

7th Grade Extra Credit Opportunity #2

For extra credit, do one of the following activities. Unless otherwise directed, write 2/3 to 1 page about what you saw and anything interesting that you witnessed. In order to earn extra credit, students must have all assignments turned in first, or the extra credit will not be accepted.

Visit the Asian Art Museum and compare some of the art from India, China and Japan. The museum is located at 200 Larkin Street in San Francisco. Admission is Free for students 12 and younger, \$7 for students 13 – 19, and \$12 for adults; however, admission is free on the first Sunday of each month. Contact them at 415-581-3500 or check them out online at www.asianart.org. Students must write approximately 1 page about the art they experience there in order to earn the extra credit. They currently have an exhibition about photographic memories of Burma and Siam, and there will soon be an exciting exhibit on Shanghai Starting on February 12. Their hours are 10 am – 5 pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday through Sunday, 10 am – 9 pm on Thursday and they are closed on Mondays.

Visit the Hakone Gardens in Saratoga and pay special attention to the Zen Garden and Tea Garden. This local favorite has been in Saratoga for over 90 years. They are located at 21000 Big Basin Way in Saratoga. Cost is \$3.50 for students 5 – 17 years old and \$5 for adults. They are open from 10 am – 5 pm Monday – Friday, and 11 am – 5 pm on weekends. Guided tours are available upon request. For more information, visit them online at www.hakone.com or call them at 408-741-4994.

Create a timeline of African history. Place the following items on a timeline, include an appropriate title for the timeline and a graphic for each event: Khalif Omar conquers Egypt; Mansa Musa makes a pilgrimage to Mecca; the Great Zimbabwe is built; Ghana is conquered by a Berber army; Islamic Africans invade and conquer Spain; the African slave trade begins; Ghana trades gold for salt; the Songhai Empire controls central Sudan; and, the Mandika people control Western Africa and form the Mali Empire.

All work must be submitted on or before February 26th 2010.