

# A Principled Stand: The Story of *Hirabayashi v. United States*



Join us for an afternoon with Lane Ryo Hirabayashi, co-author of *A Principled Stand: The Story of Hirabayashi v. United States*.

In 1943, Gordon Hirabayashi was convicted and imprisoned for defying the curfew and mass removal of Japanese Americans on the West Coast. Drawing from his unpublished letters and diaries, Gordon's brother James and nephew Lane use Gordon's own words from this period to detail the events of *Hirabayashi v. United States*, the Supreme Court case that in 1943 upheld and on appeal in 1987 vacated his conviction.



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Actor Johnny Kwon portrays Gordon Hirabayashi as a college student when the curfew for Japanese Americans was imposed. The sketch, written by actor/playwright Jeanne Sakata, was one of 6 sketches for "Our American Voice," performed for 6 weeks at the Japanese American National Museum, in collaboration with East West Players, to complement the Smithsonian traveling exhibit, "I Want The Wide American Earth."

**Saturday, April 5, 2014**  
**1:00pm – 3:00pm**

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