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**Grant Recipients Announced for
California Civil Liberties Public Education Program**

Sacramento – State Librarian of California Stacey A. Aldrich has announced the 2009-2010 grant recipients for the California Civil Liberties Public Education Program (CCLPEP), a program administered by the State Librarian.

Twenty-five proposals were selected for grant awards. Fifteen of the 25 grants were awarded to projects that focused on the first priority for grant funding this year—recording the oral histories of Nisei Japanese Americans who were forcibly relocated to internment centers during World War II. These projects include gathering the stories of those who recently received honorary college degrees from schools they were forced to leave.

Other winning projects include documentary films, books, historical and art exhibits, digitization of the oldest continuously published English language newspaper devoted to the Japanese American experience, a Manzanar pilgrimage program, and preservation of internment centers and artifacts.

A complete listing of the 2009-2010 grant recipients and their projects appears below and on the CCLPEP website at <http://CivilLiberties.library.ca.gov> .

In all, CCLPEP received 63 grant proposal requests totaling over \$1.3 million for 2009-2010. \$450,000 was available for distribution this year.

CCLPEP is the result of the 1998 California Civil Liberties Public Education Act, an initiative sponsored by Assembly Member Mike Honda. The purpose of the Act was to provide funding for public education activities and educational materials surrounding the internment of Japanese Americans and permanent resident aliens of Japanese ancestry. The intention was to illuminate and create understanding of the causes and circumstances of the internment and similar events. Over 300 CCLPEP grants have been awarded since the program's inception in 1998, resulting in educational projects in a variety of formats, many with curriculum guides.

"Each year the CCLPEP projects add to the growing body of work that has fulfilled the original purpose of the Act," said Aldrich. "The 2009-2010 projects will definitely add to that body of work."

For more information about this year's grant award projects and the program, please visit the CCLPEP website, <http://CivilLiberties.library.ca.gov>, or contact Linda Springer at (916) 651-6509 or lspringer@library.ca.gov.

About the California State Library: Founded in 1850, the California State Library is celebrating its 160th anniversary as the central reference and research library for the Governor's office, legislature, state employees, and the general public. The State Library administers federal and state grants for programs in areas such as historical preservation, digital preservation, library construction, civil

liberties education, literacy, volunteering, homework assistance, and high-speed Internet connectivity in public libraries. For more information, please visit www.library.ca.gov.

Grant Recipient	Project Name
The California Museum	<i>Uprooted!</i> Oral History Project: Japanese Americans Remember World War II Internment
Center for Multicultural Cooperation	Nisei Voices
Central California District Council of the Japanese American Citizens League	Fresno Assembly Center Memorial Project
Amelia Chua	<i>Being Human, Being True</i>
Densho: The Japanese American Legacy Project	Preserving Nisei Life Stories in the Bay Area
Friends and Family of Nisei Veterans	Japanese American History / Nisei Veterans Exhibit
Antonia Grace Glenn	<i>The Ito Sisters</i>
Japanese American Historical Society of San Diego	The Tag Project: E.O. 9066
Japanese American National Museum	Nisei Oral History Project
Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California	Completion of <i>Transcending - The Wat Misaka Story</i> and DVD Distribution
Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California	Dreams Finally Realized: The Untold Stories of California Nisei Forced Out of Higher Education
Lewis Kawahara	College of San Mateo Asian Pacific American Film Festival: An Afternoon Matinee with CCLPEP Films
Wayne Maeda	Manzanar Pilgrimage Program
Manzanar Committee	<i>We Said, "No-No"</i>
Claire Mix	Ruth Mix Documentary - <i>We Must Make Right a Terrible Wrong</i>
National Japanese American Historical Society, Inc.	Treasures Revealed: Preserving Camp Artifacts
Joanne Oppenheim	<i>Stanley Hayami, Nisei Son</i>
<i>Pacific Citizen</i>	Preserving Our Legacy: Digitizing the <i>Pacific Citizen</i> Archives
San Leandro Public Library	Legacy of the Nisei Veterans - San Leandro Public Library
Paul Takagi	Paul T. Takagi: Manzanar and After - A Memoir
Diane Takei	<i>Best Way Cleaners</i>
Barbara Takei & Judy Tachibana	<i>Tule Lake Revisited</i> , Revised Edition
Trustees of the California State University	The California State University: Gathering, Sharing & Celebrating Stories from Nisei Honorary Degree Recipients
Tule Lake Committee, Inc.	Preserving the Tule Lake Stockade Jail
Watsonville Public Library	Japanese American Digital Storytelling (California Central Coast)

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