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The fact that women who rise to positions of power are often viewed as exceptions, highlights the patriarchal narrative ingrained in our society. We must break this narrative.

So, let's celebrate, acknowledge and bring attention to the issues that disproportionately affect women around the world, including pay disparity, racial inequities, gender-based violence, equal employment, educational opportunities and period poverty. Let's END THIS!

February was another busy month for the GJCCA with the First Friday Forum, Setsubun, Emperor's birthday celebration with Consul General, a *Bulletin* Committee meeting, JC Survivor Social Club concert with Sharon Minemoto, Women's Memorial March, GJCCA Board meeting, Powell Street Festival planning meeting and Places That Matter event with Japanese Canadian Hastings Park Interpretive Centre Society. We are involved!

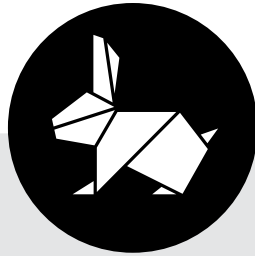
Upcoming 2023 GJCCA Community events:

- Keirokai 2023, Come join the GJCCA in honouring our seniors seventy years and older at the Nikkei National Museum & Cultural Centre in Burnaby on April 15. Ticket price is \$20 and spouses and/or

escorts under seventy are always welcome to join. To register, please email keirokai.gvjcca@gmail.com or call me (Cary) at 604.874.5659. We will need your contact information, your birth date and payment (preferably etransfer).

- As mentioned in previous Bulletins, the First Friday Forum is still going strong at TG with Wayne and Bob. March 10 & April 14, 7pm - 9pm.
- The Japanese Canadian Survivors' Social Club (our partnership with Tonari Gumi and Steveston Community Society) next events are March 14 - Lunch at Pink Pearl at 11:30am and "Seniors Housing Options" at NNMCC on March 24 at 10am. To register, please call Yuko at 604-687-2172 ext.105 or email socialclub@tonarigumi.ca
- Japanese Canadian Heritage Cooking classes are planning to host a class in March. Please check eventbrite, GJCCA instagram, JC facebook or reach out to MICHAEL: torabc@gmail.com
- Please join the GJCCA at Nitobe Memorial Garden on April 1, at 1pm for the very special unveiling of a plaque commemorating and thanking the Vancouver Japanese Gardeners Association for their contributions.

Let's work together to shine a light on the oppression, inequalities, and injustices facing women internationally and how we can work to abolish them, and ultimately make a better future for our daughters and granddaughters! 💎



# JCCA Keirokai 2023

Honouring seniors 70 & over (spouse may be under)

**Saturday, April 15**  
1pm - 4pm

**Nikkei Centre**

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lunch | entertainment | prizes

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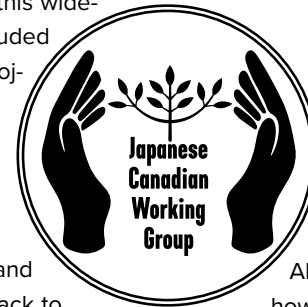
## Community Healing and Community Education

Dear community members. The five-year Healing Fund project has finished the first 18 months and has been able to use the \$610,000 provided by the Anglican Church of Canada at a rate equal to that timeline. At this rate we will be able to complete the healing goals as requested by the Japanese Canadian community from our outreach efforts conducted from 2015 to the present.

The Healing Fund for Japanese Canadians operates three areas for healing support.

- We can cover the cost of counselling up to \$200 per session for survivors of Mr. Nakayama's sexual abuse and to their families.
- We provide post-secondary education grants to family members of survivors, retroactive to June 15, 2015.
- We can fund community healing or education programming, including any project that relates to the sexual abuse history of Mr. Nakayama or to the effects of this widespread abuse. Funded programs have included healing circles, book clubs, and writing projects.

We are responding to all community requests as they come in. The goal of the Healing Fund is to reach as many affected families of Mr. Nakayama's six decades of abuse as possible and let them choose whether to engage with the Healing Fund. To help share information about the Healing Fund, community organizations across the country have been accepting information pamphlets for local distribution. We know that many families who we would like to contact do not read Japanese Canadian publications. But they might visit a cultural centre or internment camp site. Thank you to the first 31 organizations who have accepted the pamphlets!



## Have Your Voice Heard

As a reminder, affected individuals, families, and communities have the option to provide feedback to the Healing Fund. We will be accepting responses until September, 2023, and compiling responses at that time. These responses will form the basis for evaluating the community need for the Healing Fund's programming between 2023 and 2026. You can find this feedback form on the homepage of our website, or by following this QR code.

Alternatively, you may mail in your thoughts about how you, your family, and the community can be helped to move forward from the legacy of Mr. Nakayama's sexual abuse by writing to:

Attn: Peter Wallace  
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