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SDSU Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA) Center



Read all about it!!!

Check your email! Newsletter #8 is out!

If you didn't get it, don't miss out -

Join the APIDA Center contact list: <https://bit.ly/SDSUAPIDA>



Location:

2nd floor of Aztec Student Union
Rooms #210A-K (Directly above Starbucks)

Hours:
Mon-Thurs 10am-8pm
Friday 10am-4:30pm

Connect with us!



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Director's Message from Dr. Loh-Hagan

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PACIFIC ARTS
MOVEMENT



SDSU APIDA CENTER x PacArts/San Diego Asian Film Festival

October 28 to November 6

The SDSU APIDA Center is proud to support SDAFF!

This year, we encourage folks to attend SDAFF's Fil-Am Movie Night on Oct 29th at 4pm. The movie is a free offering from SDAFF. Learn more here: <https://sdaff.org/2021/movies/lumpia/>

PLUS - See any SDAFF film with our Special Partner Discount Code! Use online code "SDSUAPIDA" for \$2 off all films!

Support APIDA representation!

This semester, we launched the A-LIST (APIDA Leadership, Identity, Scholarship, & Togetherness) University Seminar and A-LIST [Residential Learning Community](#). We have addressed many APIDA topics including anti-Asian hate, Model Minority theory, Asian American history, APIDA help-seeking behaviors, and more. Recently, we discussed APIDA representation.

Ari Barton is a first-year A-LIST student. She said, "I thought it was interesting how you brought up how representation matters both to members of the APIDA community as well as those who are not. I still struggle finding reasons why representation in the media matters to me personally, and I think it was because I pushed off confronting this part of me until this year. I see how much representation affects me now as a young adult because it helps me recover from the insecurities I used to battle with when I was a kid. Knowing how proud I feel whenever I see big-name brands and companies as an adult, I can only imagine how happy APIDA children must feel when they see a part of themselves on the big-screen. By being able to find my voice and speak up for my community, I know that I can help dismantle these harmful stereotypes and misrepresentation so my future children won't have to feel insecure." I'm so proud of Ari and other students who are striving to learn more about their identities. We are doing the work, y'all!

On the topic of APIDA representation, did you know that we have not one, but two, film festivals in San Diego that support APIDA representation? We are so lucky! The [San Diego Filipino Film Festival](#) debuted this year. It ran from October 14-19. Keep up with [San Diego Filipino Cinema](#) so that you don't miss out on future events. The 22nd annual [San Diego Asian Film Festival](#) (SDAFF) will take place from October 28 - November 6. All APIDA Center folks can get \$2 off all [festival films](#). The code is SDSUAPIDA. The APIDA Center is closely connected to SDAFF. Our coordinator, [Kathleen Dang](#), used to work there and Dr. [Brian Hu](#), Associate Professor in Theater, Film, and New Media, is the Artistic Director at SDAFF. Go to the movies with the APIDA Center and support APIDA representation!

APIDA Center Highlights: News to Know!



APIDA Center just finished our third week of FAHM!

On October 16th, we hosted our third Saturday School session. We learned how to say basic words to use on a date! Because dancing is a great date night activity, we also learned how to do the tinikling. There is one Saturday left - Join us on October 23 from 1-3pm at the APIDA Center and learn how to curse (PG version) in Tagalog. Check out our [flyer!](#) RSVP here: <https://bit.ly/FAHMSatSchool2021>

On October 19th, we hosted the inaugural Dr. [Rey Monzon](#) Data Lecture. Dr. Monzon passed away in January 2021. We are still feeling his loss. The APIDA Center is committing to support his work and memory by honoring him every FAHM with a data lecture series. This year, we invited RJ Taggweg, a PhD candidate at UC Davis and the Director of Research at the [Bulosan Center for Filipino Studies](#). He talked about the use of a community-based participatory approach to mixed-methods research praxis and how kuwentuhans, or talk-story, can be used as a method of recruitment, research, organizing, and advocacy that acknowledges and prioritizes the needs of the Filipinx community.

On October 21st, we hosted a cultural education program to learn more about Pedro Flores, who helped popularized the yo-yo in the United States. We also made our own yo-yo's and learned about the science of yo-yo-ing.

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One SDSU x SDSU APIDA Center x APSA

Night Market

Thursday, October 28 from 3-8pm

Location: Aztec Student Union Courtyard

FOOD * PERFORMANCES * FUN



Get ready for Night Market!

On Thursday, October 28th from 3-8pm in the Student Union courtyard, [One SDSU](#) and [APIDA Center](#) are teaming up with [APSA](#) to bring an incredible [Night Market](#) experience to SDSU. This will be a great way to be together as one united SDSU community and culminate our Filipinx American History Month celebration. For APSA, this will be their 8th year hosting a night market. Several student organizations will be selling super yummy foods: [Asian Pacific Student Alliance](#), [AB Samahan](#), [Japanese Student Association](#), [Korean American Student Association](#), [Pacific Islander Student Association](#), and [Vietnamese Student Association](#). Do you want to know what they're making? Well, you have to come to Night Market and find out! In addition, APSA has organized an amazing line-up of student performances.

One SDSU and APIDA Center will be giving away Asian snacks (while supplies last). Come for the food and for the fun!!!

APIDA Flex Alerts

- [Associated Students](#) has been featuring Filipinx students for FAHM. On October 20th, they highlighted [Kaelan Ganzon](#). Kaelan gave a shout-out to the APIDA Center. He said, "I've always been proud of my heritage. Since becoming part of the APIDA Center, A.S., and interacting with my peers, I've grown to celebrate it more. This month is more of a reminder for me to think about those relationships and continue to foster them."
- [SDSU Alumni Association](#) is highlighting Filipinx alumni for FAHM. On October 21, they amplified [Jessica Mercado](#), who was Dr. Loh-Hagan's former student! Read her post to learn what "panlipunang gampanin" means!
- SDSU will soon be home to a chapter of the [Asian American Journalists Association](#). The Board members are as follows: [Catlan Nguyen](#) (President), [Brittany Cruz-Fejeran](#) (Vice President), [Jayne Yutig](#) (Treasurer), [Alex Lai](#) (Secretary), and [Emily Forschen](#) (Social Outreach Director). Faculty Advisors are Dr. **Temple Northrup** and Dr. **Loh-Hagan**. The students were inspired after attending an AAJA San Diego Chapter mixer. Brittany said, "I felt really inspired by seeing people a part of the AAPI community in journalism which is why I said yes right away when Catlan suggested it to me! It's recently been very important to see more representation in journalism so it means a lot to start up this chapter again."
- [Sarah Hoang](#) is not only the A.S. Representative for the College of Health and Human Services Council, but she is also the [Volunteer Coordinator](#) for [Aztecs Rock Hunger](#). She said, "Aztecs Rock Hunger is a campaign that directly affects the communities I serve on campus and I want to further be a part of helping and connecting our campus to something so great! I grew up utilizing my local food bank and have then since strived to fight food insecurity and be an advocate for those who need it most."
- Dr. **Koko Nishi**, a licensed psychologist in Counseling and Psychological Services, was recently awarded the [Asian American Psychological Association](#) (AAPA) Early Career Award for Distinguished Contribution to Service. She was recognized at the AAPA Convention in early October 2021.
- Dr. [Brian Hu](#) was featured in the [San Diego Union-Tribune](#). He was a guest on the [Name Drop San Diego](#) podcast (episode 76). In this episode, he discusses predicting movie endings, what he's cooking, and the best advice he's ever gotten.

We want to celebrate you!

Do you or someone you know from the SDSU APIDA community have a flex to share?

Email us at apida@sdsu.edu.

Upcoming APIDA Center Events

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APIDA Center Support Spaces
 Location: APIDA Center Conference Room
 Fall 2021 beginning September 20

MON	TUE	WED	THUR
1pm - 2pm Mindful Monday Get organized and plan your week!	1pm - 2pm Taboo Tuesday Let's talk about tough topics!	1pm - 2pm Wind Down Wednesday Practice self-care!	1pm - 2pm Family Talk Thursday Let's talk about family struggles!
		2pm - 4pm APIDA Homeroom Let's study together! Get academic support!	2pm - 4pm APIDA Homeroom Let's study together! Get academic support!

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Location: APIDA Center Conference Room
 Fall 2021 beginning September 20
 Mondays through Thursdays from 1-2pm

- **Mindful Monday** - Get yourself ready for the week!
- **Taboo Tuesday** - Let's discuss health, dating, and more!
- **Wind Down Wednesday** - Self-care is for everyone!
- **Family Talk Thursday** - Let's navigate family struggles together!

APIDA Homeroom on Wednesdays & Thursdays from 2-4pm - Be productive, share study tips, and receive coaching on your current projects and assignments. We can also connect you with the resources you need for academic success!

Saturday School Tagalog Edition

Location: APIDA Center Conference Room
 October 23 from 1-3pm
 Come to our last Saturday School: Tagalog Edition. Learn basic expletives and play a children's game! RSVP recommended here: <https://bit.ly/FAHMSatSchool2021>

Pinoy Pop (P-Pop) Lecture & Film Screening

Zoom: [Zoom Link](#)
 October 26 from 2-3pm
 To prepare for "Fan Girl," come learn about Pinoy Pop (or P-Pop).

Film Screening: Registration
 October 27 from 6:30-9pm
 LARC is sponsoring a film screening of "Fan Girl," a Filipino movie about what happens when a fan girl **MIKU AND THE GODS - Play & Panel Discussion**

Zoom: [Zoom Registration](#)
 October 26 from 4:30-6pm
 Attend this FREE panel discussion about APIDA representation. Dr. Loh-Hagan is one of the panelists. In addition, go see "Miku and the Gods" at the Don Powell Stage (here at SDSU) from Oct 29th-Nov 5th.

JEDI Discussion Circle for Filipino American History Month

Zoom: [Zoom Registration](#)
 October 27 from 3-4pm
 Read the texts and join the discussion!

- Why is it called Filipino American History Month? (video)
- Celebrate Filipino American History Month
- Why are Filipino Americans still forgotten and invisible?
- The perpetual foreigner: What it's like to be Filipino American in a time of hate.

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Filipinx American History Month - October 2021
SATURDAY SCHOOL - TAGALOG EDITION
 Learn about the Filipino language and culture with us! Three sessions left! Attend one or all of the sessions!

October 9 Basic Travel Language Role of Religion in Filipino Homes Let's Make Parols!	October 16 Basic Love Language History of a Filipino Dance Let's Dance!
October 23 Basic Expletives History of a Filipino Game Let's Play!	About Our Instructor Paolo is a Swiss Filipino American who grew up in between all 3 countries, he is an SDSU alum who works in education in San Diego. He is fluent in Tagalog, English and German.

Time: October 9, 16, and 23 from 1-3 PM
 RSVP Link: <https://bit.ly/FAHMSatSchool2021>
 Location: APIDA Center

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Pinoy Pop (or P-pop)
 Tues, Oct 26 from 2-3pm

To prepare for "Fan Girl," come learn about and talk about Pinoy Pop (or P-pop).

Zoom Link: <https://sdsu.zoom.us/j/9vohhagan>

"Fan Girl" Film Screening
 Wed, Oct 27 from 6:30-9:00pm

LARC is sponsoring a film screening of "Fan Girl," a Filipino movie about what happens when a fan girl finally meets her idol.

To register for zoom link, visit this page: <https://larc.sdsu.edu/fun/>

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Discovery Series
 PANEL DISCUSSION

MIKU AND THE GODS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26
 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

INSPIRED BY THE SDSU PRODUCTION OF MIKU, AND THE GODS, THIS PANEL EXPLORES THE THEMES OF FRIENDSHIP, DEATH, AND POWER AS THEY RELATE TO ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER DESI AMERICAN (APIDA) REPRESENTATION.

PANELISTS:
 Julia Izumi Playwright
 Dr. Anh Hua Department of Women's Studies
 Dr. Virginia Loh-Hagan SDSU APIDA Center
 Peter James Cirino School of Theatre, Television, and Film

REGISTER HERE

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FILIPINX AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

- Why is it called Filipino American History Month? (video) - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4W87872>
- Why We Celebrate Filipino American History Month - <https://www.filipinx.com/en/why-we-celebrate-filipino-american-history-month>
- Why are Filipino Americans still forgotten and invisible? - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4W87872>
- The perpetual foreigner: What it's like to be Filipino American in a time of hate. - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4W87872>

Wednesday, October 27 from 3:00-4:00pm
 RSVP here for Zoom Link: bit.ly/OctAPIDAxCIE

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Fil-Am Movie Night at SDAFF

Friday, October 29 at 4pm
 Location: Ultra Star Theaters

SDAFF will be showing a special Fil-Am movie on Friday, Oct 29th at 4pm. (It will be announced soon!) Meet the APIDA Center at the movies!

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 Join the SDSU APIDA Center for our

Sewing Squad Sew-cials!

Every other Monday starting October 18th @ 4pm in the APIDA Center*

October 18th
 November 1st, 15th, 29th
 December 13th

Supplies are provided!
 Make face masks and more with us!

Meet new friends! Learn new skills! Have fun!

*The APIDA Center is located on the 2nd Floor of the Student Union, directly above Starbucks. Enter Student Life and Leadership office and make a right.

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APIDA Center Support Spaces

MINDFUL MONDAY
 Graduate Students Edition
 November 1 from 2-3pm

This session is specifically designed for graduate students. We will focus on digital mindfulness which includes ways to use tech more mindfully and ways to avoid digital distractions so that you can get your coursework and theses done!

LOCATION: APIDA Center Conference Room
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APIDA Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars x SDSU APIDA Center

Virtual Fall Symposium

THEME: LEARNING FROM THE LAND
 Mon, Nov 15, 2021 from 10am-2pm PST
 Zoom Registration: <https://bit.ly/PBDAPIAFallSymposium>

Agenda

- Welcome: from Phi Beta Delta
- 10am - Farming As Activism: Mai Nguyen, Farmer Activist
- 11am - Native Knowledge Now: Mark Alapaki Luke, Professor at Honolulu Community College
- 12pm - Fire is Medicine: Margo Robbins, Executive Director of Cultural Fire Management Council
- 1pm - Book Club Discussion of BRAIDING SWEETGRASS by Robin Wall Kimmerer

Mai Nguyen 10am Speaker
 Mark Alapaki Luke 11am Speaker
 Margo Robbins 12pm Speaker
 Dr. Virginia Loh-Hagan Moderator

CONTACT: Dr. Virginia Loh-Hagan, Director of the SDSU APIDA Center and President-Elect of Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars at loh-hagan@sdsu.edu

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Fall 2021 Holiday Schedule

Veterans Day
 Thurs, Nov 11: CLOSED

Thanksgiving Recess
 Mon, Nov 22: 10-8pm
 Tues, Nov 23: 10-8pm
 Wed, Nov 24: 10:00-4:30pm
 Thurs, Nov 25 + Fri, Nov 26: CLOSED

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Location: UltraStar Theaters Mission Valley
 October 29 at 4pm
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Sewing Squad Sew-cials!

Location: APIDA Center
 Nov 1, 15, 29 & Dec 13 starting at 4pm
 Join the SDSU APIDA Center for our Sewing Squad Sew-cials! Supplies are provided. Make face masks and more.

Mindful Monday: Graduate Edition

Location: APIDA Center
 November 1 from 2-3pm
 In partnership with the Office of Graduate Life and Diversity, this session is specifically designed for graduate students. We will focus on digital mindfulness which includes ways to use tech more mindfully and ways to avoid digital distractions so that you can get your coursework and theses done!

Phi Beta Delta x APIDA Center Virtual Fall Symposium

Zoom: [Zoom Registration](#)
 November 15 from 10-2pm
 Please join us as we kick off International Education Week. Phi Beta Delta (in partnership with the SDSU APIDA Center) is hosting a FREE Virtual Fall Symposium. The theme is "Learning From the Land." All are welcome!

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We hope everyone enjoys the time off with your friends and family.

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Opportunities

- Upcoming [Aztec Student Union](#) events this October:
 - Football viewing party (SDSU vs Air Force Academy) on October 23 at Aztec Lanes. Doors open at 3:30pm. Free bowling.
 - Monday Night Movie screening of "Step Brothers" on October 25 at 6:30pm at Student Union Theatre.
- Korea Day at Balboa Park will take place on Saturday, October 23 from 3-8pm at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion. More information [here](#).
- The [Center for Intercultural Relations \(CIR\)](#) and [Undocumented Resource Center \(URC\)](#) are hosting an online [National Immigrants Day Celebration](#) on Tuesday, October 26, from 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm. This virtual event will feature a panel of SDSU students who will share their cultural traditions, experiences in the U.S., and educational journeys. Please RSVP [here](#).
- The Culturally Connected Research Hub is having an information session on the benefits of undergraduate research. This session is geared toward first generation and underrepresented students with no prior exposure to research. Join the zoom session on October 27 at 3pm. Meeting ID: 897 1291 4291.
- The [CIR](#), [SDSU Muslim Student Association](#), and [One Message Foundation](#) is hosting [Islam's Contribution to Humanity](#) on Thursday, October 28 from 6:45pm - 9:00pm in Park Boulevard. Learn about the spectacular advances that Muslims have contributed to in a wide spectrum of subjects. The purpose of this event is to broaden the SDSU community's understanding of Islam and foster inclusion for Muslim students.
- Aztec Nights and Arts Alive are hosting Art After Dark, a late-night arts festival and competition featuring SDSU student art in all forms. The event is on Friday, November 19 from 10-2am on North Library Walkway. There will be performances, artist gallery, interactive art make-and-take stations, student org tabling, free food, opportunity drawings, giveaways, and more! They're looking for soloists and/or groups to submit participate. The submission form can be found [here](#). Deadline for entry is Sunday, October 31.
- The Graduate Program Fair will be on November 9 at Scripps Cottage from 12-4pm. Contact [Dr. Sweta Sarkar](#) or [Trent Moca](#) for more information.
- There is a job opening for a Student Assistant in the IT Network and Infrastructure department. They are looking for students who have an interest in computer networking and IT. See the job posting and description [here](#).

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<http://philanthropy.sdsu.edu/APIDA>

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