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UEN TV HIGHLIGHTS

**UEN-TV Celebrates :
 Asian - Pacific American Heritage Month**



PACIFIC HEARTBEAT

PACIFIC HEARTBEAT #302 - THE ILLNESS AND THE ODYSSEY

Saturday, May 3 at 9 p.m.

A cure for Alzheimer's, a Nobel Prize and an honored place in medical history all hang in the balance as scientists race to find the cure for a rare disease found on one remote Pacific island. The Illness & the Odyssey tells the story of a deadly, mind-wasting disease that could, potentially, hold the key to solving the riddle of so many other neurological nightmares. The film features the renowned neurologist Dr. Oliver Sacks as well as many other luminaries in the field of neuroscience. Based on the book "The Island of the Colorblind" by Dr. Sacks, the film traces the struggle to solve a medical mystery plaguing a native population living on Guam.

CALLING TOKYO

Wednesday, May 14 at 8 p.m.

This documentary tells the unheralded story about a group of Japanese Americans, who as civilians served America during World War II, even as their families and friends were incarcerated in concentration camps. While the unequalled battle records of Japanese American soldiers are now legendary, little is known about the vital role played by these US citizens who did language translation work and short wave radio broadcasting to Japan, assisting in the war efforts of Britain and the USA. Through actual recordings and first-person interviews with the participants of those broadcasts, CALLING TOKYO is a fascinating story about a unique effort to help hasten the end of the war.



JAPANESE AMERICAN LIVES

Wednesdays beginning May 14 at 9 p.m.

"Japanese American Lives" is a series that showcases the richness of the Japanese American experience. From a 99-year-old judo master, to questioned loyalties during World War II, founders of the Asian American jazz movement, and finally, Japanese Americans helping to rebuild Japan after the devastating tsunami. "Japanese American Lives" is an important look at the varied diversity of America.

for programs about **innovative work, lifestyles and communities.**



MODEL MINORITY: DO THE MATH

Wednesday, May 21 at 8 p.m.

The film reveals the impact of the model minority myth on the experiences and perspectives of Asian American college students. The myth is a complex and contradictory stereotype of Asian Americans as academic over-achievers. As a result, many struggle with personal goals and mental health, leading to racial resentment, discrimination, and suicide.



UNCOMMON COURAGE: PATRIOTISM AND CIVIL LIBERTIES

Saturday, May 24 at 8 p.m.

This program explores the personal histories of second generation Japanese Americans who served in the U.S. Army Military Intelligence Service during World War II as Japanese language specialists in the Pacific, and after the war during the Occupation of Japan. It examines the uncommon courage of these soldiers whose faith in the future of America fueled the desire to prove themselves defending their country while many of their families and friends were imprisoned in isolated incarceration camps and stripped of their civil liberties.

PAPA BOSS

Saturday, May 31 at 9 p.m.

When he became the Mayor of Puerto Princesa in 1992, a city of 250,000 inhabitants, surrounded by islands and jungles, the largest territory a city mayor has control of in the Philippines, Ed Hagedorn vowed to change his life as well as the city, in gratitude to his voters. Will his vision be continued or will the town go back to being a forgotten, third world city with corruption and an uncertain future? Adorably called by his grandson 'Papa Boss', this is how he is perceived: to his family - a loved father figure, to the rest - he is the boss.

