# Japan Society



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Films on Japan's Atomic Bomb Experience

Thursday, June 3, 6:00 p.m. The Lost Generation, 1982, 20 minutes, Yuten Tachibana Prophecy, 1982, 45 minutes, Susumu Hani

Two films produced by the Hiroshima-Nagasaki Publishing Committee which combine recent footage depicting the present condition of victims of the atomic bomb with American archive footage purchased recently from the Library of Congress. The archive footage purchases were funded by "The Ten Feet Movement," sponsored by the Publishing Committee, in which citizens could donate \(\frac{1}{2}\)3000 for the purchase of ten feet of film. Directors Tachibana and Hani will be present for discussion.

Thursday, June 3, 8:00 p.m. <u>Hiroshima: Document of the Atom Bomb</u>, 1971, 30 min. Produced by Nichiei Shinsha

Prominent Japanese parliamentarian Yohei Kono, a member of the Lower House of the Japanese Diet, will speak and lead discussion following the screening. Mr. Kono is in New York with the Japanese delegation to the parliamentarian's meeting which precedes the Disarmament Conference at the United Nations.

Thursday, June 10, 7:30 & Survivors, 1982, 60 minutes, Steven Okazaki PREMIERE 9:00 p.m. Pikadon, 1978, 9 minutes, Renzo Kinoshita

Director Steven Okazaki has made a straightforward, unsentimental film about American survivors of the blasts at Hiroshima and Nagasaki. It is the first English language film to document the problems of these particular survivors, most of whom are American citizens who were caught in Japan when the war broke out or married Americans after the war. Survivors includes footage from Renzo Kinoshita's prize-winning animation, Pikadon, which will also be shown in its entirety. Director Steven Okazaki will be present for discussion.

Thursday, June 17, 6:00 p.m. Hiroshima-Nagasaki, August 1945, 1970, 16 minutes

Produced by Columbia University Press Center,

Directed by Erik Barnouw and Paul Ronder

Hiroshima: Then, Now, and Never, 1967, 36 minutes

Produced by Japan National Broadcasting Company (NHK)

Hiroshima: The People's Legacy, 45 minutes

Produced by NHK

Hiroshima Maidens, 1970, 60 minutes

Produced by NHK

Survivors of Hiroshima, 1975, 60 minutes

Produced by the BBC, Directed by Robert Voss

Hiroshima-Nagasaki is composed of footage shot by Japanese camera crews in the days immediately following the two blasts; the material was originally suppressed by the Occupation authorities and then reconstructed by Erik Barnouw and Paul Ronder. Then, Now, and Never shows a reporter reconstructing a map of the Hiroshima bomb's epicenter as it was before the blast and tracing through persistent investigation the ten people who survived of the 20,000 who were in that immediate vicinity at the time of the explosion. The People's Legacy recreates the horror and suffering of the atomic bombings through the words and drawings of survivors reliving their anguish; this film was the basis for a recent book made from the same drawings and memories, Unforgettable Fire. Hiroshima Maidens is about a group of young women who came to the U.S. for treatment of the disfiguring wounds they received in 1945. Survivors of Hiroshima was commissioned for the 30th anniversary of the bombing and was written by prominent psychiatrist Robert J. Lifton.

Admission to all programs is free, but limited to 278 persons.



A Program Commemorating Hiroshima - Nagasaki Day August 6, 1982

Special thanks to Cobi Narita and the Universal Jazz Coalition for the use of its facilities.



### **PROGRAM**

Welcome

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Film: "Hiroshima - Nagasaki, 1945" by Akira Iwasaki

Film: "Pikadon" by Renzo Kinoshita

Keynote: Sasha Hohri for East Coast Friends of Atomic Bomb Survivors

Guest Speaker: Sheridan Tatsuno Chair, U.S. Comm. of Atomic Bomb Survivors

Cultural Presentation: Dragon Thunder Arts Forum dance by Keelee Wright poetry by Evelyn Yee and GT Wong music and song by John Seetoo

Proclamation in Support of the Hibakusha musical accompaniment by Yoshi Tsuji We invite everyone to participate in this gesture of support for the ongoing struggle of the atomic bomb survivors.

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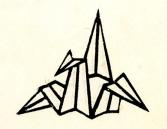
## EAST COAST FRIENDS OF ATOMIC BOMB SURVIVORS (FABS)

#### PRESENTS

A BENEFIT PROGRAM IN COMMEMORATION OF THE ATOMIC BLASTS OVER HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI







Friday Lugust 6

> No More Hiroshima-Nagasakis End the Arms Race Now

FILM: HIROSHIMA-NAGASAKI, 1945, BY AKIRA IWASAKI

PIKADON (ANIMATION) BY RENZO KINOSHITA

**SPEAKERS** 

CULTURAL PROGRAM

PROCLAMATION TO SUPPORT THE JAPANESE AMERICAN A-BOMB SURVIVORS

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# **Voices of the Victims**

Two new films from Japan illustrate how the past may become the future.

"PROPHECY" by Director Susumu Hani.

"THE LOST GENERATION" by Director Yuten Tachibana.

Reflecting Japan's special sense of the meaning of nuclear war, both documentaries were produced using interviews with the survivors and U.S. Government film footage shot in Hiroshima and Nagasaki following the atomic bombings in 1945.

Screenings will be held in New York City on:

THURSDAY, JUNE 3rd at 6 PM

The Japan Society, Inc. 333 East 47th Street

FRIDAY, JUNE 11th at 6 & 8 PM

The New York Society for Ethical Culture
4 West 64th Street

Each screening lasts about one hour.

Directors and some survivors will be available for a question and answer session.

Screenings sponsored by the Hiroshima-Nagasaki Publishing Committee

Committee of Japanese Citizens to Send Gift Copies of a Photographic & Pictorial Record of the Atomic Bombing to Our Children, and Fellow Human Beings of the World

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Admission is free.