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Nisei Veterans Committee Foundation Speaker Series: “The Go For Broke Spirit”

Saturday, Feb 24th 2018 (2 – 4 p.m.)

NVC Hall, 1212 S. King St., Seattle WA 98144 (near the International District)

Photographer Shane Sato is proud to be up in the Northwest to talk about his new book, “The Go For Broke Spirit.” Over 15 years in the making, he will be presenting the book to the local Seattle Nisei veterans of WWII who participated in his project. This coffee table portrait book brings out the emotions and the turmoil of prejudice and fear after the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Sato artistically captures these men’s range of emotions...sadness, strength, fear, duty, triumph – expressively photographed in a way not many have seen. His ability to bring out personality in what are usually stoic subjects is touching. The story of the Nisei is inspiring... these Nisei soldiers fought for a country that did not fight for them. They fought when their families and friends were held in prisons called internment camps. Why did the Nisei do that? What became of these men? How are they now portrayed in American history? And how do they tell and share these stories to others?

In his portraits, Sato provides us a glimpse into these men’s lives. The portraits are accompanied by candid photos and a short story—usually a personal one—when possible. Without writing a history book, Sato “talks story” to share the lives of the Nisei to future generations so that their accomplishments and history are not forgotten. Sato will speak about his portrait style, the photographic process, and the hardships and successes associated with the making of the book. Sato will do a reading of one or two stories from his book, joined by Seattle’s own Ken Mochizuki (whose book, “Baseball Saved Us,” was a favorite of Sato’s), will also read one of his contributing stories.

Sato’s “The Go For Broke Spirit” book will be for sale at the speaker series and hopefully many of the veterans will be on hand to sign their portraits in the book!! This is a great chance to see and hear about these men, the Japanese American success story, and get their autographs in your own book! If you cannot attend, please check out the Go For Broke Spirit website to order your copy and follow Sato’s journey as he embarks on his second book in the series.

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