

**PROFILE**

- *Established Houston businessman with established record of community service.*
- *Married 37 years to Kathleen; son Robert, 26*

**SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

1998-Present

**PRESIDENT AND OWNER OF:**

- ***Tokyo Gardens Catering, LLC:***  
Manage and operate over 100 sushi bars at HEB locations
- ***Sushic, LLC:***  
Catering operation for hotels, sports venues such as Reliant Stadium, hospitals, schools
- ***Gondo Company, Inc.:***  
Provide Japanese food for Continental Airlines Houston to Tokyo  
Catering operation for hotels and corporate clients
- ***Gondo Consulting:***  
Negotiate and manage contracts with corporate clients  
Marketing and public affairs activities for Toshiba International Corporation  
Southern Daily Chinese News  
Richmond Printing  
Southwestern National Bank-Advisory Director
- ***Pacific Ventures:***  
Develop international trade
- ***Houston 8:***  
2004-Partner of 20 retail stores at Bush International Airport

1966-1998

**Tokyo Gardens Restaurant, Houston, Texas**

**GENERAL MANAGER**

- Held direct responsibility for all operations of a family-owned restaurant specializing in Japanese cuisine and service.
- Established new business providing Sushi Bars in grocery stores, staffing, organizing, and establishing quality policies/procedures, designing overall facilities.
- Organized catering, serving clientele across the U.S.: specialty sushi and traditional Japanese cuisine for as many as 1000 people for corporate and private functions.
- Provided services to other restaurants, hotels, and airlines.
- Developed and managed community service activities.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

2010-Present Chao Center for Asian Studies: Board Member  
 2000-Present Greater Houston Partnership: Board Member  
 1993-Present Greater Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau: Board member, Vice-Chair  
 2008 Gulf Coast Ike Relief Fund Advisory Board: Board Member  
 2008 Rice University: Asian Studies Board Member  
 2007-2010 United Way: Board Member  
 2007-2008 Alley Theatre: Board Member  
 2007 Mayor's International Affairs & Development Council: Chairman  
 2006 Mayor's International Affairs & Development Council: Chairman-Elect  
 2006 Japan America Society: President  
 2005 Japan America Society: President Elect  
 2004 Asia Society: Asia House Board Member and Co-Chair of Capital Campaign  
 2002-Present World Trade Organization: Board Member  
 2001-2002 United Way: Asian Pacific Campaign Chairman (raised \$220,000)  
 1999 Mayor Lee P. Brown: Arranged trade meetings in Japan with Toshiba International Corporation, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, and government officials (CHIBA);  
Mayoral Advisory Committee for Asian Affairs  
 1998-Present Greater Gulf Coast United Way: Advisor, Asian Pacific Campaign  
 1998-Present Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson: Asian-American Advisory Committee  
 1998-Present Southwestern National Bank: Advisory Director  
 1998-Present KUHT-TV (Channel 8 Public Television): Fund-raising Committee

1998-Present Asian Chamber of Commerce: Board member, Vice-President 1999  
 Current Texas Asian-American Republican Caucus: Advisor  
 2000 Houston Challenge 2000: Steering Committee  
 1996 Japanese American Citizens League: Vice-President  
Miller Theatre: Advisory Board, Mayoral Appointment  
Central Houston Inc.: Committees  
 1995-Present Japan Festival: Founder, active participant in various roles  
 1993-Present Asia Society: Board of Directors  
 1992-Present Japan America Society of Houston: Past President, current Board Member  
 1987-Present Japan Business Association  
 1968-Present

Past:  
 1996-97 United Way: Campaign Asian Pacific Campaign Chairman (responsible for raising \$158,000, breaking all records for the division)  
 1996 Houston Restaurant Association  
Dole for President: Campaign Endorser  
United Way: Japanese Division Campaign Chair: raised \$38K, highest contributions in history of the Division  
Harris County Host Committee: George W. Bush for Governor Campaign  
 1991-93 Family Service Center: Board Member  
 1992 Asian American Coalition: President  
Asian Americans for Mayor Lanier Campaign: Co-Chair  
Mayor Bob Lanier: Mayor's Transition Team  
Nikkeijin Program Candidate: Promote relationships between the U.S. and Japan  
Republican National Convention: Distinguished Visitors Committee  
 1991 Houston International Festival: Business Council  
 1990 Texas Asian Republican Caucus: Chairman  
Asian Americans for Robert Mombacher for Lieutenant Governor: Chairman  
Houston Clean-Up: Advisory Committee  
Houston Economic Summit: Host Committee  
 1989 Asian Americans for Fred Hoffenz for Mayor: Chairman  
Asian Americans for the Reelection of Phil Gramm for Senator: Co-Chair  
 1988 Japanese American Citizens League: Vice-President

1987 *Asian Americans for Bush/Quayle in Texas:* Co-Chair  
1986 *Japanese Americans for Bill Clements for Governor of Texas*

**AWARDS AND HONORS**

2008 *JASH Japanese Garden Reception:* Honorary Award  
2007 *Asia Houston Network:* Community Leadership Award  
2005 *Asian Chamber of Commerce:* Entrepreneur of the Year  
2005 *Asian/Pacific American Heritage Association:* 2005 Heritage Award for Community Service  
2001 *Japan's Minister of Foreign Affairs, Commendation* for outstanding commitment to promoting mutual understanding between Japan and the United States  
2000 *METRO's Annual Asian-American Heritage Month:* Outstanding Asian American Leader  
2000 *The Asia Society:* First Annual Asian American Leadership Award  
1999 *Harris County Sheriff's Department:* Advisor  
1999 *Minority Business News Houston:* 1999 Outstanding Men of Minority Business Enterprise  
1996 *Asian Chamber of Commerce:* Asian American Entrepreneurs Award  
1996 *KHOU-TV May "Making History Today" Asian Pacific Heritage Month:* Outstanding Asian American  
1992 *Asian American Heritage Month:* Outstanding Asian American

**EDUCATION**

1967-68 *North Texas State University,* Denton, Texas  
Majored in Economics toward Bachelor of Business Administration degree