



# ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2022

OCTOBER 27-28, 2022 | TOKYO, JAPAN

## **The Great Reconnect:**

*Strengthening Alliances, Partnerships and Communities*



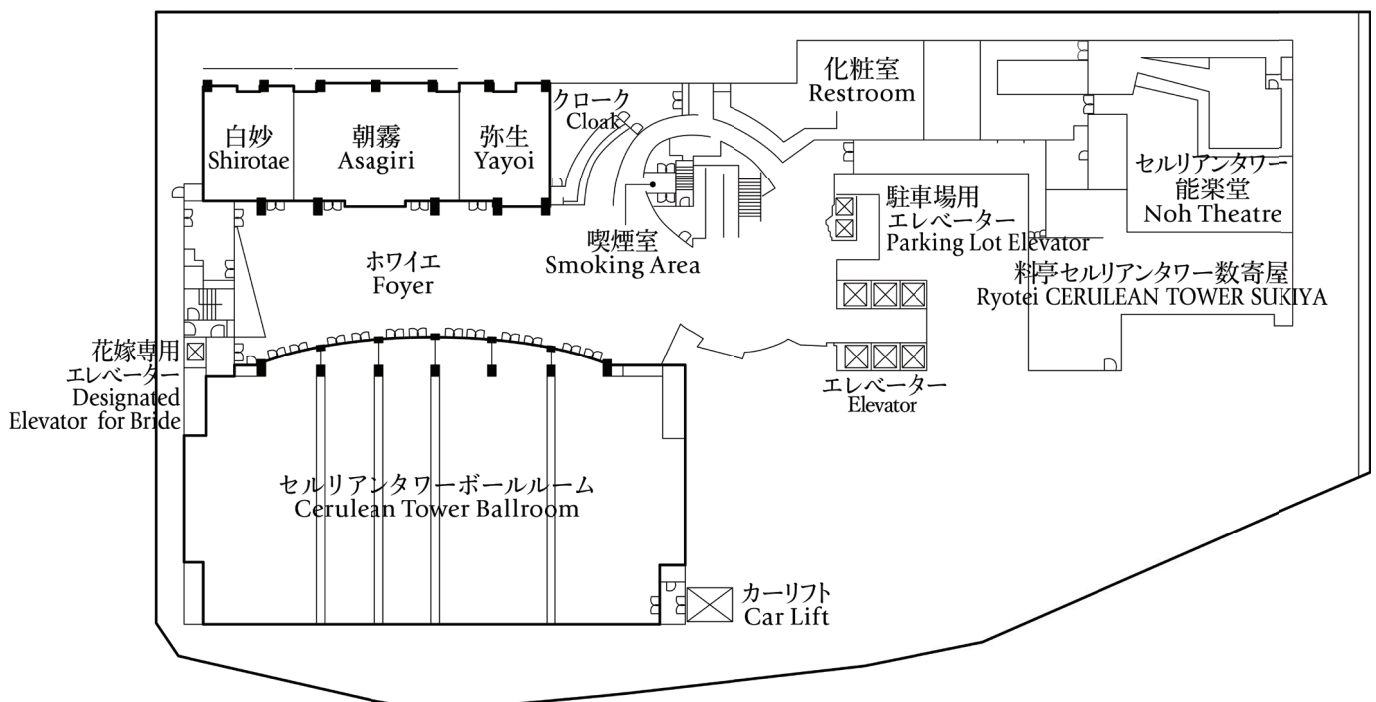
# SCHEDULE

Events highlighted in blue are open to the public. Pre-registration required.

Tuesday Oct. 25	Wednesday Oct. 26	Thursday Oct. 27	Friday Oct. 28
<b>ELP 50 INITIATIVE</b> A landmark trip that gathers 50 of the top next-generation Japanese American leaders to experience Japan and connect with their Japanese counterparts.	<b>EMERGING LEADERS PROGRAMMING</b> Leadership programming dedicated to this year's class of Emerging Leaders.	<b>TOMODACHI &amp; WATANABE SCHOLARS PROGRAMMING</b> Workshops and skill-building activities for next-generation program alumni.	<b>2022 USJC ANNUAL CONFERENCE</b>
	<b>CSI SUSTAINABILITY ROUNDTABLE</b> By invitation, a small group discussion with climate and sustainability leaders from the United States and Japan.		<b>CONFERENCE RECEPTION</b>
	<b>USJC MEMBERS DAY</b> An update for USJC members on recent Council activities and an outlook for 2023.	<b>SPONSORS DINNER</b> A special dinner for top sponsors of the 2022 Annual Conference and other special invited guests.	<b>U40 RECEPTION</b> A special dinner for USJC's U40 (under 40) leaders.
	<b>NETWORKING DINNERS</b> Small group dinners arranged by local hosts.		
<b>Saturday Oct. 29</b>	<b>OFFSITE EXCURSIONS</b> Group tours of select locations around Japan.		

## MAP

All conference activities on Friday, October 28 will take place at the Cerulean Tower Tokyu Hotel on the B2F level.



# 2022 MEMBERS FORUM AGENDA

## U.S.-JAPAN COUNCIL 2022 MEMBERS DAY THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27

2:00 - 4:00 PM: MEMBERS FORUM | 4:00 - 5:00 PM: MEMBERS RECEPTION | CERULEAN TOWER BALLROOM

### AGENDA

#### Welcome Remarks from USJC Leadership

#### Voices of USJC Members

Shin-Issei Affinity Group

Engagement Committee

Emerging Leaders Program / ELP50

Japanese American Storytelling Program

#### Board Updates

#### Closing Remarks

#### Members Reception in Foyer

### SPEAKERS

#### Darin Arita

Japan Region Co-Chair; SVP and Chief Financial Officer  
International Business, Prudential Financial, Inc.

#### Suzanne Basalla

President & CEO, U.S.-Japan Council

#### Yuga Cohler

Emerging Leaders Program Steering Committee  
Member and Communications Subcommittee Lead,  
ELP50 Planning Committee Member; Engineering Lead,  
Coinbase

#### Royanne K. Doi

Former Representative Director, USJC (Japan) Board of  
Directors; Corporate Governance Specialist

#### Tim Higashide

Co-Chair U40 Summit; Director of Business Operations,  
Sakura Square LLC

#### Frederick H. Katayama

Executive Vice President, U.S.-Japan Council

#### Kathy Matsui

Chair, USJC (Japan) Board of Councilors; General Partner,  
MPOWER Partners

#### Susan Morita

Vice Chair, USJC Board of Directors; Senior Counsel,  
Arnold & Porter

#### Patrick Newell

Committee Leader, Japanese American Storytelling  
Program; Vision Navigator, 21 Foundation

#### Erika Ninoyu

Chair, Emerging Leaders Program Steering Committee; Senior  
Legislative Assistant, Congresswoman Barbara Lee

#### Niki Robins

U40 Summit Planning Committee Member; Co-Founder &  
Content Director, Spectacle Marketing

#### Brent Sabati

U40 Summit Planning Committee Member; Digital Curriculum  
Coordinator, Ent Credit Union

#### Scott Sato

USJC Board Member & 2022 Annual Conference Host  
Committee Chair; CEO, Tricor Japan (Master of Ceremony)

#### Ichiro Sekimitsu

Shin-Issei Affinity Group Founding Steering Committee  
Member; Senior Vice President, Corporate Development,  
Central Pacific Bank

#### Steve Sugino

Committee Leader, Japanese American Storytelling Program;  
President and Representative Director, Amgen K.K.

#### Masami Tyson

Shin-Issei Affinity Group Founding Steering Committee Chair;  
Partner Attorney, Womble Bond Dickinson LLP

#### Amy Watanabe

Vice Chair, Emerging Leaders Program Steering Committee;  
Managing Director, Client Services, Nakatomi & Associates

#### Paul Yonamine

Chairman, USJC Board of Directors; Executive Chairman,  
Central Pacific Bank

# PUBLIC SYMPOSIUM

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

### 9:00 - 10:30 AM Morning Plenary | Ballroom (B2F)\*

- Emcee:** Yuko Kaifu, President, JAPAN HOUSE Los Angeles
- Special Remarks:** Message from Prime Minister Fumio Kishida  
Rahm Emanuel, U.S. Ambassador to Japan  
Yuriko Koike, Governor of Tokyo
- Panel Discussion:** Leveraging Subnational Action to Solve Global Problems
- Moderator:** Sheila A. Smith, John E. Merow Senior Fellow for Asia-Pacific Studies, Council on Foreign Relations
- Panelists:** David Y. Ige, Governor of the State of Hawai'i  
Sylvester Turner, Mayor of Houston, Texas
- Co-Emcees:** Alex Shibutani & Maia Shibutani, 2x Olympic Medalists & Authors, ShibSibs

### 10:45 - 12:00 PM Morning Breakout Session

#### 10:45 - 11:45 AM Great Expectations: Leadership for These Times | Ballroom (B2F)\*

- Moderator:** Lori Teranishi, Founder and CEO, iQ 360
- Panelists:** Jasper Cheung, President, Amazon Japan, G.K.  
Dana Heatherton, Head of Emerging Markets, Waymo  
Tsuyoshi Nagano, Chairman of the Board, Tokio Marine Holdings, Inc.

#### 10:45 - 12:00 PM Women's Leadership - Journeys & Lessons | Asagiri (B2F)

- Moderator:** Rona Tison, Executive Vice President, Corporate Relations & PR, ITO EN, North America, Inc., New York
- Panelists:** Katrina Masumi Lake, Founder & Chairperson, Stitch Fix  
Yuko Tashiro, Chairperson, Accordia Golf Co., Ltd.

\* Simultaneous interpretation will be available.



## 10:45 - 12:00 PM Morning Breakout Session (cont.)

### 10:45 - 12:00 PM Web 3.0 and NFT Generative Fine Art | Shirotae (B2F)

**Introduction:** James Higa, Managing Partner, Offline Ventures

**Panelist:** Sputniko! (Hiro Ozaki), Artist | Cradle CEO | Associate Professor, Department of Design, Faculty of Fine Arts, Tokyo University of the Arts

### 10:45 - 12:00 PM Regional Security | Yayoi (B2F)

**Moderator:** Suzanne Puanani Vares-Lum, President, East-West Center

**Panelists:** Emma Chanlett-Avery, Specialist in Asian Affairs, Congressional Research Service  
Tatsuhiko Takashima, Vice Admiral (retired) & Former Commander, Fleet Submarine Force, Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force  
Tomohiko Taniguchi, Professor, Keio University

## 12:30 - 2:00 PM Lunch Plenary | Ballroom (B2F)\*

**USJC Update:** Suzanne Basalla, President & CEO, U.S.-Japan Council

**Emcee:** Eiichiro Kuwana, President and Founding Principal, Cook Pine Capital LLC

**Special Remarks:** Susan Pointer, Vice President, International Public Policy & Government Affairs, Amazon.com

### The Sustainable Future of Transportation

**Moderator:** David Ono, News Anchor, KABC-TV Los Angeles

**Panelists:** Jill Blickstein, Vice President, Sustainability, American Airlines  
Gill Pratt, Chief Scientist and Executive Fellow for Research, Toyota Motor Corporation | Chief Executive Officer, Toyota Research Institute

**Co-Emcees:** Alex Shibutani & Maia Shibutani

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## 2:30 - 3:45 PM Afternoon Breakout Session

### 2:45 - 3:45 PM Digital Transformation to the Whole Community | Ballroom (B2F)\*

**Moderator:** **Kazuhiro Gomi**, President and CEO, NTT Research, Inc.

**Panelists:** **Ayako Kameda**, General Manager, Shell Energy Japan | President, Nagaoka Power Generation Ltd

**James Kuffner**, CEO, Woven Planet Holdings, Inc. | Member of the Board of Directors and Operating Officer, Toyota Motor Corporation

### 2:30 - 3:45 PM MINK! Documentary - Empowering Generations of Women Athletes | Asagiri (B2F)

**Moderator:** **Jan Yanehiro**, President, Jan Yanehiro, Inc.

**Panelists:** **Carissa Moore**, Five x WSL World Champion | 2020 Olympic Gold Medalist | Founder, Moore Aloha Charitable Foundation

**Naomi Osaka**, Tennis Champion | Social Change Advocate | Executive Producer of MINK! (a pre-recorded video interview with Curtiss Takada Rooks, Assistant Professor, Department of Asian and Asian American Studies, Loyola Marymount University)

**Ben Proudfoot**, Founder and CEO, Breakwater Studios

### 2:30 - 3:45 PM Making Sense of Today's Economic Turbulence | Shirotae (B2F)

**Moderator:** **Ann Teranishi**, President & CEO, American Savings Bank

**Panelists:** **Hiroyuki Arita**, President & CEO, BlackRock Japan

**Robert Feldman**, Senior Advisor, Morgan Stanley MUFG Securities

**Mireya Solís**, Director of the Center for East Asia Policy Studies, The Brookings Institution

### 2:30 - 3:45 PM Leadership and Mental Wellness | Yayoi (B2F)

**Moderator:** **Stephen Murphy-Shigematsu**, Psychologist & Author, Stanford University

**Panelists:** **Hideki Makihara**, Member, House of Representatives, Diet of Japan | Former State Minister, Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare

**Daiko Matsuyama**, Deputy Head Priest, Taizo-in Zen Buddhist Temple, Kyoto

**Koki Ozora**, Founder and CEO, Anato no Ibasho ("A Place for You")

**Tazuko Shibusawa**, Executive Officer, Shibusawa Eiichi Memorial Foundation | Former Associate Dean & Director, Master of Social Work Program, New York University Silver School of Social Work

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## 4:00 - 5:15 PM Closing Plenary | Ballroom (B2F)\*

- Emcee:** **Scott Sato**, 2022 Annual Conference Host Committee Chair | CEO, Tricor Japan
- Keynote Address:** **Hironori Kamezawa**, President & Group CEO, Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group, Inc.  
**Jun Sawada**, Chairman and Representative Member of the Board, NTT Corporation
- Chairman's Remarks:** **Paul Yonamine**, Chairman, U.S.-Japan Council Board of Directors | Executive Chairman, Central Pacific Bank
- 2023 Annual Conference Announcement:** **Janet Nuzum**, Host Committee Co-Chair | Global government affairs executive (retired)
- Co-Emcees:** **Alex Shibutani & Maia Shibutani**

### Realizing our Founders' Vision: Elevating the Next Generation

- Speakers:** **Steve Sakanashi**, Co-Chair, ELP 50 Initiative | Director of Marketing & Global Strategy, Matchbox Technologies  
**Kaoru Utada**, Director, Programs & Partnerships, U.S.-Japan Council  
**Rimpei Takahashi**, TOMODACHI St. Louis - Ishinomaki Grassroots Exchange Program 2015 | General Incorporated Association MACHITOKO  
**Frederick H. Katayama**, Executive Vice President, U.S.-Japan Council  
**Toshizo "Tom" Watanabe**, Chairman, The Toshizo Watanabe Foundation  
**Ayaka Ueda**, TOMODACHI Toshizo Watanabe Leadership Program 2022 | Hyogo Prefectural Ono High School
- Performance:** **Odaiko Solo ("Tomorrow Together")** by **Erika Ninoyu**, Chair, Emerging Leaders Program Steering Committee | Wadaiko Artist, Musician Educator

## 5:15 - 7:00 PM Conference Reception | Foyer (B2F) & Asagiri, Yayoi, Shirotae

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