

# Minidoka: An American Concentration Camp Resources

Minidoka National Historic Site  
[www.nps.gov/miin](http://www.nps.gov/miin)



Friends of Minidoka  
[www.minidoka.org](http://www.minidoka.org)

## VIDEO

### **Betrayed: Surviving an American Concentration Camp**

[www.betrayedfilm.com](http://www.betrayedfilm.com)

60-minute documentary on Minidoka

### **Educational Films and Lesson Plans**

[www.betrayedfilm.com/education](http://www.betrayedfilm.com/education)

- Power of the Press
- Power of Words
- Patriotism and Protest
- Standing Up for Others

### **Minidoka: An American Concentration Camp**

[go.nps.gov/minidokafilm](http://go.nps.gov/minidokafilm)

Minidoka National Historic Site Visitor Center Film

### **Bearing the Unbearable**

[go.nps.gov/minidokafilm](http://go.nps.gov/minidokafilm)

Bainbridge Island Japanese American Exclusion Memorial Park Film

## ACTIVITIES

### **Junior Ranger Program**

[go.nps.gov/minidokajranger](http://go.nps.gov/minidokajranger)

The Minidoka National Historic Site and Bainbridge Island Japanese American Exclusion Memorial Junior Ranger books contain many activities for children to engage with this history. Recommended for ages 6 – 12.

### **Field Trips to Minidoka National Historic Site**

Contact [miin\\_information@nps.gov](mailto:miin_information@nps.gov)

Park ranger guided tour of the historic buildings of Minidoka NHS.

## RESOURCES

### **The Minidoka Interlude**

[www.minidoka.org/shop](http://www.minidoka.org/shop)

Reproduction by Friends of Minidoka of the camp 1943 "yearbook" created by incarcerated.

### **Friends of Minidoka Speakers Bureau**

Contact [robyn@minidoka.org](mailto:robyn@minidoka.org)

Minidoka Survivors and Descendants available to zoom with classrooms.

### **Densho: The Japanese American Legacy Project**

[www.densho.org](http://www.densho.org)

Oral Histories, photographs, documents, encyclopedia.

### **Robert C. Sims Collection**

*Special Collections and Archives at Albertsons Library, Boise State University*

See photos and documents in person. Digital collection is anticipated to be available online at the end of the year.

### **Terminology and the Mass Incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II**

[go.nps.gov/terminologywwii](http://go.nps.gov/terminologywwii)

National Park Service resource on the usage of accurate terminology to describe the incarceration period.

## LITERATURE

### MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

#### **Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet**

*Jamie Ford*

Historical novel. Characters are of high school age. Takes place in Seattle and Minidoka

#### **No-No Boy**

*John Okada*

Historical novel. Tells the story of a Japanese American who refused to complete the loyalty questionnaire. Author was incarcerated at Minidoka.

#### **A Cold Wind from Idaho**

*Lawrence Matsuda*

Poetry. Author was incarcerated at Minidoka.

#### **Camp Notes and Other Writings**

*Mitsuye Yamada*

Poetry. Author was incarcerated at Minidoka. Yamada also authored *Camp Desert Run: Poems and Stories* and *Full Circle: New and Selected Poems*.

### GRAPHIC NOVELS

#### **They Called Us the Enemy**

*George Takei*

Author was incarcerated at Rohwer and Tule Lake.

#### **We Hereby Refuse**

*Frank Abe*

Tells the story of resisters during WWII.

#### **Those Who Helped Us**

*Ken Mochizuki and Kiku Hughes*

Story of allies. Takes place in Seattle and Minidoka.

#### **Fred Korematsu Speaks Up**

*Laura Atkins and Stan Yogi*

Tells the true story of Korematsu who defied the orders of forced removal and incarceration. Story is interwoven with historical content for context.

## CHILDREN'S BOOKS

#### **Love in the Library**

*Maggie Tokuda-Hall*

Tells the story of Tokuda-Hall's grandparents who met at the Minidoka library.

#### **Baseball Saved Us**

*Ken Mochizuki*

Story of baseball at Minidoka.

#### **Write to Me: Letters from Japanese American Children to the Librarian They Left Behind**

*Cynthia Grady*

Story of children and allies.

#### **The Bracelet by Yoshiko Uchida**

#### **Fish for Jimmy by Katie Yamasaki**

### NON-FICTION

#### **Images of America: Minidoka National Historic Site**

*Hanako Wakatsuki, Mia Russell, and Carol Ash*

#### **Looking After Minidoka**

*Neil Nakadate*

Memoir at Minidoka.

#### **Letters from the 442nd**

*Minoru Masuda*

#### **Serving Our Country**

*Brenda L. Moore*

Highlights Japanese American women serving in the US military during WWII.

#### **Imprisoned Apart**

*Louis Fiset*

Personal letters of incarcerated including from Minidoka.

#### **The Art of Gaman: Arts and Crafts from the Japanese American Internment Camps 1942-1946**

*Delphine Hirasuna*

#### **Kenjiro Nomura, American Modernist: An Issei Artist's Journey**

*Barbara Johns*