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Office of the Mayor
Honorable Libby Schaaf
Mayor

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Letter of Appointment

January 19, 2020

The Honorable City Council
One Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Second Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear President Kaplan and members of the City Council:

Pursuant to City Charter Section 601, the Mayor has appointed the following person as a member of the following board or commission, subject to City Council confirmation:

Commission on Persons with Disabilities

Steven Lau, Mayoral appointment to serve a three-year term that began October 9, 2017 and ending October 8, 2020 filling a seat previously held by Daryl Meshack.

Karen Nakamura, Mayoral appointment to serve a three-year term that began September 3, 2019 and ending September 2, 2022 filling a seat previously held by herself.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Libby Schaaf
Mayor

A large, stylized handwritten signature of Libby Schaaf in black ink.

Profile

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UC Berkeley _____ Professor _____
Employer Job Title

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Commission on Persons with Disabilities: Submitted

Interests & Experiences

Please tell us how your qualifications and participation will relate to the requested board and/or commission's mission.

I am reapplying to be on the Oakland Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities. I've been involved with disability activism for the past twenty years, identify as a disabled person, and am a professor of Disability Studies at UC Berkeley. I'm a new resident of Oakland and very invested in making it a welcoming and inclusive place for people with disabilities -- especially for those with intersectional disability identities (race, gender, sexuality, housing status, socioeconomic status, immigration status, and so forth).

Please submit your resume or curriculum vitae. You may upload a document. (A Word format is preferred.) Alternatively, you may paste the text of your resume in the field provided below.

Nakamura-CV.pdf
Upload a Resume

Please paste the text of your resume or curriculum vitae below.

Please click the acknowledgement below.

Service on City of Oakland boards, commissions, and committees may require filings of the FPPC's Statements of Economic Interest (Form 700). Upon appointment and determination of filing status, I will comply with all filing obligations.

I Agree *

Karen Nakamura

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Robert and Colleen Haas Distinguished Chair in Disability Studies
and Professor of Anthropology
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Monographs and Edited Volumes

- 2014 クレージー・イン・ジャパン：べてるの家のエスノグラフィー [*Crazy in Japan: An Ethnography of Bethel House*]. Translation supervision by Koji Ishihara and Tetsuya Kawano. A revised and updated Japanese translation of *A Disability of the Soul*. Tokyo: Igaku Shoin Publishing.
- 2013 *A Disability of the Soul: An Ethnography of Schizophrenia and Mental Illness in Contemporary Japan*. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press.
- 2006 *Deaf in Japan: Signing and the Politics of Identity*. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press.
- Winner of 2008 John Whitney Hall Book Prize from the Association of Asian Studies
- 2003 Co-Editor, *Many Ways to be Deaf: International Linguistic and Sociocultural Variation*. Ed. Leila Monaghan, Constanze Schmaling, Karen Nakamura, and Graham Turner. Washington, D.C.: Gallaudet University Press.

Ethnographic Films

- 2010 *A Japanese Funeral*. Color NTSC DVD and companion website. 14 minutes.
- 2010 Best Short Film Media Award from the Society for Visual Anthropology
- 2011 David Plath Media Award from the Society for East Asian Anthropology
- 2011 University of British Columbia Ethnographic Film Festival – Jury Prize Second Runner Up
- 2007 *Bethel: Community and Schizophrenia in Northern Japan*. Color NTSC DVD and online streaming. 41 minutes. Distributed by CreateSpace.

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

- 2009 Disability, Destitution, and Disaster: Surviving the 1995 Great Hanshin Earthquake in Japan. *Human Organization*. Volume 68 Issue 1 (Spring): 73-81.
- 2006a Creating and Contesting Signs in Contemporary Japan: Language Ideologies, Identity and Community in Flux. *Sign Language Studies* Volume 7 Number 1 (Fall 2006): 11-29.
- 2006b 抵抗と同化：全日本ろうあ連盟と政治権力の関係。社会科学研究、第57巻第3・4合併号。東京：東京大学社会科学研究所紀要。
[Resistance and Assimilation: The Relationship between Japanese Federation and the Deaf and Political Power. *Shakai Kagaku Kenkyū* Vol 57 (3-4). Tokyo: Tokyo University Institute for Social Science.]
- 2002 Resistance and Co-optation: the Japanese Federation of the Deaf and its Relations with State Power. *Social Science Japan Journal*. Vol. 5 (1): 17-35.
- Winner of 2003 Tokyo University Institute of Social Science / Oxford Award for Modern Japanese Studies
- Selected as one of the 100 seminal papers from Oxford Journals (Oxford University Press Centennial)

Book Chapters and Other Journal Articles

- 2014 No voice in the courtroom?: Deaf legal cases in Japan during the 1960s. In *Going to Court to Change Japan: Social Movements and the Law*. Ed. Patricia Steinhoff. Michigan Monograph Series in Japanese Studies, Number 77. 147-163. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.
- 2014 Barrier-Free Brothels: Sex Volunteers, Prostitutes and People with Disabilities. In *Capturing Contemporary Japan: Differentiation and Uncertainty*. Edited by Glenda Roberts, Satsuki Kawano, and Susan Long. 202-220. Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press.
- 2013 The dysprosody of images. In *Visual Research: A Concise Introduction to Thinking Visually*. Edited by Jonathan Marion and Jerome Crowder. New York: Berg.
- 2010 The language politics of Japanese Sign Language (Nihon Shuwa). *Deaf around the World The Impact of Language*. Ed. Gaurav Mathur and Donna Jo Napoli. 316-332. New York: Oxford University Press.
- 2009 障害学とろう者学をつなぐ立場から。障害学研究 2009(5): 52-60
[Connecting Disability Studies and Deaf Studies. *Journal of Disability Studies (Japan)* 2009 (5): 52-60. Tokyo: Japanese Society for Disability Studies]
- 2003a "Deaf Shock," and the Hard-of-Hearing: Japanese Deaf identities at the borderlands. *Many Ways to be Deaf: International Linguistic and Sociocultural Variation*. Ed. Leila Monaghan, Constanze Schmalig, Karen Nakamura, and Graham Turner. Washington, D.C.: Gallaudet University Press.
- 2003b Female masculinity and fantasy spaces: transcending genders in the Takarazuka theatre. With Hisako Matsuo (co-author). *Men and Masculinities in Contemporary Japan: Dislocating the Salaryman Doxa*. Edited by James Roberson and Nobue Suzuki. 59-76. New York: Routledge.
- 1999a 日米のろう運動：比較研究の視点から。手話コミュニケーション研究。日本手話研究所所報。1999.9 (33): 45-54。
[Deaf Movements in the United States and Japan from a Comparative Analytical Perspective. *Sign Language Communication Studies* August (33): 45-54. Tokyo: Japanese Institute for Sign Language Studies.]
- 1999b 言語・文化人類学から見た日米ろう社会と教育（講演会記録 1998.11.14）。トータルコミュニケーション研究会会報。No. 79（冬号）：24-39。
[Deaf education in Japan and the U.S.: a comparative approach from a linguistic and sociocultural anthropology perspective (Lecture Transcript of November 14, 1998). *Total Communications Research Group Report No. 79*. Winter, 1999. Tokyo: Total Communication Research Group.]
- 1998a 民族としてのろう社会：ろう者のアイデンティティ・カルチャーと手話言語コミュニティの形成。日本手話研究所所報, p 51-59, 1998.3 (27)。
[Ethnically deaf: identity, culture, and the making of sign language communities. *Sign Language Communication Studies*. April, 1998. Tokyo: Japanese Institute for Sign Language Studies.]
- 1998b Transitioning on Campus: A Case Studies Approach. In *Working with Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender College Students: A Handbook for Faculty and Administrators*. Ronni L. Sahlo, ed. 179-186. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press.
- 1997 Narrating Ourselves: Duped or duplicitous? In *Gender Blending*. Bonnie Bullough, Vern Bullough, and James Elias, eds. 74-86. Buffalo: Prometheus Press.

Review Essays

- 2013 Making Sense of Sensory Ethnography: The Sensual and the Multisensory. *American Anthropologist*. Vol. 115, No. 1 (March 2013): 132-135.
- 2007 The Chrysanthemum and the Queer: Ethnographic and Historical Perspectives on Sexuality in Japan. *Journal of Homosexuality*. Volume 52, Issue ¾: 267-281.

Book and Film Reviews

- 2015 Review of *Japan, Alcoholism, and Masculinity: Suffering Sobriety in Japan*, by Paul A. Christensen. *Japanese Studies*. Vol. 35, Number 2: 260-262. doi:10.1080/10371397.2015.1080343
- 2015 Review of *Manga Girl Seeks Herbivore Boy: Studying Japanese Gender at Cambridge*, by Brigitte Steger and Angelika Koch, eds. *Social Science Japan Journal*. doi:10.1093/ssjj/jyv004
- 2011 Review of *Afflictions: Culture and Mental Illness in Indonesia* [*The Bird Dancer*, 40 min.; *Family Victim*, 38 min.; *Shadows and Illuminations*, 35 min.], directed by Robert Lemelson (2010). *American Anthropologist*, Vol. 113, No. 4, pp. 655-656.
- 2010 Review of Amy Borovoy's *The Too-Good Wife: Alcohol, Codependency, and the Politics of Nurturance in Postwar Japan* (UC Press 2005). *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*. Volume 23, No. 2: 184-185.
- 2008 Review of *Josee, the Tiger, and the Fish* [*Josee to tora to sakana tachi*], directed by Isshin Inudo (2003). *Asian Educational Media Services News and Reviews*. Issue 31 (Winter): 3-4.
- 2006a Two New Ogawa Shinsuke Films (review). *Visual Anthropology*. Volume 19, No. 3-4: 391-392.
- 2006b Review of Jennifer Robertson, ed. *A Companion to the Anthropology of Japan*. *Pacific Affairs*. Volume 79, No. 1 (Spring): 129-130.
- 2006c Review of Mizuko Ito, Daisuke Okabe, and Misa Matsuda, eds. *Personal, Portable, Pedestrian: Mobile Phones in Japanese Life*. *Journal of Japanese Studies*. Vol. 32 No. 2 (Summer): 459-462.
- 2004a Review of Keiko Hirata's *Civil Society in Japan*. *Social Science Japan Journal*. Vol. 7, No. 2 (October): 318-320.
- 2004b Review of Megan Jennaway's *Sisters and Lovers: Women and Desire in Bali*. *American Ethnologist*. Vol. 31, No. 1 (February).
- 2004c Review of Jennifer Robertson's *Takarazuka: Sexual Politics and Popular Culture in Modern Japan*. *Visual Anthropology* 17: 205-207.
- 1998 Review of Jennifer Terry and Jacqueline Urla's *Deviant Bodies: Critical Perspectives on Difference in Science and Popular Culture*. *SOLGAN* Vol. 20, No. 3: 5-6.

Other Publications

- 2011 セクシュアリティと障害：文化人類学視点から [Sexuality and Disability – from an Anthropological Perspective]. *Annual Report of the [University of Tokyo] Center for Barrier Free Education*. Vol. 1: 93-109.
- 2008 A Case Against Giving Informants Cameras and Coming Back Weeks Later. Knowledge Exchange. *Anthropology News*. Vol. 49, No. 2: 20. Washington, D.C. American Anthropological Association.
- 2005 Severe Disabilities, Liberalism, and Social Welfare Policy in Japan and the United States. *Anthropology News*. Vol. 46, No. 9: 58. Washington, D.C.: American Anthropological Association.
- 2002a Eight photographs of rural Malaysia in "Meeting Malaysia." Text by Jan Shaw-Flamm. *Macalester Today* (Summer): 22-29.

- 2002b "Deafness, Ethnicity, and Minority Politics in Modern Malaysia." *Macalester International* Volume 12 (Autumn): 193-202. St. Paul, MN: Macalester College.
- 2002c 9月11日以降のアメリカ。季刊ミミ 95号(春): 10-11。東京:全日本ろうあ連盟。 [America after September 11th, *Quarterly Mimi* No. 95 (Spring): 10-11. Tokyo: Japanese Federation of the Deaf.]
- 2002d Morals, Sexuality, and Fieldwork. Ethical Currents. *Anthropology News*. Vol. 43 (3 [March]): 24. Washington, D.C.: American Anthropological Association.
- 2002e Helpful or Harmful: How Innovative Communication Technology Affect Survivors of Intimate Violence. By Ann L. Kranz with Karen Nakamura. Minneapolis, MN: Minnesota Center Against Violence and Abuse. <http://www.mincava.umn.edu/>

Publications in Progress

- Forthcoming* *Trans/Japan, Trans/Disability: Sexuality, Disability, and Eugenics*. Manuscript in preparation.

Selected Awards

- 2011 Society for East Asian Anthropology David Plath Media Award for *A Japanese Funeral*
- 2011 University of British Columbia Ethnographic Film Festival Jury Prize (2nd Runner up) for *A Japanese Funeral*
- 2010 Best Short Film Media Award from the Society for Visual Anthropology awarded for *A Japanese Funeral* (Manic Films 2010).
- 2008 John Whitney Hall Book Prize from the Association for Asian Studies awarded to *Deaf in Japan: Signing and the Politics of Identity* (Cornell University Press 2006).
- 2006 Journal article "Resistance and Co-optation" selected as one of 100 Seminal Papers in the Oxford University Press Centenary of Publishing.
- 2003 Tokyo University Institute of Social Science / Oxford University Award for Modern Japanese Studies.
- 1993 Cornell University: Phi Beta Kappa & Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

Selected Grants and Fellowships

- 2011 Yale University Senior Faculty Fellowship.
- 2011 Association for Asian Studies NEAC Short-Term Travel Fellowship. PI. \$3000.
- 2011 Waseda University / Yale University 125th Anniversary Asakawa Kanichi Fellowship. PI. JP¥1,200,000 + USD \$1200 + rent-free accommodation and use of research facilities for six months (Sept 1, 2011 to Feb 29, 2012).
- 2007 Yale University Junior Faculty Fellowship.
- 2004-05 Abe Fellow, Social Science Research Council and Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership. PI. \$83,000.
- 2004 East-West Center China-U.S.A. Asian Studies Development Program.
- 2002-03 Macalester Faculty Research and Teaching Grants (College Co-Mentoring Fellowship; Freeman Fund China Travel Grant; Mellon Summer Research Fellowship; Bush Course Development Grant; International Seminar, Penang, Malaysia).
- 1999-00 Yale University Council on East Asian Studies Prize Fellowship.
- 1999 SSRC Japan Dissertation Workshop Fellowship.
- 1997-9 Wenner-Gren Foundation Small Grant for Dissertation Research. PI. \$18,000.

Exhibitions and Film Screenings

- Mar 10, 2015 Film Screening and Discussion with Filmmaker: *Bethel: Community and Schizophrenia in Northern Japan*. Disability Incarcerated symposium at University of California Berkeley.
- Mar 7, 2015 Film Screening: *Bethel: Community and Schizophrenia in Northern Japan*. Mental Health in Japan symposium at University of Pittsburgh.
- May 11, 2014 Film Screening and Discussion with Filmmaker: *Bethel: Community and Schizophrenia in Northern Japan*. Mad in America Film Festival.
- June 26, 2013 Film screening: *A Japanese Funeral*. International Convention of Asia Scholars (ICAS) 2013. Macao SAR, P.R. China.
- March 22, 2013 Film screening: *A Japanese Funeral*. Association for Asian Studies Film Expo at the AAS Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA.
- April 30, 2011 Film screening: *A Japanese Funeral*. University of British Columbia Ethnographic Film Festival.
- Nov 18, 2010 USA Premiere: *A Japanese Funeral*. Society for Visual Anthropology Film and Interactive Media Screenings at the American Anthropological Association, Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- Nov 14, 2010 International Premiere: *A Japanese Funeral*. Globians International Documentary Festival at Stuttgart, Germany.
- Feb 26, 2009 Film screening: *Bethel: Community and Schizophrenia in Northern Japan*. Oberlin College (Oberlin, Ohio).
- March 2, 2008 Japan Premiere: *Bethel: Community and Schizophrenia in Northern Japan*. Feminist Active Documentary Video Festival Renren. Tokyo, Japan.
- Sept 7, 2007 International Premiere: *Bethel: Community and Schizophrenia in Northern Japan*. Disabled People's International World Assembly. Seoul, Korea.
- March 28, 2007 Film screening: *Bethel: Community and Schizophrenia in Northern Japan* (rough cut). Asia Art Week. University of South Carolina.
- Nov 11, 2006 Film screening: *Bethel: Community and Schizophrenia in Northern Japan* (rough cut). Conference on Representing Disability: Theory, Politics, Practice. Haverford College.
- Oct 11, 2006 Film screening: *Bethel: Community and Schizophrenia in Northern Japan* (rough cut). Margaret Mead Ethnographic Film Festival at Yale University, New Haven.
- Oct - Nov, 2006 Photography exhibition: *Disability in Japan*. Sterling Memorial Library, Yale University.

Conference Presentations and Lecture Series (Past 5 Years)

- June 30, 2017 Presenter. "Japan Anthropology in the Digital Age." Conference *Disability as Spectacle*. Plenary panel on Japanese Studies in the Digital Age at the Biennial Conference of the Japanese Studies Association of Australia at the University of Wollongong.
- April 14, 2017 Keynote Speaker. "The Spectacle of Disability (Studies) in the Age of Trump." Conference *Disability as Spectacle*. Disability Studies Program, University of California at Los Angeles.
- March 30, 2017 Roundtable participant on panel on *Teaching (Un)Comfortable Topics in the Classroom*. Pedagogy roundtable organized by United States Holocaust Memorial Museum's Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Center for Holocaust Studies and Humboldt State University.
- April 2, 2016 Presenter. Paper on "A town without a psychiatric ward: Italian-style deinstitutionalization in Japan" Panel on *Mental Health and Illness in Contemporary*

- Japan* organized by Paul Christensen. Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Seattle, Washington.
- Nov 20, 2015 Presenter. Paper on "Sex, Disability and Eugenics: The Strange Afterlife of A Nazi-Era Eugenics Law in Contemporary Japan." Panel on *DISABILITY, DEFAMILLARIZATION, AND 'THE NEW NORMAL* organized by Faye Ginsburg and Rayna Rapp. Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Denver CO.
- June 12, 2015 Presenter. Paper on "I am not a Medical Anthropologist" for panel on *Intersections of Disability Studies and Medical Anthropology I and II* organized by Emily Goldsher-Diamond. Society for Disability Studies Annual Meeting Atlanta, GA.
- May 21, 2015 Discussant. UC Berkeley Center for Japanese Studies Annual Graduate Student Conference.
- May 8, 2015 Presenter. Paper on "Visual Anthropology, Photographs, and Film in the House of Anthropology." Symposium on *Mobility and Method: Visual Cultures of Ethnography and Travel* organized by Inderpal Grewal, Yale University.
- April 11, 2015 Roundtable participant on panel on *Translatability of Human Experience: Reassessment of Monolithic Translations of Japanese-Derived Experiences Through the Triangulation of the Native, the Etic, and the In-Between* organized by Hidetada Shimizu. Society for Psychological Anthropology (SPA) Biennial Meeting, Boston, MA.
- March 28, 2015 Conference paper on "Visualizing Transsexual Rights Movements in Japan." Panel on *Revisualizing East Asian* organized by Marc Moskowitz. Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- Feb 12-14, 2015 Organizer, Keynote Respondent, Panel Chair. Yale LGBT Studies Conference on *Queering Anthropology*. Yale University.
- Dec 5, 2014 Discussant. Panel on "Japan at the Edge." American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Washington DC.
- Dec 4, 2014 Roundtable Presenter. Panel on "Ethnographic Film Production and Distribution: Current Practices and Possibilities." Dec 5, 2014
Discussant. Panel on "Japan at the Edge." American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Washington DC.
- April 3, 2014 Conference paper: Barrier Free Brothels and Call Girls for Crips. Conference on *Composing Disability*. George Washington University.
- March 28, 2014 Conference paper on *Trans in Paradise: The Case of FTM Men in Okinawa*. Panel on "Paradise" organized by Christine Yano. Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA.
- March 21, 2014 Conference paper on *The Medical Anthropology and Epidemiology of GID: A Global Perspective*. Japanese Association for Gender Identity Studies Annual Meeting, Okinawa, Japan.
- March 13, 2014 Conference paper on *Ethical Dimensions in Ethnographic Mental Health Research: Who is Protecting Who?* Conference on "New Directions in Social Studies of Medicine, Science and Ethics" held in honor of Margaret Lock. Princeton University.
- Nov 24, 2013 Conference paper on *Bent Nails Standing Proud*. Conference on Japan and the Singularity. INALCO Paris, France.
- Nov 24, 2013 Conference paper on *Trans/Japan, Trans/Disability*. CoGEA Invited Panel. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago.
- Oct 31, 2013 Lecture on *A Disability of the Soul*. Mellon Lecture Series. University of Missouri at Saint Louis. Tarragona, Spain.

- June 13, 2013 Workshop on *Negotiating Access and IRBs* for the Society for Medical Anthropology / European Association for Social Anthropology Joint Conference. Tarragona, Spain.
- Apr 19, 2013 Conference paper. *Biopsychosocial approaches to Psychiatric Disabilities*. Panel on *Injury, Illness, Chronic Pain and Disability Studies*. Debilitating Queerness: The Sixth Annual DC Queer Studies Symposium hosted by the LGBT Studies Program at University of Maryland.
- Apr 5, 2013 Plenary paper. *Trans/Japan, Trans/Disability*. Cripistemologies conference hosted by the Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality at New York University.
- Mar 18, 2013 Discussant. Panel title: *Diva Nation: Female Icons from Japanese Cultural History*. Organized by Laura Miller. Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting.
- Nov 20, 2011 Conference paper. *Call Girls and Crips: Intersections of Disability and Sexuality In a Dark Japan*. Panel on "Capturing Japan after the lost decade." Reviewed by the Society for East Asian Anthropology. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Montreal, Canada.
- Nov 17, 2011 Discussant. Panel title: *The deadly legacies of neglect: deafness, disability, and HIV/AIDS discourses*. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting.
- March 15, 2010 Discussant. Panel title: *A Discourse-Centered Approach to Japanese Culture*. Japan Anthropology Workshop (JAWS). University of Texas at Austin.

Public and Guest Lectures and Presentations (Past 5 Years)

- Feb 22, 2017 Public Lecture: *Trans/Japan: The Reframing of Trans as Disability in Contemporary Japan*. Honor Society of International Scholars, Phi Beta Delta's chapter Zeta Tau at Sonoma State University.
- April 13, 2016 Public Lecture: *Disability Rights in Global Perspective*. Clarke Forum for Contemporary Issues. Dickinson College.
- Oct 22, 2015 Public Lecture: *Cultural Madness: Notes on an Anthropology of Psychosocial Disability*. Disability Studies Lecture Series. Rosenblum Invited Lecture. George Washington University, Washington, DC.
- Oct 21, 2015 Public Lecture: *Trans/Disability: Rethinking transsexuality as a disability contemporary Japan?* Disability Studies Lecture Series. Georgetown University, Washington, DC.
- Sept 17, 2015 Public Lecture: *50 years post-civil rights, 20 years post-ADA: Where are the scholars of color and scholars with disabilities at Yale?* New Haven Chapter of the Telluride's Association's (NHTA) 2015-2016 speaker series: Politics and the University. New Haven, CT.
- July 5, 2015 Keynote Lecture: 米国から見た当事者研究 (Self-Directed Research from the Perspective of the United States). 第3回ふくしま当事者研究ネット交流会 Third Annual Meeting of the Fukushima Self-Direct Research Network Association. Koriyama City, Fukushima Prefecture, Japan.
- May 11, 2015 Colloquium Lecture: *Deaf Pride, Wheelchair Citizens, and Crazy in Japan: Understanding East Asia through the Anthropology of Disability*. East Asian Studies Colloquium, New York University
- April 27, 2015 Public Lecture: *Trans/Disability: Discourses on transsexuality, disability, and sexuality in contemporary Japan*. Holy Cross University.
- Feb 17, 2015 Guest Speaker. Yale University School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry Elective Course on "Religion, Spirituality and Worldview in Psychiatry"
- Dec 2, 2014 Roundtable Panelist. Critical Intersectionalities with(in) Disability, Sexuality, and Feminism. Georgetown University.

- Oct 28, 2014 Public Lecture: *Studying Disability and Mental Illness at Yale*. Working Women's Network, Yale University.
- April 14, 2014 Public Lecture: *Schizophrenia and a Life in Decline in Japan: An Anthropology of Mental Illness*. Department of Anthropology, University of California Berkeley.
- Jan 22, 2014 Public Lecture: *Schizophrenia and Community Life in Japan: The Bethel House Experience*. Connecticut Mental Health Center.
- Oct 2, 2013 Public Lecture: *Disability Studies in Japan*. A Pechakucha Presentation. WGSS, Yale University.
- May 8, 2013 Public Lecture: *Fieldwork Studies in Disability Studies*. University of California at Los Angeles.
- May 11, 2012 Public Lecture: *A Disability of the Soul: Japan, Schizophrenia, Psychotourism, and Bethel House*. Asia Center. University of Utah.
- Mar 22, 2012 Public Lecture: *Crooked Nails Standing Tall: Images and Stories of Disability and Mental Illness in Contemporary Japan*. Museum of Anthropology, Wake Forest University.
- Jan 19, 2012 Public Lecture: トランス/ディサビリティ：比較人類学の視点から見る障害、クィア、性同一性障害の現代的運動 *Trans/Disability: Disability, Queer Sexualities, and Transsexuality from a Comparative Ethnographic Perspective*. Barrier Free Education Center Lecture Series, University of Tokyo.

Higher Education

- 2001 Ph.D. in Sociocultural Anthropology, Department of Anthropology, Yale University.
Dissertation title: *Deaf Identities, Sign Languages, and Minority Social Movement Politics in Modern Japan (1868-2000)*. Advisor: Professor William Kelly.
- 1998 M.Phil. in Sociocultural Anthropology, Department of Anthropology, Yale University.
- 1993 B.A. *magna cum laude*. Cornell University. Double major, College Scholar Program and Psychology with a concentration in Women's Studies. Distinction in all subjects.

Current and Previous Academic and Research Positions

- 2016.1 ~ present *Robert and Colleen Haas Distinguished Chair in Disability Studies and Professor of Anthropology*. University of California, Berkeley, CA.
- 2016.3 ~ present *Principal Investigator*. Center for Information Technology Research in the Interest of Society (CITRIS), University of California.
- 2016.1.1 ~ 2016.6.30 *Research Scholar* Yale University, New Haven, CT.
- 2014-2015 *Chair*, LGBT Studies, Yale University.
- 2013.7 ~ 2015.12 *Associate Professor of Anthropology and East Asian Studies with Tenure*, Yale University, New Haven, CT.
- 2011.7 ~ 2013.6 *Associate Professor of Anthropology and East Asian Studies on Term*, Yale University, New Haven, CT.
- 2005.8 ~ 2011.6 *Assistant Professor of Anthropology and East Asian Studies*, Yale University, New Haven, CT.
- 2001.8 ~ 2005.8 *Assistant Professor of Anthropology*. Macalester College, St. Paul MN.
- 2000.8 ~ 2001.7 *Visiting Assistant Professor of Anthropology and Asian Studies*. Bowdoin College, Brunswick Maine.

Volunteer and Service Positions

2017.1-present	<i>Graduate Advisor</i> , UC Berkeley and UCSF Joint Medical Anthropology Doctoral Program.
2017.6-present	<i>Member</i> , Chancellor's Committee on Disability Strategies, UC Berkeley.
2017.3-2017.8	<i>Chair of Drafting Committee</i> , Disabled Faculty Access Committee, UC Berkeley.
2016.10-2017.8	<i>Chair</i> , Disabled Students Access Committee, UC Berkeley.
2015-present	<i>Selection committee member</i> , Wenner-Gren Fejos Postdoctoral Fellowship.
2017-2019	<i>Board Member</i> , Board of Directors, <i>Society for Disability Studies</i> . Also: Co-chair of Awards and Nominations Committee.
2017-	<i>Member</i> , Editorial Board, <i>Culture and Disability</i> .
2017	<i>Jury Member</i> , SuperFest Film Festival.
2016-	<i>Secretary</i> , Faculty Coalition for Disability Rights, Berkeley CA.
2016-2017	<i>Faculty Fellow</i> , Townsend Center for the Humanities, UC Berkeley.
2016-2018	<i>Member</i> , Advisory Board, Journal of Diversity and Gender Studies (DiGeSt)
2015-2018	<i>Member</i> , Editorial Board, <i>Amerasia Journal</i> .
2014-15, 15-16	<i>Member</i> , AAUW International Fellowship Selection Panel (Social-Sciences).
2013-2015	<i>Chair</i> , Association Operations Committee, American Anthropological Association.
2012-2015	<i>Executive Board member</i> , American Anthropological Association (Elected as the Section Assembly Representative).
2013-2016	<i>Member</i> , <i>Northeast Asia Council</i> , Association for Asian Studies.
2015-2016	<i>Chair</i> , <i>Northeast Asia Council</i> , Association for Asian Studies.
2014-2015	<i>Vice-Chair</i> , <i>Northeast Asia Council</i> , Association for Asian Studies.
2013-15, 2009-11	<i>Board member</i> , Society for Visual Anthropology, American Anthropological Association.
2014	<i>Panelist</i> , National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Fellowships for Advanced Social Science Research on Japan Review Board.
2013-2014	<i>Jury Member</i> , SVA Film Festival.
2012	<i>SVA Film Festival Czarista</i> , Society for Visual Anthropology Film and Media Festival.
2011	<i>SVA Film Festival Czarista and Co-Coordinator</i> , Society for Visual Anthropology Film and Media Festival.
2010~	<i>Member</i> , Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Council, Yale University.
2009-2011	<i>Member</i> , Yale University Human Subjects Committee.
2008~	<i>Member</i> , LGBT Studies Committee, Yale University.
2008-2012	<i>Editorial Board</i> , American Anthropologist, American Anthropological Association.
2008-2010	<i>Co-Chair</i> , SOLGA: The Society for Lesbian and Gay Anthropology, American Anthropological Association.
2008-2009	<i>Member</i> , Yale College Course of Study Committee.
2008-2009	<i>Academic Mentor</i> , Yale Mellon-Bouchet Undergraduate Fellowship Program.

- 2005-2008 *Elected member, Committee on Minority Affairs in Anthropology, American Anthropological Association.*
- 2004-2005 *Nominated Member, American Anthropological Association SOLGA /*
- 2002-2005 *Elected member (Minority Seat), Long-Range Planning Committee, American Anthropological Association.*
- 2002-2004 *Academic Mentor. Mellon Minority Undergraduate Fellowship Program. Macalester College.*
- 2002-2004 *Nominated member, American Anthropological Association SOLGA Payne Student Research Prize Committee.*
- 2000-2005 *SOLGA Liaison (AAA Board nominated position), Committee on Ethics, American Anthropological Association.*
- 1993-1994 *Board of Directors; Educational Representative; Board Secretary; Executive Committee Member; Co-chair, Recruitment Committee. Board of Directors. Ithaca Rape Crisis, Inc. Ithaca NY. Also, Educator 1991-1994.*

Engineering and Systems Development Background

- 1996 – 2016. President, Global Mapping Systems. Lead developer of GPSy. GPS/GIS Macintosh mapping and navigation systems development. Shipping products: GPSy for MacOS, GPS portion of DeLorme StreetAtlas 4 for Macintosh.
- 1993 – 1996 Macintosh systems and network developer, Yale University. Responsible for development of Macintosh PPP/ARA end-user solutions. Shipping Products: Network Starter Kit, misc. CGI scripts. for network access
- 1993–1994 Network Administrator / Computer Systems Development, Department of Modern Languages and Linguistics, Cornell University. Internal Use Only: AV Materials Library and Invoicing Control System (4th Dimension).
- 1991–1993 NeXTSTEP Developer, Focal Point Computer, Inc., Tokyo Japan. Developed a comprehensive suite of SCSI hard drive utilities and driver software for the Sony Vbox (computer video controller). Shipping Products: SCSI Suite; SCSI SpeedGun; SCSI Formatter. Internal Release Only: Sony V-BOX controller.
- 1992–1993 Co-publisher and Technical Editor, NeXTWATCH, then the largest commercial newsletter for the NeXTSTEP system.
- 1990–1991 External Consultant / Developer, Canon Information Systems, Palo Alto, USA. Developed the Canon IX-Scans software package, the kernel for the Canon Still Video Floppy drive system, and the driver software for the Canon Magneto Optical SCSI system. Shipping Product: IX-SCANS. Internal Release Only SVVideo Controller; MO-Controller.
- 1989–1993 Freelance NeXTSTEP systems developer. Shipping Product: Cassandra.
- 1989 Senior Consultant and Programmer, Focal Point Computer Inc., Tokyo Japan. Worked closely with large corporations to assist in networking and optimizing their shared computing environments. Clients included the Tokyo offices of Dentsu Burson Marsteller, Peat Marwick, and Merrill Lynch.

Doctoral Dissertations Supervised

Valerie Black, Sociocultural Anthropology, UC Berkeley entering class of 2015. Dissertation Advisor.

H. Sheikholeslami, Sociocultural Anthropology, Yale U.

“Thinking through Translation: Translators, Publishers, and the Formation of Publics in Contemporary Iran”

- NSF Doctoral Dissertation Grant #1226303 awarded.
- SSRC IDRF Fellowship awarded.
- Entered August 2009, submitted August 2017.

Elizabeth Miles, Sociocultural Anthropology, Yale U.

“Heterosexual Masculinity in Postmainstream Japan”

- IIE Dissertation Grant awarded.
- Submitted May 2017 and awarded PhD in Sociocultural Anthropology.

Doctoral Dissertations Committees Served or Dissertations Examined

Kyohei Itakura (UC Davis; Anthropology; entering class of 2015). Exam committee member.

Laura Harrison (UC Santa Cruz; Sociology; entering class of 2012). Dissertation committee member.

Rebekah Cupitt (KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden).

“Make difference. Deafness and video technology at work.” Chair: Per-Anders Forstorp. Dissertation Opponent. PhD Granted 2017.

Thomas Martyn Stanley Baudinette (Monash University, Japanese Studies, PhD Dec 2015) – “The construction of desire: young gay men and media in Japan.” Chairs: Prof Carolyn Stevens and Dr Sarah Pasfield-Neofitou. External examiner.

Sarah LeBaron von Baeyer (Yale University, Sociocultural Anthropology PhD 2015) – “National Worlds, Transnational Lives: Nikkei-Brazilian Migrants in and of Japan and Brazil.” Chair: William Kelly. Dissertation committee member.

Isaac Gagne (Yale Sociocultural Anthropology PhD 2013) – “Private Religion and Public Morality: Understanding Cultural Secularism in Late Capitalist Japan.” Chair: William Kelly.

Ryan Sayre (Yale Sociocultural Anthropology PhD 2012) – “Preparing for Preparedness: Security, Disaster and ‘Recursive Modernity’ in Contemporary Japan.” Chair: William Kelly.

Anne Watzka Aronsson (Yale Sociocultural Anthropology PhD 2012) – “Career Women in Contemporary Japan: Pursuing Identities, Fashioning Lives.” Chair: William Kelly.

Ellen Rubinstein (Yale Sociocultural Anthropology PhD 2012) – “Diagnosing Deviance: Schizophrenia and Social Withdrawal in Contemporary Japan.” Chair: William Kelly.

Nathaniel Smith (Yale Sociocultural Anthropology PhD 2011) – “Right Wing Activism in Japan and the Politics of Futility.” Chair: William Kelly.

Elizabeth Busbee (Yale Sociocultural Anthropology PhD 2008) – “Power Exchange: Interaction and Identity in a BDSM Community.” Chair: Harold Scheffler.

Post-Doctoral and Visiting Assistants in Research Students Supervised

Soya Mori (Institute for Developing Economies, JETRO). Visiting Scholar Researcher. Aug 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018.

Magdalena Szarota (University of Lancaster and Polish Academy of Sciences). Visiting Assistant in Research funded by Kosciuszko Foundation to do research on American disability movements. Jan 10 – May 31, 2015.

Mana Kawanishi (Doshisha University). Visiting Assistant in Research funded by the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) Student Exchange Support Program) Scholarship to do research on American gender and sexuality. Aug 15, 2012 – May 31, 2013.

Professional Memberships

American Anthropological Association (Life Member)
Society for East Asian Anthropology
Society for Medical Anthropology
Society for Linguistic Anthropology (Life Member)
Association for Queer Anthropology (Past Co-Chair)
Society for Visual Anthropology (Board Member 2013-2015)
Association for Asian Studies (member)
North East Asia Council (Chair 2015-2016)
Society for Disability Studies (member; Board Member 2017-2019)

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Profile

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Alta Bates Summit Medical _____ Clinical Social Worker
Center - Acute Rehabilitation Employer Job Title

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Commission on Persons with Disabilities: Submitted

Interests & Experiences

Please tell us how your qualifications and participation will relate to the requested board and/or commission's mission.

I am an individual with a spinal cord injury who uses a manual wheelchair for my mobility. I am a Clinical Social Worker for Alta Bates Summit Medical Center Acute Rehabilitation Unit. In my personal and professional experience, I enjoy working with individuals with any disability and feel that my experiences can help benefit the City of Oakland, where I currently live and where I grew up. I am also a Board Member for Bay Area Outreach and Recreation Program (borp.org) who provides competitive and recreational activities for individuals with a disability.

Please submit your resume or curriculum vitae. You may upload a document. (A Word format is preferred.) Alternatively, you may paste the text of your resume in the field provided below.

Commission on Disabilities Resume.docx
Upload a Resume

Please paste the text of your resume or curriculum vitae below.

Please click the acknowledgement below.

Service on City of Oakland boards, commissions, and committees may require filings of the FPPC's Statements of Economic Interest (Form 700). Upon appointment and determination of filing status, I will comply with all filing obligations.

I Agree *

Steve Lau, ACSW #36895

CA 94606

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Objective

I am interested in becoming a member of the Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities for the City of Oakland in order to assist in addressing concerns of the disability community. As an individual with a spinal cord injury and I am passionate in ensuring accessibility and integration throughout our community.

Relevant Experience

Clinical Social Worker (Full Time 40 hours/week) 20, 2015 - Present

April

Alta Bates Summit Medical Center Regional Acute Rehabilitation - Oakland, CA

Clinical Social Worker functions as a member of the inpatient rehabilitation team to develop an individual plan of care for the persons served. Patient and family goals, preferences and unique needs shall be incorporated into the individually tailored plan of care.

- Conducts comprehensive psychosocial assessment for all new patients,
- Participate in weekly interdisciplinary panel meetings and conferences to develop individualized plan of cares for each patient and to ensure patient is making progress towards discharge.
- Collaboration with program manager and utilization manager to address patient issues regarding insurance.
- Provides appropriate recommendations regarding continuity of care after discharge and provide necessary resources to assist and improve the quality of life for each patient.
- A member of the Spinal Cord Injury Committee to improve internal and external processes, provided additional education for patients and employees, developing a peer support program, and to improve the quality of care for patients.
- A member of the Experience of Work committee to engage with management and employees to identify and solve problems in a collaborative process to improve employee's experiences at work as a means to improve job satisfaction and morale.

Medical Social Worker (Full Time 40 hours/week) 2013 - April 20, 2015

November 6,

Fresenius Medical Care - Oakland, CA

Provide psychosocial services to in-center hemodialysis patient in an interdisciplinary team to promote positive adjustment, rehabilitation, and improve the quality of life for our dialysis patients. Principle responsibilities includes:

- Administer comprehensive psychosocial assessment for all new patients, as well as annual, 90 day, and unstable patients.
- Participate in care planning in collaboration with the IDT to identify effective interventions that will help the patient meet treatment goals and improve quality of life.
- Utilize psycho-educational counseling methods aimed at improving areas of need, treatment compliance, and quality of life
- Collaboration with management, Financial Coordinators, and billing group to address patient issues regarding to insurance.
- Administer Kidney Disease and Quality of Life (KDQOL) survey at 90 day and annually in order to document the patient's subjective well-being and provide IDT relevant information during treatment planning.

Masters in Social Work Intern August 2013

September 2012 -

Palo Alto VA Health Care System - Spinal Cord Injury and Disease Unit - Palo Alto, CA

Medical Social Worker Intern providing services to Veteran's and their families in an in-patient, out-patient, and home-care setting.

- Provide therapeutic counseling and case management services to Veterans in Spinal Cord Injury Unit
- Conduct comprehensive psychosocial assessments to determine the well-being, support system, and financial needs of Veterans and their families.

- Collaborate with inter-disciplinary team members on behalf of the Veteran.
- Participate in an inter-disciplinary team meetings and family conferences.

Masters in Social Work Intern September 2011-May 2012

Vitas Innovative Hospice Care - Milpitas, CA

Medical Social Worker Intern provided services to hospice patients and their families in a home care setting.

- Conducted comprehensive psychosocial assessments to identify the needs of the patient and their family.
- Collaborated with a multi-disciplinary team in order to
- Provided brief therapeutic counseling to hospice patients within a home care setting.

Social Services Intern September 2009- June 2010

Bay Area Outreach and Recreation Program (BORP) - Berkeley, CA

Providing sports and recreational opportunities for children with disabilities working towards improving their health, independence, and social integration.

- Mentoring, inspiring, and educating children with disabilities about their abilities.
- Assistant coach for the wheelchair basketball team, providing competitive sports opportunities for children with disabilities.

Prior Professional Experience

**FHA Loan Modification Underwriter
2011**

December 2010- June

Quattro Mortgage - Burlingame, CA

Analyzed credit, income, assets, and appraisals for FHA mortgage loan modifications.

**FHA Mortgage Loan Underwriter
2009**

September 2008 - May

Wells Fargo Bank - San Leandro, CA

Analyzed credit, income, assets, and appraisals for FHA mortgage loans.

Mortgage Consultant

July 2006 - July 2008

Wachovia Bank (formerly World Savings Bank)

Originations of new mortgage loans to meet customer's needs.

Board of Behavioral Sciences: ASW #36895

Education

- San Jose State University, San Jose, CA - Masters in Social Work, May 2013
- California State University East Bay, Hayward, CA - Bachelors of Art in Sociology, Social Services Option, June 2010
- Las Positas College, Livermore, CA - Associate of Arts in Liberal Sciences, May 2009
- Bishop O'dowd High School, Oakland, CA - High School Diploma, Class of 1998

Memberships

- Bay Area Outreach and Recreation Program (BORP) - board of directors since 2015
- Social Work Graduate Student Association, San Jose State University

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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY HONORABLE MAYOR LIBBY SCHAAF

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF STEVEN LAU AND KAREN NAKAMURA TO THE COMMISSION ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

WHEREAS, Section 601 of the City Charter provides that members of City boards and commissions shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the affirmative vote of five members of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 9968 C.M.S., adopted August 5, 1980, and amended by Ordinance No. 11864 C.M.S., adopted March 12, 1996, created the Commission on Persons with Disabilities to address issues germane to accessibility, services and civil rights for persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Commission on Persons with Disabilities consists of eleven (11) members, serving three year staggered terms with no more than two consecutive terms; and

WHEREAS, 51% of Commission members must be persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Mayor Libby Schaaf has appointed Steven Lau and Kevin Nakamura to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities, subject to confirmation by the City Council; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That pursuant to City Charter section 601 the City Council hereby confirms the Mayor's following appointments to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities:

Steven Lau, to serve a three-year term that began October 9, 2017 and ending October 8, 2020, filling a seat previously held by Daryl Meshack.

Karen Nakamura, to serve a three-year term that began September 3, 2019 and ending September 2, 2022, filling a seat previously held by herself.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FORTUNATO BAS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND
PRESIDENT KAPLAN

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California