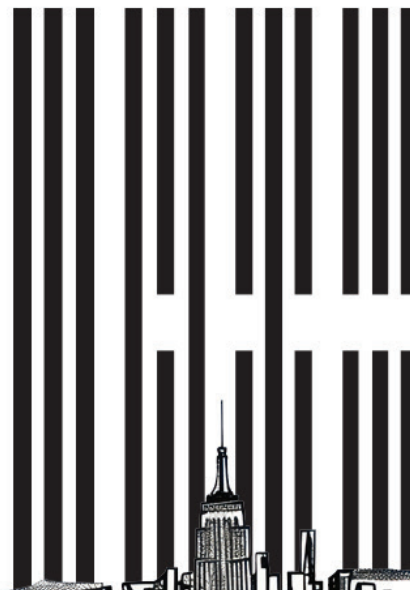




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Letter from the President

The Kim Koo Professional Series was established in 2015 with generous support from the Kim Koo Foundation in Seoul to educate New York professionals on U.S.-Korea relations and wider Korean Peninsula issues. Now entering its 11th year, the Series continues to empower Fellows with opportunities to learn, connect, and achieve.

By cultivating an expanding network of 200+ Fellows, the Series facilitates collaboration and communication between professionals across policy, industry, media, nonprofits, and academia. This network of distinguished experts is dedicated to fostering vibrant U.S.-Korea ties and regional peace and prosperity.

2026 marks a significant milestone as UNESCO commemorates the 150th anniversary of the birth of Kim Koo, honoring his conviction that culture is the ultimate engine for national development, human happiness, and international peace. At The Korea Society, we are honored to uphold his legacy by fostering mutual understanding through education and cultural exchange.

A prominent figure in Korean history, Kim Koo served as the President of the Provisional Government of the Republic of Korea during the Japanese colonial era. Though his life was tragically cut short in 1949, his contributions to nation-building and patriotism continue to inspire. We remember him, not only as a leader of the independence movement, but as a visionary who saw culture as the foundation of a truly great nation.

The Korea Society is proud to work with the Kim Koo Foundation to fulfill our mission in promoting the U.S.-Korea relationship and working towards peace, stability, and prosperity in Northeast Asia.



Abraham Kim
President & CEO
The Korea Society





Commemorating the 150th Anniversary of Kim Koo's Birth: Exhibition Opening & Presentation

The Korea Society was honored to host a special exhibition and presentation honoring the life, enduring vision, and profound legacy of Kim Koo—one of the most revered leaders of the Korean independence movement. As a central figure in the Korean independence movement and the President of the Provisional Government of the Republic of Korea, Kim Koo presented a visionary outlook that emphasized national strength based on culture rather than military or economic power. To commemorate UNESCO's designation of 2026 as the 150th anniversary of Kim Koo's birth, The Korea Society offered a unique opportunity to reflect on his legacy through both a visual exhibition and intellectual exchange.

This special event marked the opening of the exhibition, **Kim Koo: Dreaming of Peace Through the Power of Culture**, and featured a presentation prepared by The Association of Commemorative Service for Patriot Kim Koo. It also celebrated the 11th anniversary of the Kim Koo Professional Series at The Korea Society.

The program featured Dr. **Han Kyung-Koo**, who served as the Secretary-General of the Korean National Commission for UNESCO and played a pivotal role in the 2026 UNESCO designation. Congratulatory remarks were provided by Her Excellency **Kang, Kyung-wha**, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Korea to the United States of America, and New Jersey Assemblywoman **Ellen Park**. A congratulatory message from Dr. **Kim Mee**, Chairperson of the Kim Koo Foundation, was delivered by her daughter and great granddaughter of Kim Koo, Ms. **Jung Hwa Kim**, Director of International Affairs for The Kim Koo Foundation.





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- April 23 *America's Taiwan Dilemma:
Allies' Reactions and
the Stakes for US Reputation*
Mark Christopher
Taiwan Security Monitor
Non-Resident Fellow
- May 7 *Privileged but Powerless:
How North Korean Elite Grievances
Reveal the Regime's Greatest Weakness*
Dr. Jieun Baek
Adjunct Faculty Member
Oxford University's
Blavatnik School of Government
- May 14 *The Promised Republic:
Developmental Society
and the Making of Modern Seoul*
Professor Russell Burge
Korea Foundation Assistant Professor
of Korean History
Indiana University Bloomington



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Dr. **Han Kyung-Koo** was the Secretary-General of the Korean National Commission for UNESCO from December 2020 to December 2024. As a cultural anthropologist trained at Seoul National University (M.A.) and Harvard University (Ph.D.), Dr. Han taught anthropology at Kangwon National University and helped develop the Division of International Studies at Kookmin University as its dean. In 2009, he joined the newly founded College of Liberal Studies of Seoul National University and served as its dean. Dr. Han also served as a member of the Korean National Commission for UNESCO, the Policy Planning Committee of the Korea Federation for the Environmental Movement, and the Presidential Commission for Sustainable Development. He has also served on the editorial boards of the *Korea Journal*, *Sahoewa Yeoksa* (Society and History), and *Cross-Currents: East Asian History and Culture Review*, and was Editor of *Hanguk Munhwa Inryuhak* (Korean Cultural Anthropology) and of the *Korean Social Science Journal*. Dr. Han was President of the Korean International Migration Studies Association, the Korean Society for Education for International Understanding, and the Korean Society for the Study of Overseas Koreans, as well as Vice President of the Korean Society for Cultural Anthropology, and the Korean Society for Environmental Sociology.

Dr. **Kim Mee** is a distinguished Korean philanthropist and civic leader. She currently serves as Chairperson of the Kim Koo Foundation, established to honor the legacy of her grandfather, Kim Koo—one of Korea's most revered independence leaders. The Foundation advances educational and cultural initiatives both in Korea and internationally, continuing Kim Koo's lifelong commitment to public service and national identity. Dr. Kim has dedicated her career to advocating for social equity and civic engagement. Her work spans a range of critical issues, including women's rights, child welfare, healthcare access, education, the arts, and civil diplomacy. Dr. Kim is a board director for The Korea Society. She previously served as Chairperson of *Women's News*, a leading Korean newspaper focused on women's issues and social justice. She also holds board positions at the Fletcher School at Tufts University, Midwest

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Kim Koo Professional Series Fall 2025

- December 4 *Korea-China Relations:
A History of Intervention*
Dr. Ji-Young Lee
Associate Professor
International Relations
American University's School of
International Service
- December 11 *US-Korea Shipbuilding Cooperation*
Jeffrey Voth
President
Herren Associates, Inc.
- December 18 *Sweden's Role in
Korean Peninsula Diplomacy*
Ambassador Peter Semneby
Swedish Government's Special Envoy
for the Korean Peninsula



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Kim Koo Professional Series Spring 2025

March 26 *Charting Future Pathways for US-Korea-Japan Trilateral Relations*

Emma Chanlett-Avery

Director for Political-Security Affairs

Asia Society Policy Institute

Dr. Joshua Walker

President and CEO

Japan Society

April 8 *Korea's Politics of the Vortex: 2025*

Edward J. Baker

Advisor

Harvard University Korea Institute

Dr. Ingu Hwang

Associate Professor of the Practice

Boston College

April 16 *Acting and Activism*

Dr. Victor Cha

The Korea Society/CSIS/Georgetown

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Ambassador **Raymond Burghardt** served for many years as one of the leading Asian specialists in the U.S. Foreign Service. He was the Consul General in Shanghai from 1997 to 1999. He served as Director of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT) from 1999–2001, and then was Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the AIT from February 2006 to October 2016. He was Ambassador to Vietnam (2001–2004), Deputy Chief of Mission at the U.S. Embassies in Manila (1993–96) and Seoul (1990–93) and Political Counselor in Beijing (1987–89). Burghardt's earlier career included an assignment on the National Security Council staff as Special Assistant to President Reagan and Senior Director of Latin American Affairs. From 2006 until December 2012, Burghardt served concurrently with his AIT position as Director of East-West Seminars at the East-West Center in Honolulu. He is currently a Consultant to the Institute for Defense Analyses, President of Pacific Century Institute, and he serves as an advisor on Asia to a major US financial company. Burghardt received a B.A. from Columbia College in 1967 and did graduate study at Columbia's School of International and Public Affairs. He is a New York City native and resident.

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Stephen Biegun
Former Deputy Secretary of State
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 Ramapo College of New Jersey
- Sean King
 Senior Vice President
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Common Misconceptions about North Korea

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Associate and Expert-in-Residence,
Freedom and Democracy
George W. Bush Institute

Seohyun Lee

North Korean defector, human rights
advocate, commentator, and
YouTube creator
International Security Policy/
Technology, Media, and
Communication at Columbia SIPA

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North Korea's Cyber Threat

Jean Lee

Co-host of the Lazarus Heist podcast
BBC World Service
Public policy fellow
Woodrow Wilson International
Center for Scholars

Michael Barnhart

Cybersecurity expert
DPRK Lead at Mandiant

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Writing About North Korea

Barbara Demick

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Ordinary Lives in North Korea*

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Seohyun Lee was born and raised in central Pyongyang and grew up with the best educational opportunities available in North Korea. In 2008, she enrolled at Kim Il Sung University and continued her study in the Chinese language in the department of Foreign Languages & Literature. After moving to China with her family, she graduated from China Dongbei University of Economics and Finance in 2014 and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in finance. Advocating for North Korean human rights, Seo-Hyun works with HRNK and LiNK to inform the international community about the uncensored truth of North Korea. Seo-Hyun also works with several other NGOs, such as Lumen, to disseminate information into North Korea, which she believes is the best way to liberate the North Korean people. On top of that, in order to bring greater awareness of North Korea to the outside world, she and her brother have launched a YouTube channel called “Pyonghattan” to share their diverse experiences of living in Pyongyang’s core society.

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- Oct 25 *Reading North Korean Propaganda*
Rachel Minyoung Lee
Senior Analyst
Open Nuclear Network (ONN)
- Nov 10 *Challenges of Deterring North Korea*
Markus Garlauskas
Senior fellow with the Scowcroft
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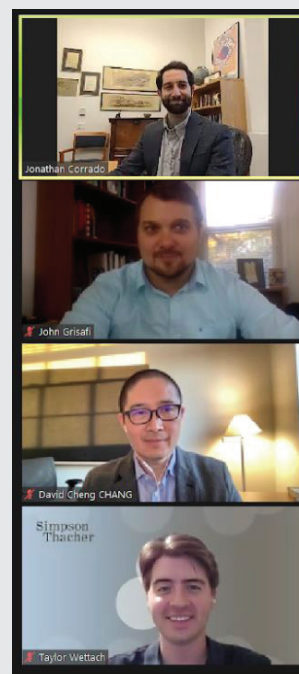
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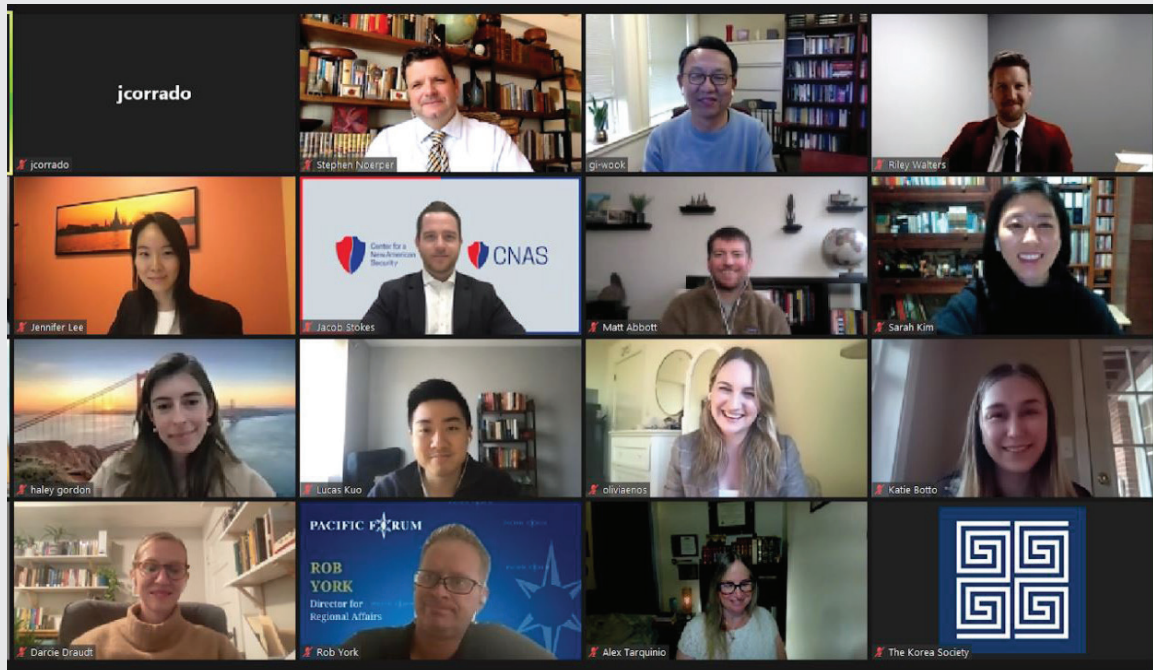
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November 19 *North Korean Challenges*

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- November 7 *Korea-Japan Relations*
 Katrin Katz
 Center for Strategic
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- November 21 *Korean Peninsula Security Update*
 General (ret.) Vincent Brooks
 Former United States Forces Korea/
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 Combined Forces Commander General
- December 5 *The US-DPRK Summit Process*
 Tom Byrne and Jonathan Corrado
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April 4 *Korea at a Crossroads*
Scott Snyder
Council on Foreign Relations

April 11 *Nuclear North Korea and
Alliances in Northeast Asia*
Victor Cha
Center for Strategic and
International Studies
Georgetown University

April 18 *New Northern and Southern
Strategies on the Peninsula*
Gordon Flake
Perth USAsia Centre

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Professor Terry Roehrig
Naval War College
- November 8 *Capitol Hill, Midterm Elections,
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Mark Manyin
Congressional Research Service
- Emma Chanlett-Avery
Congressional Research Service
- November 15 *The US-DPRK Summit Process*
Professor Sung-Yoon Lee
Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy

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- March 8 *Korea's Regional Relations*
John Park
Harvard Kennedy School
- March 15 *North Korea's Economy*
Nicholas Eberstadt
American Enterprise Institute
- March 22 *North Korean Human Rights*
Greg Scarlatoiu of the Committee
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-**Earl Carr**, Managing Director, Momentum Advisors

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November 1 *Trump's Asia Trip, Washington and Current Korea Policy*

Sue Mi Terry
Center for Strategic and
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November 8 *Russia's Tilt to Asia and Korea Policy*

Anna Kireeva
Moscow Institute of
World Economy and
International Relations

November 15 *North Korea Sanctions and Financial Cutoffs*

William Newcomb
Former UN Panel of Experts Member



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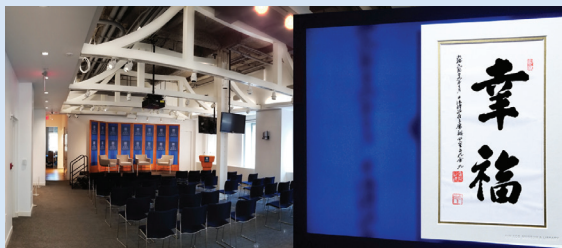
"It was a very rewarding experience for me. I've kept in touch with several of the alumni from my group and encourage anybody considering it to do it. It's a great honor to be asked [to attend] and you'll be glad you did."



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Patrick Cronin
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Bruce Klingner
Heritage Foundation
- March 24 *China-Korea Relations and
Northeast Asia Developments*
Isaac Stone Fish
Center on US-China Relations
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—Bob Savage, CEO, CCTrack Solutions

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Frank Jannuzi
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Nicholas Eberstadt
Political Economy
American Enterprise Institute

November 3 *Korea and East Asia:
A Regional Overview*
Ralph Cossa
Pacific Forum CSIS

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-Charles Kimball, Managing Director, Korea Center for International Finance

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April 8 *Recent History and New Developments: Korea and Northeast Asia*

Charles Armstrong
Columbia University

Stephanie Kleine-Ahlbrandt
(discussant)
UN Panel of Experts

April 14 *Engaging North Korea*

Stephan Haggard
UCSD

Tom Byrne
The Korea Society

Sean King (discussant)
Park Strategies

April 21 *Bilateral Relations and Unification Scenarios*

Sue Mi Terry
BowerGroupAsia

Samuel Martell (discussant)
UN Department of Political Affairs

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April 10 *Korea and Managing Security*
General (ret.) Walter "Skip" Sharp
former Commander
UNC/CFC/USFK

North Korea Military and Markets
Hazel Smith
University of Central Lancashire

April 17 *Korea and Managing Investment*
Nicholas Bratt
Lazard Asset Management

April 24 *Korea and Managing Policy*
Sung-Yoon Lee
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