

# DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS AND CAMPUS DIVERSITY

## SDSU Office of AANAPISI Affairs & APIDA Center



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



### Hours:

**Mon-Thurs 10:00-8:00pm**

**Fridays 10:00-4:30pm**

**Location: 2nd floor of Student Union**

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**connect with us!**

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# SDSU Office of AANAPISI Affairs & APIDA Center Executive Director's Message


December 6, 2024



## From Dr. Loh-Hagan: 'Tis the Season!

It's that time - Finals season, holiday party season, and more! I was thrilled to attend the College of Education holiday party this week and reconnected with some of my former colleagues! Always ISO holiday cheer, joy, and love!

The APIDA Center is getting ready for [Finals](#) next week (December 12-18). We will be hosting Quiet Study Hall, Quiet Reading Time, [Finals Fun](#), and our new initiative [Craft for a Cause](#)! All through finals week and winter break, we will have stations set up with instructions and supplies for folks to make hats, scarves, and/or blankets. We have options for all levels - loom (easy), crocheting, and knitting. Open to faculty, staff, and students. Let's craft for a cause! We will be making products to support community organizations such as the [Karen Organization of San Diego](#), a nonprofit that supports refugees from Burma.




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**Fall 2024 Semester - Important Dates**  
**December 11: Last Day of Classes**  
**December 12-18: Final Exams**

**APIDA Center Finals Week**

**During Finals Week (Dec 12-18), the APIDA Center will be hosting:**

- Quiet Study Hall from 10-5pm
- Quiet Reading Time from 10-5pm
- Finals Fun Activities from 5-8pm
- Craft for a Cause from 10-8pm





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**Come to the APIDA Center for all your end-of-the-semester needs!**

Need a silent place to study? Come to our **QUIET ROOM**. First come, First served!

Need to de-stress? Hang in our **LOUNGE** and participate in our **FINALS FUN** activities from 5-8pm. Or, drop everything and read from 10-5pm and get free **ONE BOOK** books! Or, participate in our **CRAFTING FOR A CAUSE** activities from 10-8pm!

Need a place to meet as a study group? Reserve our **CONFERENCE ROOM**. Sign up at the APIDA Center. (3-10 people)

**Need SNACKS or SUPPLIES?** We will be hosting quiet **STUDY HALL** hours at the APIDA Center during Finals Week from 10-5pm. All participants can get snacks or supplies while supplies last.

Need **ADVISING**? Make an appt via EAB.

Need a computer? Use our **WORK ROOM**. We have high-performing MAC work stations. First come, First served!



# Donate to the APIDA Center!



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SDSU APIDA Center is excited to launch a new initiative:

## Craft for a Cause

**Where: APIDA Center**  
**When: Dec 12-18 from 10-8pm**  
**& all through winter break!**



Help keep our community warm this winter!  
Make hats, scarves, or blankets with us!  
We will donate our hand/heart-made crafts to local community groups in need.

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## Donate Yarn!

For our community service project, we are actively collecting yarn - lots and lots of it, all types! Clean out your crafting corners and give us your unused yarn. Or, make a run to a craft store and go pack your carts. Or, donate to our program fund! (Fun Fact: China and India are the world's largest cotton producers. They provide most of the fiber and raw materials for the world's yarn industry.)

The end of the year is coming up. If you need to donate money for tax reasons or just because you're feeling generous, the APIDA Center is happy to take your money! That stated, there are different ways to support us:

- Donate to our program fund! Every contribution (big and small) supports our mission to nurture APIDA students' academic success and to amplify the voice and visibility of the SDSU APIDA community.
- Create scholarships for students.
- Contribute to our travel fund to enable us to support our place-based learning initiatives. (Our trips cost a lot of money. Help us fund these impactful experiences for our students.)
- Donate your time! Let us know if you have a special talent to lead a workshop or if can mentor a student.
- Donate items such as: yarn, denim, puzzles, Asian American books, tea, etc.
- Send us a positive affirmation and let us know about the impact we are making.

# Know APIDA History!



## APIDA Center learns about karaoke in San Diego!

On Thursday, December 5th, the APIDA Center hosted another [Club Karaoke](#)! There was singing, dancing, and lots of silly antics. Our students are so much fun.

[Karaoke](#) was invented by Japanese businessman Daisuke Inoue (born 1940). He created the the first karaoke machine, known as the "8-Juke," in 1971 in Kobe, Japan. Karaoke's massive success in Japan eventually led to its global spread. Karaoke made its way to the United States in the early 1980s. In 1982, businessman Sal Ferraro (1931-2022) opened "Dimples" in Burbank, California - the first karaoke bar in the United States. (Dimples closed in 2015; it was pushed out to make room for condos and a Whole Foods.)

In San Diego, the popularity of karaoke was on the rise in the 1990s. One of the oldest American karaoke bars in San Diego is The Lamplighter, located in Mission Hills. The dive bar opened in 1957 and established its nightly karaoke events in the early 1990s. Similar to many American karaoke bars, customers at The Lamplighter typically sign up for a waitlist, share one karaoke machine, and sing in front of large crowds. (American karaoke involves performing in public spaces with large crowds.)

In 1996, Jin Music Studio was established by a South Korean immigrant couple in what is now the Convoy Asian Cultural District. It became the first Asian karaoke business in San Diego. (Asian karaoke involves singing in front of a small group or in a private room.)

Today, there are many karaoke businesses in San Diego. In February 2024, The Gaslamplighter, in San Diego's Gaslamp Quarter, became the county's newest karaoke bar. And of course, there's the APIDA Center's Club Karaoke!



# APIDA Center Highlights: News to Know!



## APIDA Center hosts Dr. Grace M. Cho!

On Monday, December 2nd, the APIDA Center hosted [Dr. Grace M. Cho](#), author of [\*Tastes Like War\*](#), which was a 2021 National Book Award Finalist. We were so lucky to host her at SDSU. Over 80 people showed up and heard her read from her book and share her personal histories. She also graciously answered audience questions. Many thanks to [One SDSU](#) for helping with the event funding and to the [Charles Wei-hsun Fu Center for Asian & Pacific Studies](#) for funding dinner and to Dr. **Stephen Suh** for requesting her.





## APIDA Center watches "Moana 2"!

On Tuesday, December 3rd, the APIDA Center hosted a [field trip](#) to see "Moana 2." This animated Disney film takes place 3000 years ago in the Polynesian islands (i.e., Hawaii, Tonga, and Tahiti). (Although students seem to enjoy the first "Moana" movie more, they still recommend watching it!)



## APIDA Center hosts Tien Len!

On Thursday, December 5th, the APIDA Center collaborated with the [Vietnamese Student Association](#) to host [Tien Len](#), a Vietnamese card game. In the United States, it is also called Viet Cong, VC, Thirteen, Killer, or 2's. Students learned about the historical and cultural significance of the game and then played it.



# Upcoming APIDA Center Events

## Student-Led Workshop: Hawaiian Pidgin

**Location:** APIDA Center

**Date:** Monday, December 9 from 2-3pm

Learn about the history of Hawaiian Pidgin, an English-based creole language. Then, learn some commonly used phrases. Workshop led by **Grace Academia, Olivia Ernst,** and **Jianna Tablit!**

## Student-Led Workshop: History of Resistance: APIDA & Native American Solidarity

**Location:** APIDA Center

**Date:** Monday, December 9 from 4-5pm

In honor of National Native American Heritage Month which was in November, learn about historical examples of APIDA and Native American solidarity. Workshop led by **Marlena Ngim.**

## Student-Led Workshop: APIDA & Collectibles Culture: An Interdisciplinary Exploration

**Location:** APIDA Center

**Date:** Monday, December 9 from 5-6pm

Learn about collectible culture, its origins in Asia, and its global popularity. Explore historical, scientific, sociological, and cultural perspectives. Then, decorate your own toploaders! Workshop led by **Nora Pham.**

## Cultural Crafting Night: Mongolian Felt Craft

**Location:** APIDA Center

**Date:** Monday, December 9 from 6-8pm

'Tis the season to make holiday ornaments with the APIDA Center. Learn about Mongolia and Mongolian textile arts with us and then make some felt craft ornaments!

## APIDA in Hip Hop Scholar Webinar: Filipino and Black Shared Resistance in Music

**Location:** Zoom ([Register to join!](#))

**Date:** Wednesday, December 11 from 4-5pm

Dr. Melvin Villaver, Jr., will present his research about the shared resistance of Filipino and Black Americans in music from the Blues through Hip Hop.

## Holiday Cards & Bookmarks

**Location:** APIDA Center

**Date:** Wednesday, December 11 from 5-6pm

The APIDA Center is thrilled to partner with [@aposdsu](#)! We are making holiday cards and bookmarks to accompany book donations to the [Karen Organization of San Diego](#), a local nonprofit supporting refugees from Burma.

## Journaling & Calligraphy

**Location:** APIDA Center

**Date:** Wednesday, December 11 from 6-8pm

Get a free journal! Learn about the benefits of journaling and then make beautiful journals with **Jacqueline Toy**, Associate Director of The Weber Honors College and small business owner of [@morethanlettering](#).

## Quiet Study Hall and Quiet Reading Time

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**Date:** December 12-18 from 10-5pm

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## Craft for a Cause

**Location:** APIDA Center

**Date:** December 12-18 from 10-8pm and all through winter break

Crochet, knit, and loom hats, scarves, blankets, etc. with us. We will donate our hand/heart-made goods to local communities in need! Come to the APIDA Center and craft away. Instructions and supplies will be provided. Help keep our community warm this winter!

## APIDA in Hip Hop Scholar Webinar: Asian Americans in Hip Hop and Movement

**Location:** Zoom ([Register to join!](#))

**Date:** Thursday, December 12 from 4-5pm

Dr. grace jun will share her expertise on Asian American history, representation, and activism through hip hop and movement. She will discuss the importance of building solidarity through dance and hip hop.

## Finals Fun: Design Tote Bags

**Location:** APIDA Center

**Date:** Thursday, December 12 from 5-8pm

Come de-stress with us by designing your own tote bag!

## Finals Fun: Make Stickers and Color Anime

**Location:** APIDA Center

**Date:** Monday, December 16 from 5-8pm

Take a break from studying and make stickers and color anime books!

## Finals Fun: Play Games

**Location:** APIDA Center

**Date:** Tuesday, December 17 from 5-8pm

All study and no play makes students cranky. Find time to play games with us!

## Finals Fun: Watch TV

**Location:** APIDA Center

**Date:** Wednesday, December 18 from 5-8pm

This will be the last day before winter break. Come watch TV with us!

# Opportunities & Events

## APIDA Student Organizations:

- [Asian Pacific Student Alliance \(APSA\)](#) is hosting their annual [Kinda Sorta Formal \(KSF\)](#) on Sat, Dec 7th from 5-9pm in the Parma Payne Goodwill Alumni Center.
- [Tabletop Gaming Club at SDSU](#) is hosting their last [Tabletop RPG session](#) of the semester on Sat, Dec 7th at 12:30pm in SSW 2650. They're also hosting their last [game session](#) on Tues, Dec 10th at 5:30pm in SSW 2500.
- [Japanese Student Association \(JSA\)](#) is hosting a "Home Alone" movie screening on Mon, Dec 9th from 3:00-4:30pm in Pride Suite.
- [SDSU Badminton Club](#) is hosting a [Study Social](#) in the Love Library Third Floor from 5:00-8:30pm, followed by a Team Dinner at 9pm at Kogi Korean BBQ on Tues, Dec 10th.
- [Pacific Islander Student Association \(PISA\)](#) is accepting applications for [Mid-Year Elections](#). [Apply](#) by Fri, Dec 13th.

## Community Center Partners:

- [Center for Intercultural Relations \(CIR\)](#) is hosting [Relax & Refuel Stations](#) from Dec 9-13 from 12-4pm.
- The [Pride Center](#) and [Women's Resource Center \(WRC\)](#) are hosting a [Queer Femme Healing Circle](#) on Mon, Dec 9th from 3:30-4:30pm.

## Campus Partners:

- [Aztec Student Union](#) is hosting [Relaxation Resort](#) on Mon, Dec 9th from 11-1pm in the Student Union Courtyard.
- [Basic Needs Center](#) is providing CalFresh and Medi-Cal Enrollment Assistance on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-3pm. The next session will be on Tues, Dec 10th.
- The [University Library](#) is hosting a [Sustainable Gift-Wrapping Workshop](#) on Tues, Dec 10th from 2-3pm in LL 430.
- [Bayanihan ERG](#) is hosting a [Parol Workshop](#) on Wed, Dec 11th from 12-1pm at SSW 2537.
- [Aztec Nights](#) is hosting [Winter Wonderland](#) on Wed, Dec 11th from 9pm-1am in Montezuma Hall.
- Struggling with basic needs? Need resources? Connect with [Economic Crisis Response Team](#).

## Community Partners:

- PASACAT Philippine Performing Arts is hosting their [28th Annual Parol Lantern Festival](#) on Sat, Dec 7th from 2-6pm in the East Lake High School gymnasium. [Buy tickets](#) today!
- The Japanese American Citizens League San Diego Chapter is hosting their next [Monthly Dialogue](#) featuring Ada Shido on Thurs, Dec 12th at 6:30pm. [RSVP](#) to get Zoom link.
- The Asian American Education Project offers free APIDA resources on their [website](#) and [Instagram](#). Their next workshop is titled, "Filipino and Black Shared Resistance: From the Blues Through Hip Hop" presented by Dr. Melvin Villaver, Jr. on Wed, Dec 11th from 4-5pm. [Register](#) today!



# Paid Internships & Scholarships

## Paid Internships:

- **NEW!** The Bumble Bee Seafood Company is looking for a Logistics Analyst Intern. [Apply](#) today!
- **NEW!** Clean Harbors is looking for a full-time Environmental Field Chemist Intern for Summer 2025. [Apply](#) today!
- **NEW!** Teradata is looking for a Product Content Design Intern for Summer 2025. [Apply](#) today!

## Scholarships:

- The Medical Scrubs Collection is offering \$1,000 to students pursuing a career as a medical professional. [Apply](#) by Dec. 15th.
- Science Ambassador Scholarship Foundation is offering up to \$20,000 to five undergraduate women and non-binary students in science, technology, engineering, or math majors. [Apply](#) by Dec. 16th.
- The Gen and Kelly Tanabe Scholarship program is accepting applications, offering funding for undergraduate and graduate students. [Apply](#) by Dec 31st.
- **NEW!** The American Association for the Advancement of Science is accepting applications for their Mass Media Science and Engineering fellowship. [Apply](#) by Jan. 1st.
- **NEW!** APIA Scholars is offering scholarships to Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) students. [Apply](#) by Jan. 15th.
- **NEW!** Association for Women Geoscientists is accepting applications for the Jane Cullen Tanaka Geosciences Undergraduate Scholarship. [Apply](#) by Jan. 15th.
- The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is accepting applications for the 2025 Ernest F. Hollings Undergraduate Scholarship and Jose E. Serrano Education Partnership Program with Minority Serving Institution (EPP/MSI) Scholarship. [Apply](#) by Jan 31st, 2025.