

## Diane Matsuda

### Career Experience

- 2008-2016 *Executive Director*  
John Burton Foundation-San Francisco  
Directed a statewide, nonprofit organization whose mission is to improve the lives of foster, former foster and homeless youth. Personally created and implemented direct service programs to support foster youth in college including a smart eating initiative, essay competition and events to honor academic achievement.
- 2004-2008 *Executive Officer*  
California Cultural and Historical Endowment-Sacramento  
Created a new \$128 million competitive grant program to preserve and honor cultural and historic sites of importance with a focus on stories and histories of underrepresented communities and under recognized venues.
- 1999-2004 *Program Director*  
California Civil Liberties Public Education Program-Sacramento  
Implemented and administered the first state funded competitive grant program supporting projects that educate and inform individuals about the Japanese American incarceration experience during World War II, and its linkages and parallels to other communities and experiences.
- 1997-1998 *International Program Coordinator*  
California International Relations Foundation-Sacramento  
Implemented and administered Japan related exchange programs for state legislators and high school students.
- 1992-1997 *Coordinator*  
Osaka International House Foundation-Osaka Japan  
Solely responsible for all external communication and interaction with foreign diplomats, programs, organizations and individuals and worked with planning department team to create international forums and conferences including an environmental protection program with the country of Senegal.

### Community and Civic Experience

- 2009-Present *Commissioner*  
Historic Preservation Commission-San Francisco  
Serve as the public at large member to emphasize and support the preservation and public recognition of little known and under recognized communities, and serve as one of two members on the Cultural Heritage Assets Committee to highlight neighborhood businesses and community assets

- 2010-Present                      Board Member  
 SF Japantown Foundation-San Francisco  
 Responsible coordinating and implementing an annual fundraising event focusing on traditional Japanese new year traditions and culinary dishes so that the proceeds can be reinvested back into culturally and historically relevant projects in San Francisco Japantown.
- 2006-Present                      Advisor  
 The Henri and Tomoye Takahashi Charitable Foundation-San Francisco  
 Provide guidance and organizational support to a family foundation whose focus is to educate the American public about Japanese and Japanese American history and culture
- 1997-Present                      Cultural Tour Coordinator  
 Japanese Cultural and Community Center of No CA-San Francisco  
 Initiate, plan and implement yearly cultural tours to Japan focusing on prefectures less traveled by foreign tourists
- 2011-Present                      Volunteer  
 Northern Japan Earthquake Relief Fund-San Francisco  
 Work with communities in Northern Japan that were affected by the 2011 earthquake, tsunami and nuclear disaster.
- 2004-Present                      Advisory Committee Member  
 CA Civil Liberties Public Education Program

**Financial and Estate Experience**

- 2012-Present                      Trustee and Power of Attorney  
 Firsthand experience in administering large estates whose beneficiaries are nonprofit organizations in San Francisco

**Education**

- Juris Doctorate                  Hastings College of the Law  
 Member of the CA State Bar
- Bachelor of Arts                  University of San Francisco  
 Majors: Sociology and Government
- Study Abroad                      Sophia University-Tokyo Japan

**Residence**

Native San Franciscan born and raised in the Richmond District and currently residing in Japantown