

Throughout 2014, in celebration of the 125th anniversary year since its establishment, the Consulate General of Japan in Vancouver is pleased to present:

PARALLEL PATHS

Japanese Diplomacy & Nikkei Heritage

A series of 6 forums tracing the parallel histories of the Japanese consulate in Vancouver and the Japanese community featuring keynote speakers, reports from Japan's Diplomatic Archives, and some personal recollections from those who lived the history.

the second forum:

Family Settlement: Early 20th Century – Pre-war

Friday, May 23, -- 7 pm

Steveston Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre

behind the Steveston Community Centre Marital Arts Centre building 4111 Moncton Street, Richmond

Based on his research of documents from the Japanese Diplomatic Archives, Consul General Okada will talk about consulate activity during this period that began with general stability before relations deteriorated. Special guest speaker Jim Kojima will talk about the history of the Japanese fishermen in Steveston from the early years to 1940's. He will discuss their arrival, how they lived, the prejudice and injustice, picture brides, and the coming of the second generation.

Following the speakers, there will be a panel discussion and a Q&A session open for audience participation. This is a free event open to the public.

Registrations appreciated: <u>event@vc.mofa.go.jp</u>

Other upcoming forums in this series:	
June 27 (Fri) 7 pm	WW II Period Steveston Buddhist Temple; Speakers: Consul General Okada, Dr. Henry Shimizu
August 2 (Sat) (time TBD)	Post-war Rebuilding Period Location: (TBD); Speakers: Consul General Okada, Gordon Kadota
October 24 (Fri) 7 pm	Redress Movement – 1990s Nikkei Place; Speakers: Special Guest (TBD), Consul General Okada
Nov. 28 (Fri) 7 pm	Recent Years: 1990 – Present Nikkei Place; Speaker: Consul General Okada, Greg Masuda