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**CHRONOLOGICAL  
BIOGRAPHY OF  
NAOMI FUKUDA** Izumi Koide, Compiler

- Dec. 2, 1907 Born
- Mar. 1929 Graduated from Tokyo Women's Christian College (Majored in the English language)  
Taught Japanese to missionaries and assisted Bob Reischauer's research in Japanese history
- 1934 Travel to Washington, D.C. through Southern route
- 1935 Obtained Barbour Scholarship from University of Michigan with the help of Bob Reischauer
- Sept. 1938 Bachelor of Arts with Distinction in History, from the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts
- June 17, 1939 Bachelor of Arts in Library Science, from the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts
- Aug. 1939-June 1940 Japanese Collection, Library of Congress (practicum on Rockefeller Scholarship)
- 1939, 1940 Attend the Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies during the Summer of 1939 and Summer of 1940
- 1940 "Some Problems in Cataloging Japanese Books for American Libraries."  
Masters thesis, University of Michigan 1940
- Oct. 1940 -1942 Tokyo Imperial University Library (Cataloging of Japanese materials)
- 1942-1943 Rikkyo University Library (Cataloging of Western materials)
- Oct. 6, 1943 Fourth Division, Research Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Nov. 1, 1943 Librarian, Third Division, Research Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Oct. 11, 1945 Retired from Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- 1945-1948 Librarian, G2, GHQ/SCAP
- Dec. 14, 1947, Verner W. Clapp and Charles H. Brown arrived Japan; wrote a draft of National Diet Library Law; Feb. 4, 1948, National Diet Library Law passed the Diet
- Dec. 23, 1947 Attended a reception for Clapp and Brown held by Japan Library Association, Ueno Park
- June-Sept. 1948 Interpreter to Robert B. Downs, Special Consultant on National Diet Library
- July 7, 1948, Robert B. Downs (Special Consultant, CIE) arrived Japan; Sept. 11, 1948, Downs submitted a report (*National Diet Library: Report on Technical Processes, Bibliographical Services and General Organizations*) to GHQ/SCAP
- 1949-1953 Freelance Translator
- June 1953 Librarian, International House of Japan, Inc.
- Oct. 3-Dec. 4, 1959 Trip to US leading a group, U.S. Field Seminar on Library Reference Services for Japanese Librarians
- Apr. 1960 Published *American libraries: report of the U.S. field seminar on library reference services for Japanese librarians* (Tokyo: The Seminar)
- Mar. 1961 Organized editorial committee for *Nihon no sanko tosho* ("A Guide to Reference Books")

- May 1962 Published *Nihon no sanko tosho* (Tokyo: The Editorial Committee)
- Nov. 1962-Mar. 1963 Survey trip on libraries for Japanese studies in America (supported by the Rockefeller Foundation)
- Mar. 1963 Published *Libraries for Japanese studies: a report of a survey by Naomi Fukuda* (Tokyo: International House of Japan)
- June-Sept. 1964 Trip to US (visited Center for Japanese Studies and East Asiatic Library at University of California, Berkeley, Earlham College, University of Illinois, University of Maryland, University of Utah, and University of Hawaii)
- 1965-1972 Member, Editorial Committee for "Nihon no Sanko Toshō," Japan Library Association
- 1965 Published *Nihon no sanko tosho, revised edition* (Tokyo: Japan Library Association)
- 1966 Published *Guide to Japanese reference books* (Chicago: American Library Association)
- 1967 Published *Union catalog of books on Japan in Western languages* (Tokyo: International House of Japan)
- 1967 Published "*Nihon no sanko tosho*" *ni arawareta nenkanrui saimoku* (Tokyo: Japan Library Association)
- Mar. 1968 Published *A bibliography of translations, American literary works into Japanese 1868-1967* (Tokyo: Hara Shobo)
- Dec. 1968-Nov. 1969 East Asian Collection, University of Maryland (on leave of absence from International House of Japan)
- Feb. 28, 1970 Retired from International House of Japan
- Mar. 1, 1970- June 1, 1978 Librarian at the Asian Library, University Library, and Lecturer in Far Eastern Languages and Literatures, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, University of Michigan
- 1979 Published *Bibliography of reference works for Japanese studies* (Ann Arbor: Center for Japanese Studies, University of Michigan)
- 1980 Published *Survey of Japanese collections in the United States* (Ann Arbor: Center for Japanese Studies, University of Michigan)
- Sept. 1980-1983? Member, CEAL Task Force on Library Resources and Access
- May 1982 Received Award for Special Contribution at 90th Anniversary of Japan Library Association
- 1984 Published *Japanese history: a guide to survey histories, Pt. 1: By period = Nihon shi bunken kaidai* (Ann Arbor: Center for Japanese Studies, University of Michigan)
- 1984 Received The Order of the Precious Crown, Wistaria from Japanese Government
- 1986 Published *Japanese history: a guide to survey histories, Pt.2: Literature = Nihon bungakushi bunken kaidai* (Ann Arbor: Center for Japanese Studies, University of Michigan)
- Nov. 27, 2003 Moved from a condo in Waikiki to Jan's Hanai Care
- Aug. 12, 2007 Died of Heart Failure