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Date of Birth: April 2nd, 1976

Place of Birth: Yokohama, Japan

Current Academic Positions Held:

Ph.D. Student at Nautical Archaeology Program, Department of Anthropology at Texas A&M University

Research Associate: The Institute of Nautical Archaeology at Texas A&M (INA)

P.I. for National Geographic Society Project: The Bach Dang River Battle Site Reconstruction Project

----- DEGREE AWARDED -----

December 2008

Texas A&M University (TAMU). College Station, TX
M.A. in Anthropology (Nautical Archaeology)

December 1999

Southwest Missouri State University. Springfield, MO.
B.A. in Anthropology and Antiquities

----- PROJECTS DIRECTED (as P.I.) -----

2009-Current

The Bach Dang River Battle Site Reconstruction Project
Supported by National Geographic Society/Waite Institute for Discovery, and INA.

2008

The Northern Vietnam Anchor Recording Project
Supported by INA.

2006-7

San Francisco/Manila Galleon Preliminary Survey Project in Onjuku, Japan
Supported by INA, RPM Nautical Foundation, and Spain USA Foundation.

2004-5

4000 Junks Project (Recording Timbers from the Wrecks of Khubilai Khan's Fleet)
Supported by INA, RPM Nautical Foundation, and Takashima Board of Education

----- FORMAL EVENTS ORGANIZED -----

2008

The 3rd Annual Maritime Archaeology Seminar
at Tokyo University of Marine Science and Technology

2007

The 2nd Annual Maritime Archaeology Seminar
at Keio University

2006

The 1st Annual Maritime Archaeology Seminar
at Kyoto University

----- FORMAL PRESENTATIONS -----

2010

“The Original Vietnam War”

The Society for American Archaeology 75th Annual Conference, St.Louis, MO.

“Nautical Archaeology: The Case Studies of Current Research (in Japanese)”

The Japan Foundation Project Report and Symposium by the Asian Research Institute for Underwater Archaeology, Tokyo, Japan.

2009

“The Results of the Initial Season of Archaeological Research at the Bach Dang Battle Site”
19th Indo-Pacific Prehistory Association, Hanoi, Vietnam.

“Invited Lecture- Analysis and Conservation of Archaeological Remains from Underwater Site”
The Institute of Archaeology in Hanoi, Vietnam.

“The Bach Dang River Project 2008”

Society for Historical Archaeology 42nd Annual Conference, Toronto, Canada.

2008

“The Origin of the Lost Fleet”

Society for Historical Archaeology 41st Annual Conference, Albuquerque.

2007

“Future of Maritime Archaeology and UNESCO Underwater Cultural Heritage (in Japanese)”

The Second Maritime Archaeology Seminar at Keio University, Japan.

2006

“The Legend Beyond Kamikaza”

World Archaeology Congress, Inter-Congress at Osaka, Japan.

“Reconstructing Medieval Asia Ship (in Japanese)”

Maritime Cross-Cultural Exchange in East Asia and the Formation of Japanese Traditional Culture, Tokai University, Japan.

“Ships of Genko/The Mongol Invasion (in Japanese)”

The First Annual Maritime Archaeology Seminar, Kyoto University, Japan.

2005

“Invited Lecture - Resurrecting of the Shipwrecks (in Japanese)”

at Kyusyu National Museum of Japan.

“The Nautical Archaeology of Kamikaze”

The American Institute of Archaeology 106th Annual Meeting, Boston.

----- SELECTED PUBLICATIONS -----

THESIS

2008

“The Origin of the Lost Fleet of the Mongol Empire” MA Thesis, Texas A&M Univeristy

<http://repository.tamu.edu/bitstream/handle/1969.1/ETD-TAMU-3100/SASAKI-THESIS.pdf>

BOOKS

2011/12

The Archaeology of Kamikaze: Revealing the Secret of Mongolian Navy (Proposed Title). Texas A&M Press, College Station. (In Review)

2010

Learning World History Through Shipwrecks Media Factory, Tokyo.

沈没船から学ぶ世界史 メディアファクトリー (ISBN 9784840136648)

BOOK CHAPTERS

2011/12

Randall Sasaki and James Delgado. “The Environmental Impact of the Mongol Invasion Based on the Archaeological Records from Takashima Underwater Site (Proposed Title)” in *The Environmental History of Japan*. Edited by Bruce Batten and Philip Brown. (In Preparation)

2011

Kenzo Hayashida, Jun Kimura, and Randall Sasaki. "The Submerged Archaeological Sites of Japan (Proposed Title)" in *Submerged Prehistoric Archaeology: How Climate Change and Technology are Rewriting History*. Edited by Amanda Evans, Nic Flemming, and Joe Flatman. (In Preparation)

"A Survey of East Asian Shipbuilding Traditions during the Era of Chinese Maritime Expansion" in *The Oxford Handbook of Maritime Archaeology*. Edited by Alexis Catsambis, Ben Ford, and Donny L. Hamilton. Oxford University Press. (ISBN13: 9780195375176) (In Final Review)

2009

James Delgado, Kenzo Hayashida and Randall Sasaki "Underwater archaeology of a ship wrecked during the attempted Yuan invasion of Japan in 1281" in *Genghis Khan and the Mongol Empire* Edited by W. Fitzhugh, M. Rossabi, and W. Honeychurch. University of Washington Press. (ISBN 9780295989570 0295989572)

ARTICLES AND REPORTS

2010

Jun Kimura, Randall Sasaki, and Vu The Long. "Historical development of Asian anchors, evidenced by two wooden anchors found in northern Vietnam." *The International Journal of Nautical Archaeology* 40:

2008

"The Origin of the Lost Fleet" *2008 ACUA Underwater Archaeology Proceedings*

2006

"Where the Vessels were Built: Reconstructing the Mongol Invasions of Japan" *The INA Quarterly* 33(3):16-22.

"Considering the Philosophy of Shipbuilding PART I: Learning from the examples in Mediterranean" *The Journal of Underwater Archaeological Studies* 2:32-48. (In Japanese)

Jun Kimura and Randall Sasaki. "The San Francisco Survey Project 2006" *The Journal of Underwater Archaeological Studies* 2:78-87. (In Japanese)

2005

"The Legend of Kamikaze: Nautical Archaeology in Japan" *The INA Quarterly* 32(1):3-8.

"Analysis of the Timbers from 2004 Excavation (in Japanese)" in *Takashima Site Report XI*. Takashima Board of Education, p.14-22.

"Methods for Recording Timbers in Three Dimensions" *The INA Quarterly* 32(3):16-21.

David Guilfoile, Jun Kimura and Randall Sasaki. "Okitsu Harbor Survey Project" AIMA Newsletter 24(4):17-20.

2004

"Analysis of Timbers from 2003 Excavation (in Japanese)" in *Takashima Site Report X*. Takashima Board of Education, p.16-22.

----- EMPLOYMENT -----

2009-Present

Freelance Photographer and Instructor: for events, portraits, and artifacts

Reference: Annette Walker (TAMU Corps of Cadets) awalker@corps.tamu.edu

1995-Present

Self-Employed: Japanese Instructor/Translator

Reference: Dr. Martin Avendaño (Dept. of Mathematics, TAMU) avendano@math.tamu.edu

2008-2009

Teaching Assistantship at the Department of Anthropology

2004-2008

Photographic Specialists at the Conservation Research Lab

2001-2002

Archaeological Consulting and Services in Verona, WI (CRM Projects)

1999-2001

Center for Archaeological Research in Springfield, MO (CRM Projects)

----- OTHER INTERESTS -----

Specialized Skills: Japanese - Professional Reading/Writing/Speaking

Chinese - Intermediate Reading

Proficient with Rhinoceros© Advanced 3D Modeling/Technical Rendering

Proficient with Adobe Photoshop©

Founder/Chief Editor www.nauticalarchaeologyjp.com

Leadership Skill: President of the Japan Club at Texas A&M University (2007-2008)

----- REFERENCE -----

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