

**The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Graduate Student/School Teacher Symposium on Japanese Studies**

**Friday, April 6, 2013**

**Beck Room, University Library  
Seton Hall University**

MC: Prof. Gray Andrasko, Asian Studies Program

**9:30-9:50 a.m. Registration & Refreshment**

**9:50 a.m. Welcome**

Prof. Shigeru Osuka, Director of Japanese Program

**10:00 a.m. Panel #1 Religion and Art in Japanese Culture**

Chair: Mr. Fengyu Cheng

Discussant: Prof. Shigeru Osuka

*The Akō Vendetta and Its Connection with Zen*

Mr. Michael Dutko

*Ōtsu-E: Origin and Design in Japanese Myths*

Mr. Kyle Hilton

**11:00 a.m. Panel #2 Current Issues on Life and Death in Japanese Society**

Chair: Ms. Tianfu Sun

Discussant: Prof. Gray Andrasko

*Sun Versus Snow: Comparing the Maternal Support Structures of Japan and Norway*

Ms. Samantha Graham

*Japanese Samurai and Desert Monks: Discipline of Death*

Mr. Stephen Torowicz

**12 Noon Luncheon**

**1:30-2:30 p.m. Keynote Speech**

*How to Prepare a Well-Built Resume*

Ms. Kristin Wingate, Bernards Township Public Schools

**2:30 p.m. Panel #3 Current Problems on Japanese Language Teaching Contents in the US**

Chair: Ms. Xu Xu

Discussant: Prof. Felicia Kazin-Penchina

*A Review of Research on Teaching Sound Symbolic Words in the Japanese L2 Classroom*

Ms. Abigail Nanquill

*Survey of Current Research Regarding Japanese Compound Verb Formation*

Mr. Thomas Hart

**3:30 p.m. Closing Remark**

Prof. Gray Andrasko, Asian Studies Program