

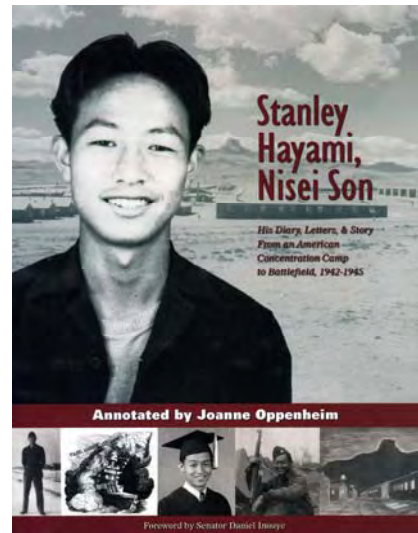
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“Stanley Hayami, Nisei Son” Book Reading and Q & A by Author Joanne Oppenheim

SAN FRANCISCO (March 10, 2009) - The Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California (JCCCNC) and the San Francisco Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) will present a book reading of “Stanley Hayami, Nisei Son” by author Joanne Oppenheim on April 29, 2009 from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. at the JCCCNC, 1840 Sutter Street, San Francisco.

Stanley Hayami was sixteen years old when he was sent to Heart Mountain, an internment camp for Japanese Americans during World War II. He kept a diary of his life in the camps, augmented with sketches and drawings. In 1944, like many young Nisei men, he was drafted into the 442nd Infantry Regimental Combat Team. He never lost faith in America and remained defiantly patriotic to his death at the age of nineteen. This book is based on his diary, which is now in the permanent collection of the Japanese American National Museum in Los Angeles, California.



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Joanne Oppenheim has written over fifty books and is the co-founder and president of Oppenheim Toy Portfolio, Inc., a family company that publishes books on the most successful toys for children. She authored the award-winning book, “Dear Miss Breed,” the story of Clara Breed, a young librarian in San Diego, who corresponded with children while they were interned during World War II. Oppenheim is a leading expert on child-development and education and is a regular contributor on NBC’s Today

Seats are limited, so please rsvp to reserve your seat, please contact the JCCCNC at (415) 567-5505 or programsevents@jcccnc.org.

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