

Nihonmachi Outreach Committee (NOC) presents:

25th Annual San Jose Day of Remembrance 2005

“Democracy and Dissent”



**February 20, 2005
Sunday, 5:30 p.m.**

**San Jose
Buddhist Church Betsuin
640 North 5th Street
San Jose**

*The program includes: Imam Zaid
Shakir and other speakers, Koto and
Taiko Performances, Candlelight
Procession and Reception*

In the days following the attack on Pearl Harbor, the FBI rounded up thousands of Japanese immigrants who were detained without charges. Then, on February 19, 1942 President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066, forcing 120,000 Japanese Americans into concentration camps. The Commission on the Wartime Relocation and Incarceration of Civilians concluded that this action was a result of “race prejudice, war hysteria, and a failure of political leadership.”

The 2005 Day of Remembrance will be the 25th annual program to commemorate E.O. 9066 in San Jose. In the past year a best-selling book argued that the government was right to put Japanese Americans into concentration camps and defended the arrests and detentions of Arab Americans and American Muslims since September 11, 2001. This makes it all the more important that you join us on February 20th as we honor the memory of the internees and renew our commitment to equality and justice for all people.

The Nihonmachi Outreach Committee believes that Japanese Americans, as recipients of redress, must continue to seek the just treatment of all Americans.

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