

## Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society Presents Linda Harms Okazaki

You Are Invited

WHEN: Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

7:00 - 8:30 PM

WHERE: Via ZOOM (invitation link below)

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYscOyrrD4pGdl88N7xDMAS1gextKvMAsJ6#/registration

**COST:** No Charge - Visitors welcome



## The Picture Bride Era: The Gentlemen's Agreement of 1907 between U.S. and Japan

The Gentlemen's Agreement of 1907 was an agreement between the U.S. and Japan that restricted the immigration of Japanese laborers. Wives and children of laborers were permitted to immigrate. This led rise to what is informally called "The Picture Bride Era." Learn about the history leading up to this policy, how the agreement impacted immigrants, what records were created, and why the policy expired in 1924.

Linda Harms Okazaki is a fourth-generation Californian, active in the genealogy and Japanese American communities in California and beyond. She is passionate about teaching individuals of all ages to research, document, and share their personal family histories. Her research areas of interest include western states, upstate New York, England, Australia, and Japan, as well as the use of DNA in genealogy. Linda has been researching her husband's ancestry since 2012, documenting his family in the internment camps and in Japan. A charter member of the Nikkei Genealogical Society, she is also a featured columnist for the Nichi Bei Weekly; her column, Finding Your Nikkei Roots, is published bi-monthly. She is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, the Genealogical Speaker's Guild, and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

A past president of the California Genealogical Society, she has worked as a genealogy consultant for Densho and Ancestry's Progenealogists, and has presented at the Federation of Genealogical Societies, Jamboree, Legacy Family Tree Webinars, the National Genealogical Society, New York Genealogical & Biographical Society, and the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy. Ms. Okazaki holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Development and a Master of Arts degree in Education.