



*Honoring the 100th
Infantry Battalion,
442nd Regimental
Combat Team,
Military Intelligence
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Engineer Construction
Battalion*

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Aloha!

The Nisei Veterans Legacy (NVL) is honored to present our **annual fundraiser, themed, “Beyond the Battlefield: The Next Generation”** on Thursday, July 28, 2022, 5:30 pm at the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai’i.

We are a small, volunteer-run, Oahu-based 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that strives to preserve, perpetuate, and share the extraordinary legacy of the Nisei soldiers and veterans who served in the U.S. armed forces during WWII: primarily in the 100th Infantry Battalion, 442nd Regimental Combat Team, Military Intelligence Service, and 1399th Engineer Construction Battalion.

Our mission is educational in nature and we use our resources to create and display permanent and traveling historical exhibits, give presentations, support youth programs, and sponsor community events. For example, we host the only state-wide annual Nisei Soldier Memorial Service at Punchbowl Cemetery; and recently, partnered with the Honolulu Star-Advertiser to launch the Nisei Impact Youth Journalism Program which taught high school students about journalism using the Nisei soldier story as source material. The students’ essays were featured in various outlets including the Honolulu Star-Advertiser, reaching a broad local and national audience.

Our fundraising theme, “Beyond the Battlefield: The Next Generation” reflects our commitment to building educational platforms that include the transformative post war contributions of these soldiers along with a renewed focus on connecting with contemporary events and the youth in our community.

We hope that you will join us in perpetuating the legacy of the WWII Nisei soldiers by supporting our fundraising event which will include a buffet dinner, speakers, a youth segment, and a live auction. If you are able to do so, please print and complete the attached EVENT REGISTRATION FORM and mail it to us by Monday, July 4, 2022 to sponsor a table or reserve your seat. Alternately, you may register for the event by going to our fundraising website found at: <https://givebutter.com/NVLHawaii2022>. Our fundraising website also allows you to make additional donations and, to make fundraising enjoyable, create a team and include your friends and family to support the NVL!

We understand that there are many organizations seeking your support and we genuinely appreciate you considering the NVL. Should you have any questions about the event, please contact Kristin Alm Kamakahi and Shelly Imamura at nvlevent@gmail.com. *Mahalo nui loa* for your support!

Sincerely,

Lynn Heirakuji
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Director and Fundraiser Chair