



**NHK WORLD-JAPAN Announces Online Screening and Q&A for  
*Houses for Peace: Exploring the Legacy of Floyd Schmoe*  
to Mark the 75th Anniversary of the End of World War II**

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**TOKYO – NHK WORLD-JAPAN, the English-language international service of Japan’s public media organization, NHK, is pleased to announce a special online screening and Q&A for the documentary *Houses for Peace: Exploring the Legacy of Floyd Schmoe*, in commemoration of the 75th anniversary of the end of World War Two. This event is presented by the Japanese American National Museum (JANM) in Los Angeles, in cooperation with the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum and the Battleship Missouri Memorial in Honolulu.**

*Houses for Peace* (2018) tells the story of Floyd Schmoe, an American who traveled to the atomic-bombed city of Hiroshima more than 70 years ago on a mission of peace. Leading a diverse group of volunteers from the US and Japan, he built houses for survivors of the atomic bomb and their families. It was a finalist for the 2019 Asian Academy Creative Awards (Documentary Category).

The documentary will be available for one year on NHK WORLD-JAPAN’s video on demand service (<https://www3.nhk.or.jp/nhkworld/en/ondemand/video/3016023/>) from July 20, 2020, JST.

A Q&A session scheduled to be streamed live on August 6, 2020, from 11:00 am JST (August 5, 2020, from 4:00 pm HST / 7:00 pm PDT), will feature 75-year-old atomic bomb survivor Koko Kondo, who spent time with Schmoe as a young girl, and the documentary’s director, Kumiko Ogoshi Takai. Together with panelists from Honolulu and Los Angeles, they’ll discuss what viewers today can learn from the story of Schmoe, a lifelong grassroots peacebuilder.

The Q&A is free of charge and open to the public; however, advance registration is required. Please RSVP at [janm.org/events](http://janm.org/events). You will be emailed links and instructions to join the event via Zoom. \*You will leave the NHK WORLD-JAPAN website.

For more information, please contact the Japanese American National Museum at [publicprograms@janm.org](mailto:publicprograms@janm.org).

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### **Japanese American National Museum (JANM)**

The mission of the Japanese American National Museum is to promote understanding and appreciation of America's ethnic and cultural diversity by sharing the Japanese American experience. JANM is the first museum in the United States dedicated to sharing the experience of Americans of Japanese ancestry as an integral part of U.S. history.

Through its comprehensive collection of Japanese American objects, images and documents, as well as multi-faceted exhibitions, educational programs, documentaries and publications, JANM shares the Japanese American story with a national and international audience.

To commemorate the upcoming 75th anniversary of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the Japanese American National Museum presents **Under a Mushroom Cloud: Hiroshima, Nagasaki, and the Atomic Bomb**, organized in partnership with the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.



### **NHK WORLD-JAPAN**

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Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum

### Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum

At 8:15 a.m., August 6, 1945, the world's first atomic bomb used against human beings exploded over Hiroshima. Instantly, an entire city crumbled and burned. Hundreds of thousands of its people perished. Those who managed to survive suffered grievous mental and physical trauma, from which many suffer to this day.

The Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum opened in August 1955, mandated to convey the facts of the atomic bombing, thus contributing to the abolition of nuclear weapons and the realization of genuine and lasting world peace.

The Museum collects and displays belongings left by the victims, photos, and other materials that convey the horror of that event, supplemented by exhibits that describe Hiroshima before and after the bombing and others that present the current status of the nuclear age. Each of the items displayed embodies the grief, anger, or pain of real people. Having now recovered from that A-bomb calamity, Hiroshima's deepest wish is the elimination of all nuclear weapons and the realization of a genuinely peaceful international community.



### Battleship Missouri Memorial

Since opening in January 1999, the Battleship Missouri Memorial has attracted more than 9-million visitors from around the world with a fascinating tour experience showcasing the USS *Missouri's* unique place in history. Located a mere ship's length from the USS Arizona Memorial, the Mighty Mo completes a historical visitor experience that begins with the "day of infamy" and sinking of the USS *Arizona* in Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941 and ends with Japan's formal surrender aboard the USS *Missouri* in Tokyo Bay on September 2, 1945.

The USS *Missouri* had an astounding career over five decades and three wars – World War II, the Korean War, and Desert Storm – after which it was decommissioned and donated to the USS Missouri Memorial Association, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. The Association operates the Battleship Missouri Memorial as a historic attraction and oversees her care and preservation with the support of visitors, memberships, grants, and donations.

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# “That There May Be Peace”

Commemorating **75 Years Since the End of World War II**



## Online Screening

on NHK WORLD-JAPAN Video On Demand

### *Houses for Peace*

*Exploring the Legacy of Floyd Schmoe*

## Live Q&A on

**Aug 5** PDT, HST [Aug 6 JST]

with panelists from Hiroshima,  
Honolulu, Los Angeles, Tokyo



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## Houses for Peace: Exploring the Legacy of Floyd Schmoie

More than 70 years ago, an American named Floyd Schmoie arrived in the atomic-bombed city of Hiroshima on a mission of peace. Together with a diverse group of volunteers from the US and Japan, he built houses for atomic bomb survivors and their families. The program traces the legacy of a grassroots peacebuilder.

Produced 2018

Finalist for the 2019 Asian Academy Creative Awards (Documentary category)



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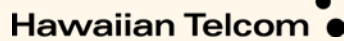
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