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Learn the Art of Making Mochi

JCCCNC Mochitsuki Workshop December 29, 2012

San Francisco (November 27, 2012) – The Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California (JCCCNC) has announced that registration has opened for their annual Mochitsuki Workshop on Friday, December 29, 2012 with several shift between 11:00am to 6:30pm. It's a wonderful way for all ages to take part in this Japanese New Year's tradition, learning and sharing with friends and family during this joyous time.

The workshop will be directed by Mr. George Yamada who previously owned Yamada-Seika, a manju-ya in San Francisco Japantown, which he operated for 36 years. He will share his experience and knowledge with those who are interested in the art of mochi making. He will demonstrate the unique method of making mochi using a usu (mortar). After the rice pounding, participants will learn to hand shape the mochi into small cakes, and then take two (2) pounds of Mochi home with them to bring good luck to the new year.

Workshops will occur throughout the day. Space is limited. Shifts are available between 11:00am to 6:30pm in the following 30 minute time slots: Shift 1 (11:00-11:30); Shift 2 (11:45-12:15); Shift 3 (12:30-1:00); Shift 4 (1:30-2:00); Shift 5 (2:15-2:45); Shift 6 (3:00-3:30); Shift 7 (3:45-4:15); Shift 8 (4:30-5:00); Shift 9 (5:15-5:45); Shift 10 (6:00-6:30).

Cost: \$12.00 per person/JCCCNC Members
\$17.00 per person/Non-Members
(Children under 5 are FREE. Children under 10 years of age must be accompanied by an adult).

To register, contact the JCCCNC at (415) 567-5505 or email programsevents@jcccnc.org. The JCCCNC is located at 1840 Sutter Street, San Francisco, CA 94115.

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