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## BY JEANNE SAKATA

Concert Readings of a Solo Play Inspired by the Life of Gordon Hirabayashi



ACTOR RYUN YU

At the CALIFORNIA MUSEUM 1020 O St., Sacramento, CA 95814

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2019

MATINEE @ 2:00 – 3:30 PM FREE TO THE PUBLIC (Q&A and Community Tabling to follow)

EVENING @ 7:00 – 8:30 PM Admission: \$25 (Panel Discussion, along with Ryun Yu

For tickets, please visit:

@ 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM)

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During WWII in Seattle, University of Washington student Gordon Hirabayashi fights the US government's orders to forcibly remove and mass incarcerate all people of Japanese ancestry on the West Coast. As he struggles to reconcile his country's betrayal with his passionate belief in the US Constitution, Gordon begins a 50-year journey toward a greater understanding of America's triumphs — and a confrontation with its failures.

LOS ANGELES TIMES: At a moment in our history when American justice and perhaps even our sense of national purpose have eroded from the government's response to an outside threat ... this thoughtful new one-actor play by Jeanne Sakata tells the true story of a Japanese American college student in Seattle who refused to become the Other, the Enemy Alien, in his own eyes or anyone else's ....

Ryun Yu plays Hirabayashi at various ages – as well as every other person Hirabayashi remembers – a fine-grained tour de force.

HUFFINGTON POST: A simple yet stunning one-man show inspired by the life and heroism of Gordon Hirabayashi .... Hirabayashi's heroic stand against the United States government and the prevailing sentiment of fear and prejudice is brilliantly portrayed by Ryun Yu ... a performance that at times moves the audience to tears while including several truly laughable moments.

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