

# THE REDRESS AND REPARATIONS MOVEMENT: THEN AND NOW

## A GUEST LECTURE BY GRACE SHIMIZU AND MARLENE TONAI

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5:30 – 7 PM, 554 Barrows Hall



GRACE SHIMIZU is the daughter of a former Japanese Peruvian internee who survived the US Latin American rendition program during World War II. As director of the Japanese Peruvian Oral History Project (JPOHP) and coordinator of the Campaign For Justice: Redress NOW For Japanese Latin Americans! (CFJ), Grace is a leading advocate for the documentation and preservation of this hidden history of kidnapping, internment, and hostage exchange and for the right to redress and US government accountability for such war crimes.

MARLENE TONAI was born and raised in the small rural community of Sanger, CA in the San Joaquin valley and graduated from UC Berkeley in 1975. While at Cal, Marlene was active in the Asian Student Union and helped to organize the first pilgrimage to Tule Lake concentration camp in 1974. After graduation, Marlene continued her community service as a preschool teacher at Nihonmachi Little Friends, a staff person serving Japanese American seniors in the East Bay, and a leader of the National Coalition for Redress & Reparations (NCRR) for over a decade. Recently retired, Marlene resides in Oakland and is a founding member of Nikkei Resisters, a group determined to stand up for people who are targets of unjust and racist policies today, just as Japanese Americans were in 1942.



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