

# DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS AND CAMPUS DIVERSITY

## SDSU Office of AANAPISI Affairs & APIDA Center



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**Hours:**

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

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

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

February 14, 2025



## From Dr. Loh-Hagan: Take care of yourself!

College presents many challenges. Know that you are not alone and that you have access to campus resources. I feel so lucky to have a fantastic support system at SDSU and at home. We want to be your support system. Let us help you! Connect with us! Join us for [Talk it Out!](#) on Mondays from 4:30-6:30pm at the APIDA Center. A collaboration with Counseling & Psychological Services, "Talk It Out" is a program where students can speak with a therapist for about 20 minutes about anything and everything. No appointments are needed. Come chat with Dr. **Tri Nguyễn**.



# Know APIDA History!



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SDSU APIDA Center x University Art Gallery

Cultural Education Program



**Day of Remembrance  
for Japanese American  
Incarceration**



**When:** Wednesday, February 19th, 2025 from 2-3pm  
**Where:** APIDA Center  
February 19th is the Day of Remembrance for Japanese American Incarceration. Learn more about Executive Order 9066, which ordered the forced removal and incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II (1939-1945). Also, learn about Clara Breed, the San Diego librarian who wrote letters to children in the camps. We will give free books to attendees. We will also write letters to those detained by ICE.





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SDSU Asian Pacific Islander Desi American Center

x University Art Gallery x JAHSSD



**A Day of Remembrance at SDSU's APIDA Center  
Learning about the Japanese American  
Incarceration Experience**

**When:** Tuesday, February 25th, 2025 from 2-5pm  
**Where:** APIDA Center

**2-3pm: Film screening  
of Sharon Yamato's  
"A Flicker in Eternity"  
plus Q & A with  
filmmaker**

**3-5pm: Collage and  
Zine-Making with  
Artist Devon Tsuno**

**Join us as we reflect on over 80 years of  
the impact of Executive Order 9066, which  
ordered the forced removal and  
incarceration of Japanese Americans  
during World War II (1939-1945).**



## APIDA Center learns about the Day of Remembrance!

On February 19, 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt (1882-1945) signed Executive Order 9066, which authorized the U.S. Army to forcefully remove and incarcerate over 120,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry. In 2022, President Joe Biden (born 1942) declared February 19th as the National Day of Remembrance of Japanese American Incarceration During World War II (1939-1945).

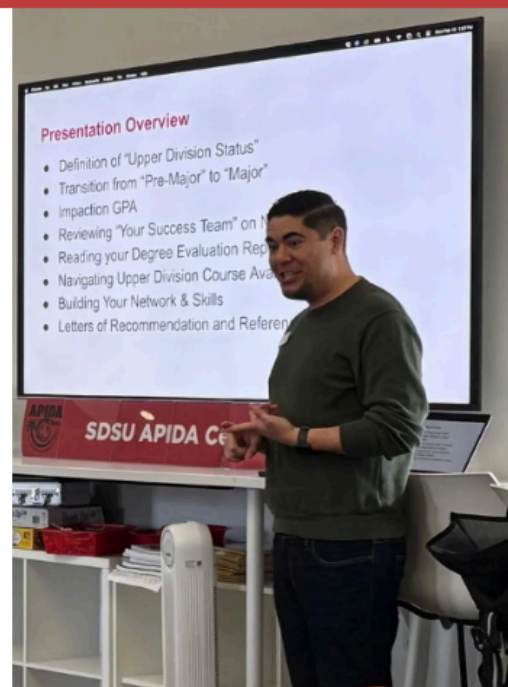
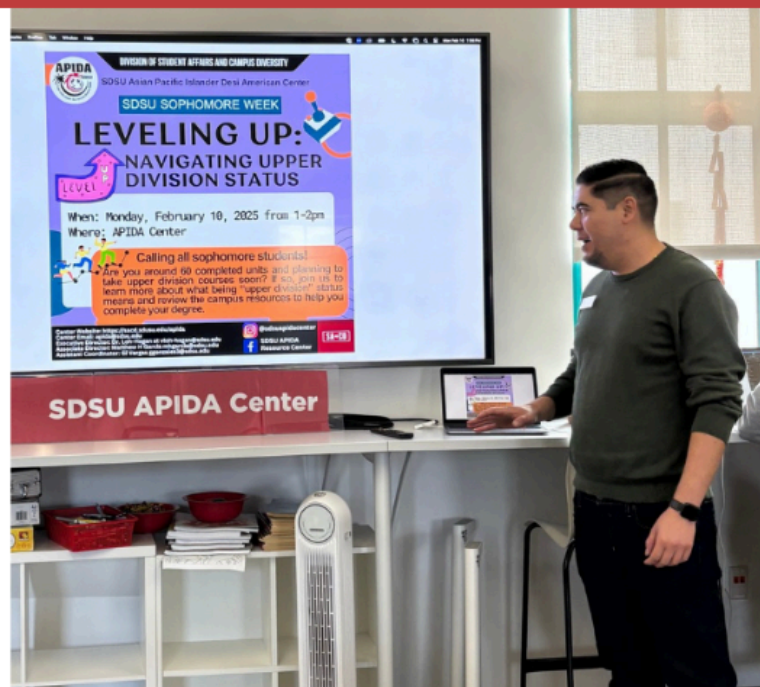
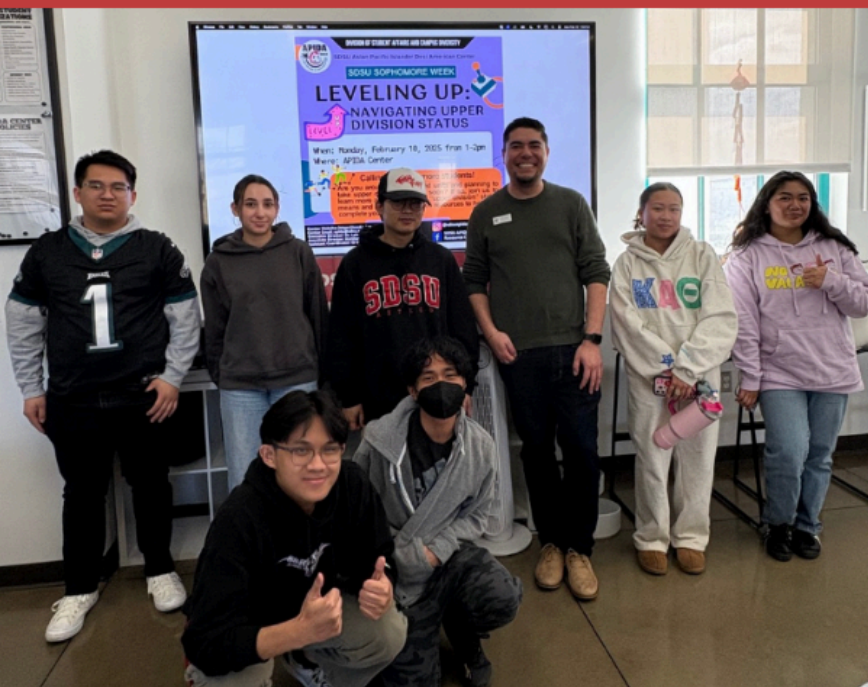
Decades before Biden's proclamation, individual states have been celebrating their own Day of Remembrance. The first Day of Remembrance event was observed on November 25, 1978 in Seattle, Washington. It was a part of the movement to fight for redress and reparations for Japanese Americans who were unjustly incarcerated after Japan's attack of Pearl Harbor in 1941. It was organized by the Evacuation Redress Committee of the Seattle Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League. The event took place at the Puyallup Fairgrounds, which was formerly the Camp Harmony Assembly Center. During the event, formerly incarcerated Japanese Americans commemorated their experiences and histories by sharing their stories with the youth.

The State of California designated February 19th as their Day of Remembrance in 1986. Two years later, the Civil Liberties Act of 1988 was passed, granting over 80,000 surviving incarceratedees \$20,000 in reparations. Since then, cities across California host events to commemorate and preserve the history of the Japanese American incarceration experience.

Join the APIDA Center, the University Art Gallery, and the Japanese American Historical Society of San Diego on Thursday, February 19th from 2-3pm for our Cultural Education Program about Day of Remembrance. Then, join us on Tuesday, February 25th from 2-5pm for A Day of Remembrance at SDSU's APIDA Center: Learning about the Japanese American Incarceration Experience.



# APIDA Center Highlights: News to Know!



## APIDA Center hosts Leveling Up workshop!

To celebrate SDSU Sophomore Week, the APIDA Center hosted a workshop to help current undergraduate sophomores navigate their transition into upper division courses. We are here to support the academic success of SDSU students!





## **APIDA Center hosts snake bead applique workshop!**

Our Lunar New Year celebration continues! On Monday, February 10th, we hosted a cultural craft workshop in which we learned about the art and history of beadwork and applique embroidery and then made snakes to celebrate the Year of the Snake.





## **APIDA Center hosts Logistx!**

On Tuesday, February 11th, we partnered with (AAPI)Phany and One SDSU Community to meet and move with our hometown hero, Logan "Logistx" Edra. We learned about her journey as an Olympic breaker and mental health advocate. Fun Fact: SDSU is Logistx's first university visit as a global dancer!



# APIDA Recommendation: Ethan Quinn



**Ethan Quinn** is a fourth-year English Major. He is also the APIDA Pre-Teachers Alliance President, Student California Teachers Association President, and Taiwanese Student Association Treasurer. He recommends Wushiland Boba, a Taiwanese-based boba shop that opened in Tainan in 1994. OO Tea by Wushiland opened in San Diego in 2013, becoming the company's first store outside of Taiwan. Ethan said, "Growing up, Wushiland was a place I frequented a lot when I was in Taiwan. Their shops were on every street in my city, so I would never miss a chance to go there when I saw one, especially on a hot, summer day. When I came to San Diego for college and saw that they had it here too, I couldn't wait to visit it and get a cup of their boba milk tea! Although it isn't two bucks a cup like it is back home, this boba tea is as close to authentic, Taiwanese-style boba as any other place here in San Diego. 10/10...I would highly recommend it to y'all!"



## Upcoming APIDA Center Events

### Talk it Out!

**Location: APIDA Center**

**Date: Monday, February 17, 2025 from 4:30-6:30pm**

In collaboration with Counseling & Psychological Services, the APIDA Center is hosting "Talk It Out," a program where students can speak with a therapist for about 20 minutes about anything and everything. No appointments are needed. Just come and talk it out with Dr. Tri Nguyễn on Mondays from 4:30-6:30pm.

### Vietnamese Đông Hồ\*

**Location: APIDA Center**

**Date: Monday, February 17, 2025 from 6-8pm**

Celebrate the Year of the Snake with us! Learn more about Tết, the Vietnamese Lunar New Year and the Vietnamese traditional folk art history of Đông Hồ used to decorate homes for the holidays. Then, create your own Đông Hồ inspired stamp art.

### Day of Remembrance for Japanese American Incarceration\*

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### DIY Daruma Dolls\*

**Location: APIDA Center**

**Date: Monday, February 24, 2025 from 6-8pm**

Celebrate the Year of the Snake with us! Learn about the history and art of Japanese daruma dolls which symbolize good fortune and are often used to set goals and make wishes. Then, create your own daruma doll - crochet or clay!

### A Day of Remembrance at SDSU's APIDA Center: Learning about the Japanese American Incarceration Experience

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**Date: Tuesday, February 25, 2025 from 2-5pm**

Join the University Art Gallery, the Japanese American Historical Society of San Diego, and the APIDA Center as we reflect on the 80-year impact of Executive Order 9066. From 2-3pm, we will host a film screening of Sharon Yamato's "A Flicker in Eternity" plus a Q & A with filmmaker. From 3-5pm, we will host a collage and zine-making workshop with Artist Devon Tsuno.

### Cultural Education Program: Wong Kim Ark and Birthright Citizenship\*

**Location: APIDA Center**

**Date: Thursday, February 27, 2025 from 4-5pm**

Wong Kim Ark (1873-death unknown) was a San Francisco-born Chinese American. He fought for birthright citizenship in the 1898 Supreme Court case United States v. Wong Kim Ark. Learn more about Wong Kim Ark and birthright citizenship. Be in community with us as we discuss ways to protect our rights.

### Craft for a Cause

**Location: APIDA Center**

**Dates: All Semester Long!**

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.

*NOTE: In order to participate in the workshop (i.e., crafts, food, etc.) and/or earn APIDA SWAG, course extra credit, etc., you must attend events on time and in their entirety and be engaged for the entire event. For events marked with an asterisk (\*), we will not permit attendees after the indicated start time. We don't want you to miss out on anything and we want to be courteous to the presenters.*

### Student-Led Workshops & Student-Created Social Media Campaigns

APIDA Center is hosting Student-Led Workshops and Student-Created Social Media Campaigns. This is a great opportunity to share your passion with others. It's also an opportunity to learn how to plan an event or prepare a campaign with our support. We are interested in any and all APIDA-related topics! If you are interested, email Dr. Loh-Hagan at [vloh-hagan@sdsu.edu](mailto:vloh-hagan@sdsu.edu).



# Opportunities & Events

## APIDA Student Organizations:

- The [Society of Asian Scientists & Engineers \(SASE\) SDSU](#) is back! Get to know their new [Executive Board Members](#).
- [Pacific Islander Student Association \(PISA\)](#) is hosting [Weekly Dance Practice](#) on Fridays from 3-4:30pm in front of the Aztec Recreation Center and Wednesdays from 4:30-5:30pm on the ENS Field.
- [AB Samahan](#) is accepting applications for their [Alumni Mentorship Program](#). [Mentors](#) and [Mentees](#) can [apply](#) by Fri, Feb 14th.
- [Taiwanese Student Association \(TSA\)](#) is hosting their next [General Body Meeting](#) on Fri, Feb 14th in Matayu'um.
- [Vietnamese Student Association \(VSA\)](#) is hosting a [Study Session](#) on Mon, Feb 17th from 4:30-5:30pm in Legacy Suite.
- [Korean American Student Association \(KASA\)](#) is performing at [K-Pop Night](#) hosted by Aztec Student Union Board on Mon, Feb 17th from 6-8pm at the Student Union Courtyard.
- [Badminton Club at SDSU](#) is hosting a [Handel's Fundraiser](#) on Wed, Feb 19th from 4-7pm.

## Community Center Partners:

- The [Undocumented Resource Center \(URC\)](#) is hosting [Super Smash Bros Tournaments](#) every Friday starting on Feb 14th from 12-1pm.
- The [Center for Intercultural Relations \(CIR\)](#) in partnership with Glazer Center for Leadership & Service and the Center for Inclusive Excellence, is hosting a [Book Discussion](#) about *So You Want About Race* by Ijeoma Oluo on Mon, Feb. 17th from 1:00-2:30pm.
- The [Women's Resource Center \(WRC\)](#) is partnering with Voice of San Diego to present "A Parent's Guide to SD Schools" on Tues, Feb 18th from 12-1pm at the WRC. (Zoom option available. [Register](#) today!)
- The [Gus & Emma Thompson Black Resource Center \(BRC\)](#) is hosting "Black Men's Warrior Collective" on Tues, Feb 18th from 5:00-6:30pm in the BRC Living Room.
- The [Native Resource Center \(NRC\)](#) is hosting an [Intercultural Talking Circle](#) on Wed, Feb 19th from 2-3pm.
- The [Pride Center](#) is hiring! They are looking for a student to lead their [Pride House Mentorship Program](#). They are also looking for part-time [Educator and Pride House Mentors](#). [Apply](#) by 9am on Mon, March 10th.

## Campus Partners:

- California State University is providing free immigration legal services. [Learn](#) more!
- Dr. Erin Riley from the SDSU Department of Anthropology is leading a [2025 Indonesia Fieldwork Program](#). [Apply](#) by Mon, Feb 17th.
- [Counseling and Psychological Services](#) is hosting a [C&PS Peer Educator Information Session](#) on Tues, Feb 18th at 6pm on Zoom.
- The [Office for Graduate Life and Diversity](#) is hosting "Cultivating an Anti-Impostorism Mindset" workshop on Thurs, Feb 20th from 11-12pm in Pride Suite (SU 132).
- [Glazer Center for Leadership and Service](#) is hosting a [Donation Drive for PATH San Diego](#) until Fri, Feb 21st in SU 210.
- Struggling with basic needs? Need resources? Connect with the [Economic Crisis Resource Team](#).

## Community Partners:

- San Diego API Coalition is hosting "Ethnic Studies at the Library: Understanding and Dismantling the Model Minority Stereotype" on Sat, Feb 15th from 11:00-12:30pm at the Skyline Hills Library. [Register](#) today!
- Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics (LEAP) is hosting a LEAP Emerge Fellowship Program Information Session on Tues, Feb 18th at 11am on Zoom. [Register](#) today!
- Lotus Magazine is accepting submissions for their Q2 issue. The theme of the issue is "Healing." [Submit](#) by Wed, Feb 26th.
- The Asian and Pacific Islanders with Disabilities of California (APIDC) is accepting applications for their Youth Leadership Institute Program. [Apply](#) by Sun, March 16th.
- The Asian American Education Project offers free APIDA resources on their [website](#) and [Instagram](#).



# Paid Internships & Scholarships

## Paid Internships:

- The California Local News Fellowship is a full-time, paid program open for early-career journalists. [Apply](#) by Feb. 21st.
- **NEW!** Border Region Talent Pipeline is looking for business, computing, and engineering students for their summer internship program. [Apply](#) by Feb. 28th.
- The Center on Policy Initiatives is looking for participants for their Students for Economic Justice Summer Internship Program. [Apply](#) by March 9th.
- **NEW!** Asian Health Services is looking for interns for their Real-world Exposure & Advocacy in Community Health (REACH) program. [Apply](#) by March 9th.
- La Jolla Playhouse is looking for Summer interns. [Apply](#) by March 14th.
- **NEW!** Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics (LEAP) is looking for participants for their LEAP Emerge Fellowship Program. [Apply](#) by April 11th.
- CVS Pharmacy in El Cajon is looking for a Graduate Pharmacist Intern. [Apply](#) by May 1st.

## Scholarships:

- The Asian Pacific Islander Capitol Association (APICA) is offering a 10-week summer fellowship for college students (21+) interested in public policy. The fellowship includes a \$6,400 stipend, orientation, and meaningful work experience in a legislative office. [Apply](#) by Feb. 21st.
- National Parent Volunteer Association is offering \$1,000 to undergraduate and graduate students. [Apply](#) for the Act of Kindness Scholarship by Feb. 28th.
- The San Diego Foundation is offering multiple scholarships to current undergraduate and graduate students. [Apply](#) by March 5th.
- The Lao Community Cultural Center of San Diego is offering \$500 to undergraduate students of Lao American heritage. [Apply](#) by March 15th.
- The Bettersworth Law Firm is offering \$1,000 to students pursuing a career in legal, law enforcement, pre-law, or government. [Apply](#) by March 26th.
- Earl Pascua Filipino-American Scholarship is offering \$500 to an undergraduate or graduate student pursuing a STEM or History degree. [Apply](#) by March 31st.
- The Aga Khan Foundation is offering scholarships to graduate students. [Apply](#) by March 31st.
- The Japanese American Citizens League is now accepting applications for their 2025 JACL National Scholarship Program. They are offering a variety of scholarship awards. [Apply](#) by March and April.
- **NEW!** Ho'omau Foundation is offering scholarships to college students of Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander descent. [Apply](#) by April 16th.
- **NEW!** Against The Grain Productions is offering \$1,500 to current college students of Asian and/or Pacific Islander ethnicity. [Apply](#) by May 31st.