## Okinawa Slide & Book Signing by the Author of First Comprehensive Guide to Ryukyu Islands

Sunday, May 4, 1:00 PM Gardena Valley Japanese Cultural Institute

Gardena Valley Japanese Cultural Institute and Cultural News co-sponsor Okinawa slide show and book signing by an author of a new guide book about Ryukyu Islands including Okinawa on Sunday, May 4 at 1:00 pm at Nisei Veteran Hall in the JCI, Gardena. For information, call JCI at (310) 324-6611 or Cultural News at (213) 819-4100.

Tax attorney, university professor, and inveterate traveler, Robert Walker, publishes *Okinawa and Ryukyu Islands: The First Comprehensive Guide to the Entire Ryukyu Island Chain* by Tuttle Publishing.

Author Robert Walker who is Law Professor at University of Maryland – Asian Division in Okinawa, will be visiting Los Angeles from May 3 -11. On May 4, Prof. Walker will come to Gardena for the slide show and his book signing.

**Okinawa and the Ryukyu Islands** is the first comprehensive guide to the 150 sub-tropical island chain that stretches across 600 miles from Japan to Taiwan. These are some of the most stunningly beautiful islands in the world.

Illustrated with over 200 color photographs and 40 maps, this book provides essential travel tips to help tourists avoid costly mistakes. It also includes a large fold-out map of Okinawa and the Ryukyu chain with insets for the major islands and cities.

Books will be available for purchase and signing.

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