



SUQUAMISH MUSEUM

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Honor & Sacrifice: The Roy Matsumoto Story Special Screening at Suquamish Museum, Thursday, November 13, 2014, at 5 pm

SUQUAMISH, WA – September 29, 2014 The Special Screening of Honor & Sacrifice in the Lawrence Webster Education Auditorium at the Suquamish Museum will feature a presentation and conversation with the filmmakers, Lucy Ostrander and Don Sellers, and Karen Matsumoto, daughter of Roy Matsumoto. The Matsumoto family journey of honor, sacrifice, and service resonates with the Suquamish Community and local traditions celebrating service to one's Country, community, and family. Ms. Matsumoto joined the staff of the Chief Kitsap Academy in Suquamish, as a Science teacher, beginning with the 2012-2013 school year.

Honor & Sacrifice tells the complex story of a Japanese immigrant family torn apart by World War II. While the oldest son Hiroshi (Roy) became a hero when he fought with "Merrill's Marauders" in Burma – saving his starving battalion from Japanese forces – his parents and sisters were living in their ancestral home in Hiroshima. This fascinating documentary, which highlights the transnational dimensions of immigrant lives in US history, features interviews with Roy Matsumoto, fellow soldiers and important scholars. It also makes use of an unknown trove of stunning photographs and is narrated by Matsumoto's daughter Karen, who discovers her father's work in military intelligence after it was kept secret for fifty years.

"The museum partnered with Karen on an environmental science presentation earlier this year just after her father passed on," Museum Director Janet Smoak said. "Reading about his life story and achievements inspired us all and our Museum Board Director, Robin Sigo, suggested we explore showing the movie for the November documentary movie night."

The Suquamish Museum is open year round. Currently, Winter hours begin October 1 through April 30, Wednesday through Sunday, 10 am to 5 pm and by appointment on Monday and Tuesday.

For more information on the Suquamish Museum visit www.suquamishmuseum.org. For more information about the filmmakers visit www.stourwater.com.

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