

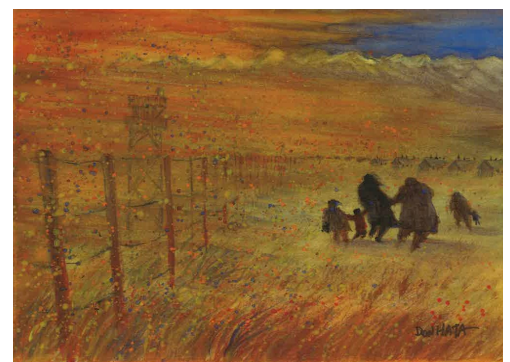
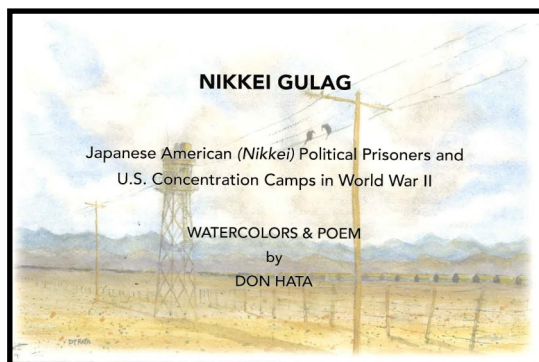
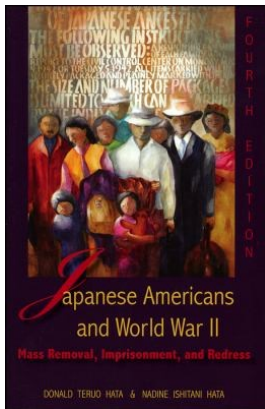
# Don Hata

## Historian, Artist, Poet and Author

In 1942, President Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066 resulting in the imprisonment and relocations of Japanese Americans and Japanese Nationals. Don Hata, will talk about the incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II. Hata, a native of Los Angeles, was imprisoned along with his family at a camp in Gila River, AZ., when he was three years old.

Don Hata is a retired emeritus professor of history at California State University, Dominguez Hills where he taught classes on U.S. History, Asian History and Asian American History.

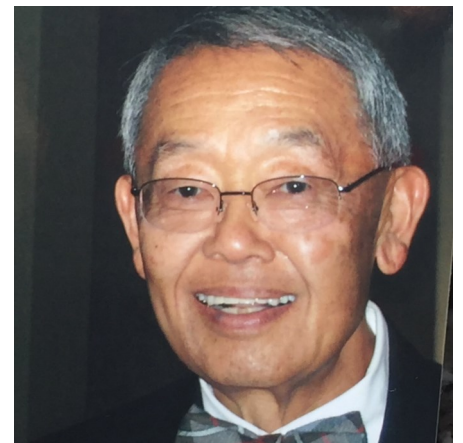
May is Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month. It provides an opportunity to learn about the history and contributions of Asian American communities, including the Japanese American concentration camps of WW II. Don will talk about the issues that led to the incarceration of Japanese Americans and his own personal experiences at the camp. His poems, watercolor paintings and memories reflect the harsh realities of the concentration camp.



**Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>**

**1:30pm-2:30pm**

**Redondo Beach Main Library  
Conference Room - 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**



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