

# BC ALPHA WORK REPORT (JULY 2017 – JULY 2018)

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# October 20, 2017 Workshop Presentation at BCSSTA Conference introducing the newly revised “comfort Women” Prezi



November 7, 2017

Classroom Presentation

on

*Ethical Dimensions of Imperial Japan's  
Biochemical Warfare and Human Experimentation*

at

Sir Charles Best Secondary

by

Ishbel Newstead

# November 11, 2017 Participation at White Poppy Remembrance Day

(For details, go to <https://youtu.be/0x5iLBMwIgw> - 7:51 min)



November 16, 2017

Classroom Presentation

on

*Rescuers and Global Citizenship in the  
Nanking Massacre*

at

Aldergrove Secondary

by

Ishbel Newstead

November 20, 2017

Classroom Presentation

on

*"Comfort Women" of the Asia Pacific War:  
Violence Against Women in War & Peace*

&

*Canadian Hong Kong Veterans and Allied POWs:  
Wounds and Closure*

at

Langley Secondary

by

Ishbel Newstead

# November 11, 2017

## Introducing Commemorative Program for the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Nanjing Massacre



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# November 20, 2017

## News Report on Ming Pao regarding the Commemoration of the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Nanjing Massacre

2017年11月20日 星期一  
www.mingpaocanada.com/van

社區新聞 / 明報 A7

# 列市圖書館下月首映紀錄片 紀念南京大屠殺80周年

【明報專訊】列治文公共圖書館將於下月14日晚舉行紀念南京大屠殺80周年紀念活動，包括由日本教師松岡環製作的紀錄片《在太平門消失的1300人》首映，以及其編撰寫的圖書《撕裂的南京記憶》英文節選本讀書會等。

### 日教師花30年 尋訪侵華日軍及倖存者錄製

紀念活動講者之一、卑詩亞洲二戰浩劫史實維護會（簡稱「史維會」）會長列國遠表示，1937年南京大屠殺期間，30萬平民和放下武器的士兵在兩個月內遭日軍殺害，兩萬名婦女遭強暴，但日本至今仍未就此舉作出正式承認及道歉。然而，日本的一名小學教師松岡環，經過三十年持續不懈的努力，尋找到300名日本老兵及南京大屠殺倖存者，並記錄下他們的證言，拍攝出紀錄片《撕裂的南京記憶》以及出版同名日文書籍。她因揭發日本在二戰中的暴行多次收到死亡威脅，但也因其勇敢被人尊稱為「日本良心」。

列國遠說，為了將松岡環蒐集的珍貴史料讓世人了解，他們將其日文書籍抽取部分編寫成英文版本，屆時將在讀書會活動上與大家分享。另外，松岡環製作的另一紀錄片《在太平門消失的

1300人》也將在此次活動上首映。

列國遠指出，由於倖存者稀少，南京太平門屠殺事件一直鮮為人知。在尋訪日本老兵多年之後，松岡環收錄到不少證言，並花了五年時間去尋找倖存者的蛛絲馬迹，還找到了一位被稱為「小王」的倖存者，最終製作出這部全長75分鐘、講述太平門屠殺事件的紀錄片，通過在這一地點所發生的事件，令人了解整個南京大屠殺的血腥和殘忍。

列治文公共圖書館華人社區服務部主任鄭素雲表示，加軍在二戰中喪生的士兵達1.9萬人，而南京大屠殺令無辜平民死亡的人數卻高達30萬，這一數字令人震驚。從小在加拿大接受教育她表示，直至大學期間，她才有機會了解到南京大屠殺的歷史，那些血腥暴力的圖片令她很长一段时间都感到不安。

鄭素雲說，由於對這段歷史教育的缺失，很多



鄭素雲（左）和列國遠（右）展示《撕裂的南京記憶》書籍與紀念活動海報。  
（王學文攝）

本地人對此並不熟悉，甚至一些主流媒體在報道中都會出現一些本不應出現的錯誤。她認為圖書館有責任向公眾提供正確的資料，令人通過這部珍貴的紀錄片，了解南京大屠殺中的一個事件。

紀念活動將於12月14日下午6時45分至晚上9

時在列治文公共圖書館（Brighthouse 總館）舉行，全程以英語主講。鄭素雲希望本地各族裔市民都能前來參加紀念活動，了解南京大屠殺的歷史。參與需提前登錄圖書館官網登記：[www.yourlibrary.ca/events](http://www.yourlibrary.ca/events)。

November 23, 2017

Classroom Presentation

on

*"Comfort Women" of the Asia Pacific War:  
Violence Against Women in War & Peace*

at

Aldergrove Secondary

by

Ishbel Newstead

# November 30, 2017

## Statements on Nanjing Massacre Commemoration made in the House and BC Legislature as proposed by BC ALPHA



# November 30, 2017

## MP Jenny Kwan's Statement in the House of Commons



# November 30, 2017

## BC Parliamentary Secretary for Sport and Multiculturalism Ravi Kahlon 's Statement in the BC Legislature



December 2, 2017

Thekla Lit of BC ALPHA appears on  
Current Affairs program

大眾論壇 of AM1470

to talk about issues around  
the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Nanjing Massacre

December 3, 2017

Thekla Lit of BC ALPHA appears on

Current Affairs program

楓葉之旅 of AM1320

to talk about issues around

the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Nanjing Massacre

December 5, 2017

Thekla Lit of BC ALPHA appears on  
Current Affairs program  
時事最前綫 of FM96.1  
to talk about issues around  
the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Nanjing Massacre

December 6, 2017

Media Conference for Tamaki Matsuoka's  
visit to Vancouver for the  
Commemoration of the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
Nanjing Massacre



December 7, 2017  
News report Tamaki Matsuoka's Visit to  
Vancouver for the  
Commemoration of the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
Nanjing Massacre

- ❖ OMNI TV: [日本教師致力向日本人揭露南京大屠殺真相 \(BC\) - 2017/12/07 \(1:47 min\)](#)
- ❖ 星島日報: [紀念南京大屠殺80周年 列圖書館播松岡環紀錄片 - 2017-12-07](#)
- ❖ 明報: [列市圖書館下周放映 南京大屠殺紀錄片, 日本女教師抵溫: 製片為揭歷史真相 - 2017/12/07](#)

December 7, 2017

Thekla Lit of BC ALPHA appears on  
Current Affairs program

加台政評 of AM1320

to talk about issues around  
the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Nanjing Massacre

# December 7 & 8, 2017 10<sup>th</sup> International Human Rights Day Student Symposium at Guildford Park Secondary

(For details of the program, go to <http://www.alpha-canada.org/education/student-symposium/the-ihrdss-program> )



December 7 & 8, 2017  
10<sup>th</sup> International Human Rights Day Student  
Symposium at  
Guildford Park Secondary  
*Student Helpers*



December 7 & 8, 2017  
10<sup>th</sup> International Human Rights Day Student  
Symposium at  
Guildford Park Secondary  
*Presenters, Teachers & Organizers*



December 7 & 8, 2017  
10<sup>th</sup> International Human Rights Day Student  
Symposium at  
Guildford Park Secondary  
*Bell Tolling Ceremony*



# Media Reports on the 10<sup>th</sup> International Human Rights Day Student Symposium

- ❖ 明報: [史維會中學辦亞洲二戰浩劫研討南京大屠殺80周年](#) - 2017/12/10
- ❖ 星島日報: [700卑詩師生研討 悼南京大屠殺80周年](#) - 2017/12/10

December 9, 2017

Introducing the Commemoration Program  
of the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the  
Nanjing Massacre

on

匯聲論壇 of AM1320

&

楓華博覽 of Talentvision TV

December 10, 2017

Introducing the Commemoration Program  
of the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the  
Nanjing Massacre

on

熒幕八爪娛 of Fairchild TV

# December 11, 2017

Introducing the Commemoration Program of the 80<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary of the Nanjing Massacre on  
大城小聚 of Fairchild TV



&

週一祥談 of LS Times TV

[南京大屠殺80週年 - Part 1 \(13:24 min\)](#)

[南京大屠殺80週年 - Part 2 \(13:24 min\)](#)

December 12, 2017  
BC ALPHA Participated & Speaks at  
the Nanjing Ji in Greater Vancouver



December 12 - 15, 2017

## Media Reports on the Nanjing Massacre Commemorative Events

- ❖ [明報 南京大屠殺紀錄片 預訂爆滿加映一場史維會與列市圖書館合辦 - 2017/12/11](#)
- ❖ [加拿大TCNnews 【頭條新聞】 卑詩舉辦「南京大屠殺80周年紀念會」爆滿，宣佈加開一場！ - 2017/12/12](#)
- ▣ [星島日報： 史維會籲聯邦立法 設南京大屠殺紀念日 - 2017/12/14](#)
- ▣ [星島日報： 圖書館播南京大屠殺影片 嘉賓敲鐘悼30萬遇害軍民 - 2017/12/15](#)

# December 14, 2017

## Georgia Straight: Nanjing Massacre will be recalled through video and book reading at Richmond Public Library

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### News

**STRAIGHT TALK »**

## Nanjing Massacre will be recalled through video and book reading at Richmond Public Library

by [Charlie Smith](#) on December 14th, 2017 at 3:03 PM

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For those concerned about human rights violations in Asia, Iris Chang remains a hero 20 years after publication of her landmark book.

In *The Rape of Nanking: The Forgotten Holocaust of World War II*, the American author documented how 260,000 to 350,000 people were killed by the Japanese imperial army in 1937 in the Chinese city now known as Nanjing.

It was a horrific story that caused an international uproar.

*Torn Memories of Nanjing* author

# Commemoration of the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Nanking Massacre



Taiping Gate in 1937

12月15日（星期五）  
加設一場以廣東話進行

Thursday  
Dec 14, 2017  
6:45-9:00 pm  
Performance Hall  
Richmond Public Library  
100-7700 Minoru Gate,  
Richmond

Documentary Screening (75 min)  
***1300 Lives Lost by Taiping (Peace) Gate***  
Book Reading  
***Torn Memories of Nanking***



Join us to appreciate the works of  
**Tamaki Matsuoka**  
- “The Conscience of Japan”

# December 14 & 15, 2017

## Commemoration of the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Nanjing Massacre at Richmond Public Library

(For details of the event, go to <http://www.alpha-canada.org/commemoration-of-the-80th-anniversary-of-the-nanking-massacre>)



December 14 & 15, 2017  
Commemoration of the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
Nanjing Massacre at Richmond Public Library  
*Bell Tolling Ceremony*



# December 14 & 15, 2017

## Commemoration of the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Nanjing Massacre at Richmond Public Library

### *Volunteers*



# December 14 & 15, 2017

## Commemoration of the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Nanjing Massacre at Richmond Public Library Q&A



# March 12, 2018

## OMNI TV Introducing Documentary *Unit 731 – How America Exploited Japan's Biological Weapons Crimes*



YouTube <sup>CA</sup>

Search

Join us for a screening of the documentary film **731** and panel discussion.

How America Exploited Japan's Biological Weapons Crimes  
WHY HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF



**MARCH 15TH | 7:30PM**

0:00 / 7:35



# March 15, 2018

## Screening of *Unit 731*

(For details of the event, go to <http://www.alpha-canada.org/events#event2018> )



March 15, 2018  
Screening of *Unit 731*  
Director: Paul Johnson, Joy Kogawa &  
Satoko Norimatsu



March 15, 2018

Screening of *Unit 731*

*Director: Paul Johnson, Thekla Lit & teachers*



March 15, 2018  
Screening of *Unit 731*  
Q&A



# Media Report on Screening of *Unit 731*

16 March, 2018

**星島日報**  
SING TAO DAILY

## 日以中國人作生化實驗 《731》揭美不起訴 換數據

2018年03月16日 02:33 am



■約翰遜(左)與列國遠, 在周四首映禮上合照。

April 19, 2018

MP Jenny Kwan made a statement  
in the House asking the establishment of  
Nanjing Massacre Commemorative Day



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# Petition to Establish Nanjing Massacre Commemorative Day

(For details go to: <http://www.alpha-canada.org/events> )

網上簽名: [www.jennykwandp.ca](http://www.jennykwandp.ca)

查詢: 關慧貞國會議員辦公室  
604-775-5800

油畫《南京大屠殺 - 屠·生·佛》  
作者: 旅美畫家李自健

訂定

【南京大屠殺紀念日】

請願行動



May 4, 2018

# Media Conference on Petition for Nanjing Massacre Commemorative Day supported by over 100 Organizations

## 關慧貞推全加社區簽名 促訂南京大屠殺紀念日

2018年05月05日 02:28 am



■關慧貞(前排左4)與出席社團代表手持請簽名請願書合照。

# May 5, 2018

## News Report on the Media Conference

- ▣ [關慧貞推全加社區簽名-促訂南京大屠殺紀念日](#)  
- 星島日報
- ▣ [促訂「南京大屠殺紀念日」關慧貞發起10萬人連署 華社響應](#) - 明報
- ▣ [關慧貞推全加社區簽名-促訂南京大屠殺紀念日](#)  
- 新時代電視(視頻) (2:05 min)
- ▣ [關慧貞推全加社區簽名-促訂南京大屠殺紀念日](#)  
- OMNI TV(視頻) (1:35 min)

# May 17, 2017

## Launching Signature Campaign for Nanjing Massacre Commorative Day



May 16-18, 2018

## Media Reports on the Signature Campaign for Nanjing Massacre Commemorative Day

- ❖ [【南京大屠杀纪念日】请愿签名行动周四正式展开](#) - 城市知道網  
[促訂「南京大屠殺紀念日」-簽名運動周四展開](#) - 星島日報
- ❖
- ❖ [國會議員籲訂立南京大屠殺日 簽名運動正式展開](#) - 新時代電視新聞 (視頻) (1:41 min)
- ❖ [加拿大訂立“南京大屠杀纪念日” 本拿比半小时征集签名200人](#)  
- 城市知道網  
[大溫南京大屠杀纪念日请愿行动，图片背后的故事](#) - 城市知道網
- ❖ [關慧貞大溫徵公眾簽名 促訂「南京大屠殺紀念日」](#) - 明報
- ❖ [列國遠盼年輕人 關注大屠殺歷史](#) - 明報

May 24, 2018

Classroom Presentation

on

*"Comfort Women" of the Asia Pacific War:  
Violence Against Women in War & Peace*

at

Frank Hurt Secondary

by

Ishbel Newstead

May 29, 2018

Human Library Program

on

*“The Forgotten Asian Holocaust of WWII:  
Human Rights, Social Justice and Global Citizenship “*

at

Moscrop Secondary

by

Pat Parungao

May 29, 2018  
Dinner Reception for Canada Co-Chair  
Dr. Joseph Wong



May 30-31, 2018

Visit of Dr. Joseph Wong to Vancouver for  
Fundraising of the Asia-Pacific Peace Museum  
*Meeting with Mr. Johnny Fong*



May 30-31, 2018

Visit of Dr. Joseph Wong to Vancouver for  
Fundraising of the Asia-Pacific Peace Museum  
*Meeting with Mr. David Choi*



June 30, 2018

MP Jenny Kwan & Thekla Lit of BC ALPHA

appears on

Current Affairs program

大眾論壇 of AM1470

to talk about issues around

the Petition to Government of Canada

to Establish

Nanjing Massacre Commemorative Day

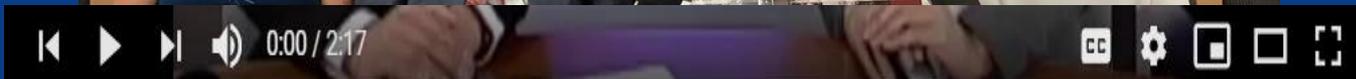
July 6, 2018

# Multi-cultural Community Express Support for Nanjing Massacre Commemoration Day

(For details, go to <https://nanjingmemory2018.wordpress.com/2018/07/07/mp-jenny-kwans-media-release-july-6/>)

For speeches of the speakers, go to

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B4IYso5U3wA&list=PLtwnh8f5tyJ1tBH-IOUdu7myAHhQJSszM>)



**Augusta Lokhorst**  
Secretary of Imperial Japanese concentration camp victims

**Dr. Bong-Hwan Kim**  
Korean Senior Citizens of Greater Van

**Jenny Kwan**

**Satoko Norimatsu**  
Japanese Canadian Supporting Nanjing Museum

July 6 & 7, 2017

# Media reports on Different Ethnic Communities' Support for Nanjing Massacre Commemoration Day

- ❖ [促訂南京屠殺紀念日 再獲日韓裔團體力挺](#)  
-星島日報
- ❖ [倡訂南京大屠殺紀念日 日裔團體公開支持料引關注 - 明報](#)
- ❖ [紀念南京大屠殺有助促進和解 多元族群齊聲支持訂定紀念日](#)  
-加拿大商報
- ❖ [加西-新民主黨國會議員關慧貞，倡議聯邦政府將每年12月13日訂為南京大屠殺紀念日 - 新時代電視新聞](#)  
(視頻) (2:17 min)
- ❖ [國會議員發簽名運動 促聯邦政府設“南京大屠殺”全國紀念日 \(BC\) - 2018JUL06 - OMNI TV Mandarin\(視頻\) \(1:09 min\)](#)

July 13 & 14, 2018

Response to Opposition against  
Nanjing Massacre Commemorative Day  
from a group of Japanese Canadians



July 13 & 14, 2018

Media Reports on Response to  
Opposition against

Nanjing Massacre Commemorative Day  
from a group of Japanese Canadians

- ❖ [本地日裔組織 反對關慧貞簽名運動 \(BC\) - JUL 13, 2018 - OMNI TV Cantonese \(視頻\) \(2:14 min\)](#)
- ❖ [聯邦“南京大屠殺”紀念日倡議遭本地日裔組織反對 活動發起人回應\(BC\)- 2018JUL13 - OMNI TV Mandarin\(視頻\) \(2:19 min\)](#)
- ❖ [國會議員關惠貞倡南京大屠殺紀念日引起日方關注不滿 - 新時代電視新聞 \(視頻\) \(1:30 min\)](#)
- ❖ [倡南京大屠殺紀念日 關惠貞惹日總領事不滿 - 星島日報](#)
- ❖ [日裔成立「民族團結聯盟」阻訂立南京大屠殺紀念日](#)  
- 明報

# Website & Social Media:

Our website [www.alpha-canada.org](http://www.alpha-canada.org) has been constructively used to promote our events and issued statements and constantly updated with most [current news](#) related to the Asian Holocaust (Thanks to Sylvester and Tim).

Our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Canada.alpha> is also actively used to post related news and events.

Videos: For uploaded videos,  
visit our Youtube Channel

[https://www.youtube.com/user/  
CanadaALPHA/featured](https://www.youtube.com/user/CanadaALPHA/featured)

(Thanks to Martha for production  
of most of the videos)