



## Freedom Walk SPONSORS



**National Japanese American Memorial Foundation (NJAMF)** is dedicated to education and public awareness about the Japanese American experience during World War II. NJAMF raised private funds to build the National Japanese American Memorial to Patriotism During World War II, which is not only a monument to the Japanese American experience but also a reminder that we must not allow anything like it to happen again. The Foundation continues its work through education and outreach events and programs.



**Japanese American Veterans Association (JAVA)** is a fraternal, patriotic, educational, and historical organization with the purposes of preserving and strengthening comradeship among its members, perpetuating the memory and history of its departed comrades, maintaining true allegiance to the Government of the United States of America, upholding its Constitution and Laws, and maintaining and extending the institutions of American freedom, and in concert with other veteran organizations, striving to obtain for veterans, reservists, active duty military personnel and their families full benefit of their rightful entitlements as veterans.



**Japanese American Citizens League, DC Chapter (JACL)** – The DC Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League was established in 1946. Its mission is to secure and maintain the civil rights of Japanese Americans and all others who are victimized by injustice and bigotry. Its members also promote cultural, educational, and social values and preserve the heritage and legacy of the Japanese American community through traditional events such as Mochitsuki and Keiro Kai.



**Nen Daiko**, based at Ekoji Buddhist Temple in Fairfax Station, Virginia, has been mesmerizing audiences throughout the DC Metropolitan area since 1994. Their kumi daiko (ensemble drumming) performance illustrates the energy and athleticism that this musical form requires. Pieces include traditional festival songs and contemporary compositions. Nen Daiko has performed at all of the Cherry Blossom Freedom Walks.

