

January



Thursday, January 18 | 6:30 PM Lessons Learned with Tony Lee

The Korea Society and the Korea Finance Society kick off the New Year with Tony W. Lee's captivating stories from the world of finance. Lee is Co-Founder and Managing Partner of One Rock Capital Partners, LLC.



January 22 - April 11 2018 Language Classes, Winter Session

Learn Korean in a small-class setting with university affiliated language instructors. Register at koreasociety.org.



Thursday, January 25, 2018 | 6:30 PM Performing Arts - P'ansori: My First Love

Come experience dynamic musical storytelling from singer Jin Wook Hong, who performs songs in the P'ansori tradition, a Korean musical genre proclaimed by UNESCO as an Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. Hong is accompanied by musicians on the *gayageum*, bass, drums, and keyboard. Supported by the NYC Department of Cultural Affairs.



Friday, January 26 | 12 PM Forecasting Korean Politics and Security

Dr. Sue Mi Terry, the new chair of Korea programs at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, speaks with Dr. Stephen Noerper, Korea Society senior director, on likely developments in politics and security for Korea and Northeast Asia in 2018. Dr. Terry appears widely in media.



Tuesday, January 31 | 4 PM South Korea at a Crossroads Policy Book Event, featuring Scott Snyder

In South Korea at the Crossroads, the Council on Foreign Relations' Scott Snyder examines the trajectory of fifty years of South Korean foreign policy and offers predictions—and a prescription—for the future. Pairing a historical perspective with a shrewd understanding of today's political landscape, Snyder contends that South Korea's best strategy remains investing in a robust alliance with the United States.

February



February 1 - April 12 Gallery Exhibition Ham Sup: Paper Dreams

Come visit The Korea Society gallery to see Ham Sup's artwork, contemporary abstractions made with hanji, a traditional Korean paper. Ham Sup's pieces are characterized by a synthesis of East and West, old and new.



Saturday, February 3 Family Day: Korean New Year Session 1: 11 AM Session 2: 1 PM

Join us at The Korea Society to celebrate *Sollal*, the Korean New Year, with a day of fun-filled family activities! Hear stories, participate in arts workshops, play traditional games, and more! *Limited space please register in advance*. Supported by the NYC Department of Cultural Affairs.



Wednesday, February 7 | 9 AM Politics, Policy, and PyeongChang 2018

This session addresses issues of politics and policy in the lead-up to the Winter Games and is held two days prior to the Opening Ceremonies. Korea Society senior director Stephen Noerper speaks via electronic uplink with Olympic enthusiast Victor Cha.



Thursday, February 8 | 6:30 PM Annual Membership Appreciation Party

Members, supporters, and friends of The Korea Society celebrate the Lunar New Year and toast to good fortune in the Year of the Earth Dog.



Friday, February 9 | 8 AM Opening Ceremonies of the PyeongChang Winter Olympics

Join our breakfast viewing of the Winter Games Opening Ceremonies for members and midtown supporters, with historic Winter Games items on display. The Society features the Pyeongchang Games live daily in its public event space.



Monday, February 12 | 12 PM LIE by Chung Chung Lee

Join The Korea Society's celebration of K-fashion with an exciting presentation by Chung Chung Lee, the designer for LIE and the son of a legendary fashion designer, LIE SANG BONG.



February 15 - 16 Thursday, 3-5 PM (2/15) Friday, 10-11:30 AM (2/16)

Korea's Transition to Democracy: Thirty Years On
Marking thirty years since the shift from authoritarianism to democracy in South Korea, the Korea Society hosts analysts and experts for a discussion of the roots of democratization, the flowering of democracy since, the recent Candlelight Movement, and state of Korea's democracy today.



Thursday, February 22 | 6 PM Dialogue with a North Korean Defector, featuring Seongmin Lee

Seongmin Lee, who escaped North Korea in 2009, witnessed the tumultuous social and economic change in the wake of the 1990s famine. Lee converses with associate policy director Jonathan Corrado, marking the fourth anniversary of the release of the UN Commission of Inquiry Report on North Korea human rights.

SUPPORT THE KOREA SOCIETY!

Support America's premier independent non-profit organization educating Americans on Korea as it enters its seventh decade. Enrich your knowledge of policy, business, language, culture and the arts at the Society's new venue atop 350 Madison Avenue in Manhattan. The Society offers quality public programs, private roundtable discussions, language study, educational exchange for high school students and teachers to Korea, and robust performing and visual arts in its stunning gallery. Join at an enhanced giving level and enjoy all programs included. Membership and more at koreasociety.org

Pre-registration is now required for all Korea Society events, and an ID is required for security.

March



Wednesday, March 7 | 12 PM North Korea, Inc., featuring John Park

Harvard Kennedy School Korea Working Group Director, Dr. John Park, addresses the evolution (and devolution) of North Korea's external trade and commercial ties, notably with China. Dr. Park joins in dialogue with Dr. Stephen Noerper, senior director for policy at the Korea Society.



Thursdays, March 8, 15, 25 and 29 | 4 PM Kim Koo Professional Series

This by-invitation series gathers corporate, media and UN senior professionals for intimate, high-impact roundtable discussions on Korea and Northeast Asia politics, economics and security with US-based Asia policy thought leaders. On March 29, participants from the Korea Society's first six classes join for a reunion celebration and dialogue.



Thursday, March 15 | 6 PM Asia Week Reception: Ham Sup

Artist Ham Sup works with hanji, traditional Korean paper, his works of contemporary abstraction reveal a synthesis of east and West marked by a traditional Korean aesthetic. Supported by the NYC Department of Cultural Affairs.



Thursday, March 22 | 6:30 PM Happy Hour at Shin Gallery

Join The Korea Society for a night of networking and drinks at Shin Gallery! A collector and a gallerist, Hong-gyu Shin will discuss an overview of the contemporary Asian art market and the current exhibition of Hyon Gyon at his newly expanded gallery in the Lower East Side.



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Sherman Family Korea Emerging Scholar Lecture Series

The Korea Society seeks to grow a next generation of US thought leadership on Korea through its annual Sherman Family Korea Emerging Scholar Lecture. The Society receives nominations early year, and through the generosity of former Citi representative Philip Sherman, his wife, and family, awards a speaking prize and opportunity for an emerging scholar or equivalent individual from non-governmental organizations or public service to address Korea Society members and media in New York prior to the Society's annual gala. The first Sherman Scholar in 2017 was Katrin Katz, who received her Ph.D. from Northwestern University, and who now teaches at Georgetown University. Dr. Katz spoke to issues of maritime conflict and cooperation, and Korean nationalism, before a sold-out audience in New York City. For more information, contact Dr. Stephen Noerper, Senior Director for Policy, at stephen.noerper@koreasociety.org

Kim Koo Professional Series Nominees

The Kim Koo Professional Series brings together senior professionals from the UN, media and Wall Street for discussions with thought leaders on Korea and Northeast Asia. Through the generous support of the Kim Koo Foundation, the series provides a valuable dialogue and networking opportunity among policy professionals. If interested or to nominate a senior-director level candidate, please contact Dr. Stephen Noerper, Senior Director for Policy, at stephen.noerper@koreasociety.org

Private Roundtables

The Korea Society hosts its Distinguished Korea Visitors series year long in its dedicated executive board room atop 350 Madison Avenue. To inquire on upcoming events and to join as a corporate or individual member, please visit koreasociety.org



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