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Date: Tuesday June 3rd, 2025

Time: 13:30–17:00 \*Japan Standard Time

Venue: Tachikawa Memorial Hall, Rikkyo University (Ikebukuro Campus)

Directions:

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Commentators:

Moustafa Bayoumi (ASA, Brooklyn College) [online]

Krystyn Moon (ASA, University of Mary Washington) [online]

Jolie Sheffer (ASA, Bowling Green State University)

Cara Caddoo (OAH, Indiana University Bloomington)

Rebecca Davis (OAH, University of Delaware)

Timetable

**Part I: 13:30–15:30**

(1) Takuya TOKUHARA (Yokohama Senior High School of International Studies) 13:30–14:10  
““Shared Historical Authority” as a Negotiated Historical Practice: Examining the Negotiation and Allocation of “Authority,” “Authorship,” and “Expertise” in the History-Making Process of Manga”

Comment: Krystyn Moon

(2) Soichiro TEZUKA (graduate student, Keio University) 14:10–14:50

“From Partner to Challenge: How Far does American Influence Extend within NATO?”

Comment: Moustafa Bayoumi

(3) Daiki KABA (graduate student, Hitotsubashi University) 14:50–15:30

“Swinging the Black and White: The Italo-Ethiopian War and Race-Making among Italian Americans and African Americans in 1930s Harlem”

Comment: Cara Caddoo

(break)

**Part II: 15:40–17:00**

(4) Issay MATSUMOTO (Ph.D. candidate, University of Southern California) 15:40–16:20

“Native Hawaiian and Samoan Migrant Women Lei Vendors in Transpacific Honolulu”

Comment: Rebecca Davis

(5) Runan ZHANG (graduate student, Waseda University) 16:20–17:00

“The Path to Personhood: The Posthumanist Worldview in Kiln People”

Comment: Jolie Sheffer

Chair: Hiroyuki MATSUBARA (Rikkyo University)