stairs, get in the elevator and go see people [...]"

– Kazuo Hirai, Senior Advisor and former CEO of Sony.

In today's world of advanced technology and instantaneous connection, it is still important to value in-person communication. Thank you, USJC, for creating the Emerging Leaders Program and enabling members to employ that integral part of connection in U.S.-Japan ties.



U40 Reception in Los Angeles



'Iolani School alumni gather to support Bobby Webster

### News

#### The Watanabe Study Abroad Scholarship Leadership Weekend –

Thank you, USJC, for inviting me to join the panel and share my thoughts on carving a career path after college. Congratulations to all participants on your academic achievements and *gambatte* on your future endeavors!

#### Tokyo USJC Bonenkai –

Council Member Roy Tomizawa's presentation on his book and the 1964 Olympics in Tokyo created a thought-provoking and unique experience at the bonenkai. Special thanks to the awesome ELP Tokyo-gumi for the warm welcome!



TUJ student and Watanabe scholarship recipient, Naomi

## I look forward to

• Tokyo Olympics 2020!

• coordinating a Japan seasonal regional U40 USJC event!

• supporting fellow ELP 2019-ers!

• connecting with more students and encouraging study abroad in Japan. Full immersion programs set the foundation for long-lasting friendships and an increasing network of international leaders.

#### The ELP class of 2019 -

We stay connected with message updates and reunions across the U.S. and Japan. And of course, we continue to celebrate and support each other's on-going achievements with genuine cheer and applause.

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