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SDSU Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA) Center



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## Location:

2nd floor of Aztec Student Union

Rooms #210A-K (Directly above Starbucks)

## Hours:

Mon-Thurs 10am-8pm

Friday 10am-4:30pm

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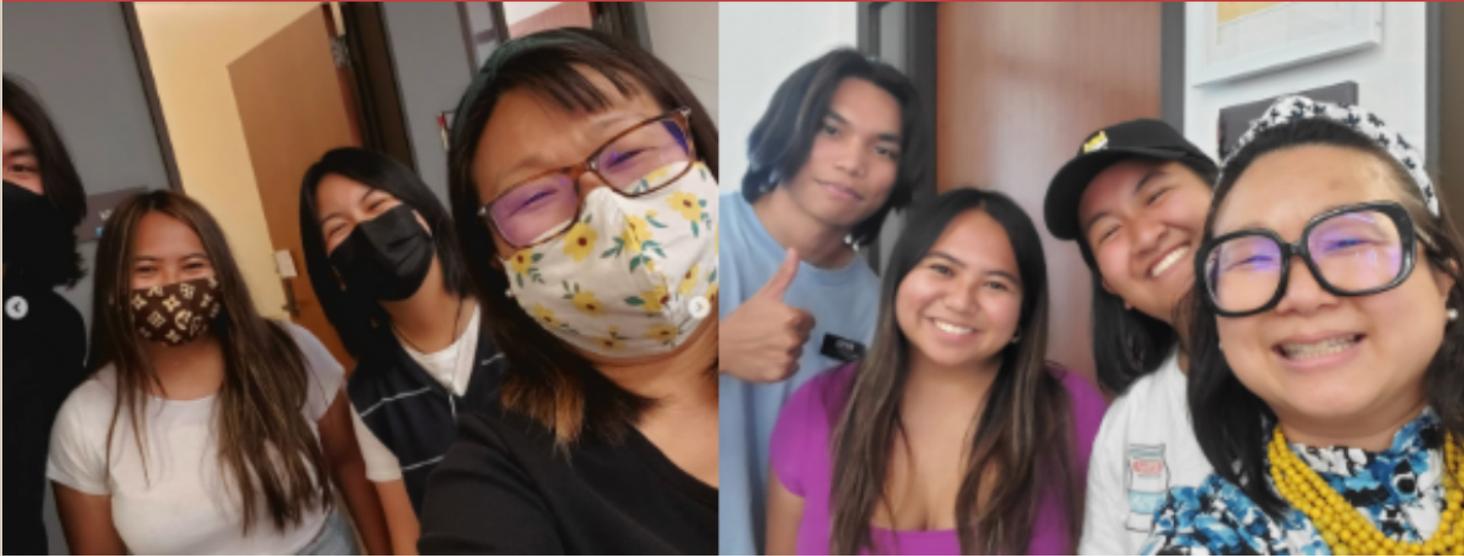
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# Director's Message from Dr. Loh-Hagan

August 26, 2022



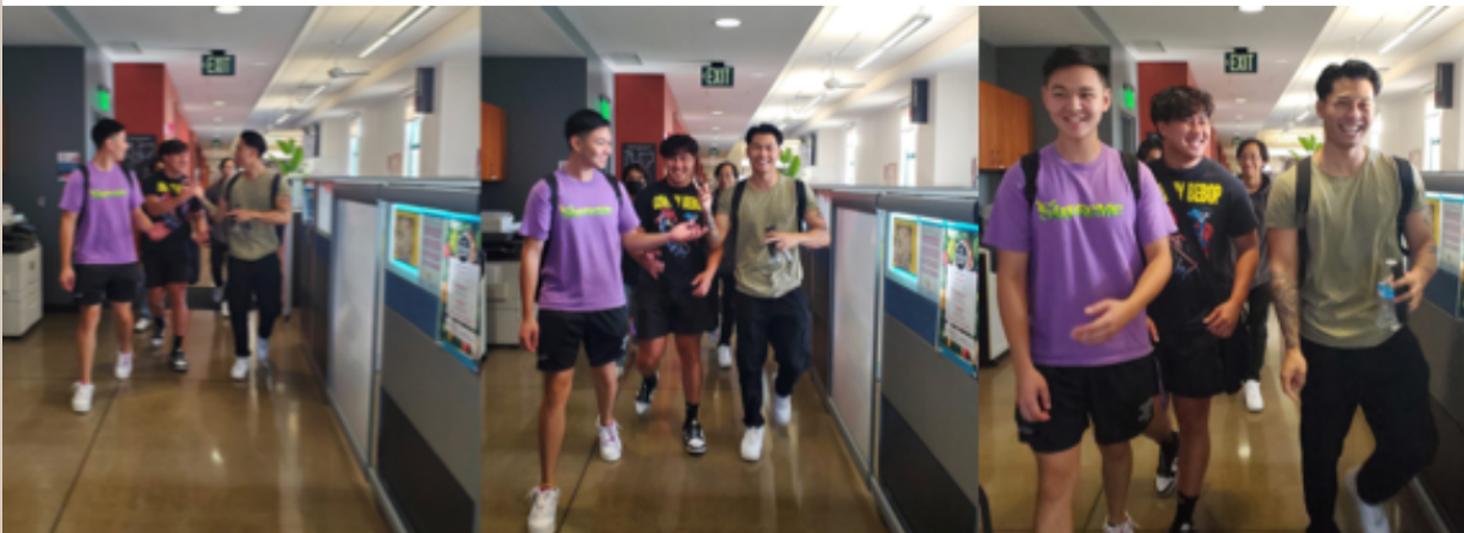
## Have a great Fall 2022 semester!

APIDA Center regulars, **Barry Lomibao, Jr.**, **Giselle Sarmiento**, and **Deanna Magpali**, wanted to recreate a photo we had taken on the first day of school last year. The photo on the left is from August 2021 and the picture on the right is from this week.

This August marks the start of APIDA Center's second year in our physical space. We have come a long way! Last year at this time, we didn't have any real furniture and we were still building and painting walls. Although we are still doing some finishing touches, we are well on our way.

What remains the same, however, is the love and laughter that fills our space. The APIDA community at SDSU is strong and vibrant. Come hang with us!

See the photo montage below - Follow these young men to the APIDA Center! We're located on the second floor of the Student Union (above Starbucks) on the right wing of the Student Life and Leadership suite.



# APIDA Center Highlights: News to Know!



## APIDA Center had a great first week!

The APIDA Center has been poppin' all week! It has been so awesome seeing new and returning students. In addition, we participated in the All Centers Reception and hosted the APIDA Center Welcome Week Open House on Friday, August 26.

**Will Castaneda**, fourth year Management Information Systems major, said, "I'm so happy to be back in this welcoming and loving community. I've been in the Center every day this week. I've enjoyed seeing my friends and connecting with the wonderful APIDA staff. Shout out to Dr. Loh-Hagan for creating such a welcoming space for APIDA."

**Chana Lasola**, fourth year biology major, said, "I'm so happy to be back, connecting with my APIDA friends. I love being in a space where I feel comfortable and can be myself. Come to APIDA Center! Woohoo!!!"



## APIDA Center hosts second A-LIST cohort!

In Fall 2021, we launched our first A-LIST (APIDA Leadership, Identity, Scholarship, and Togetherness) program. We have an [A-LIST residential living community](#) and an [A-LIST university seminar](#).

On Tuesday, August 23rd, we hosted our first A-LIST seminar for the second A-LIST cohort! This year, we have about 100 students in A-LIST, which is twice as many students as last year. Our A-LIST USEM is open to all students including residential, commuter, and transfer students.

**Jomel Del Rosario**, a transfer student in our A-LIST USEM, said, "I wanted to be in the A-LIST USEM in order to connect with students with the same cultural background as me. I also wanted to learn more about my cultural history. I'm really excited to meet new folks and build long-lasting friendships."

# APIDA Flex Alerts!

- **Mirei Kubota** and **Krishna Ramamoorthy** were selected to participate in a research project led by the [Asian American and Pacific Islander Legislative Caucus \(APILC\) Foundation](#). In 2010, APILC issued a report detailing alarming disparities in achievement among APIDA subgroups, countering the Model Minority myth that APIDA students have equitable access to education. The Foundation has partnered with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to conduct a study focused on improving educational equity for APIDA students.
- **Tyra Arandia**, second year Child and Family Development student, designed the logo for the #Run4Rey event which took place last year. Her design is featured on the swag.

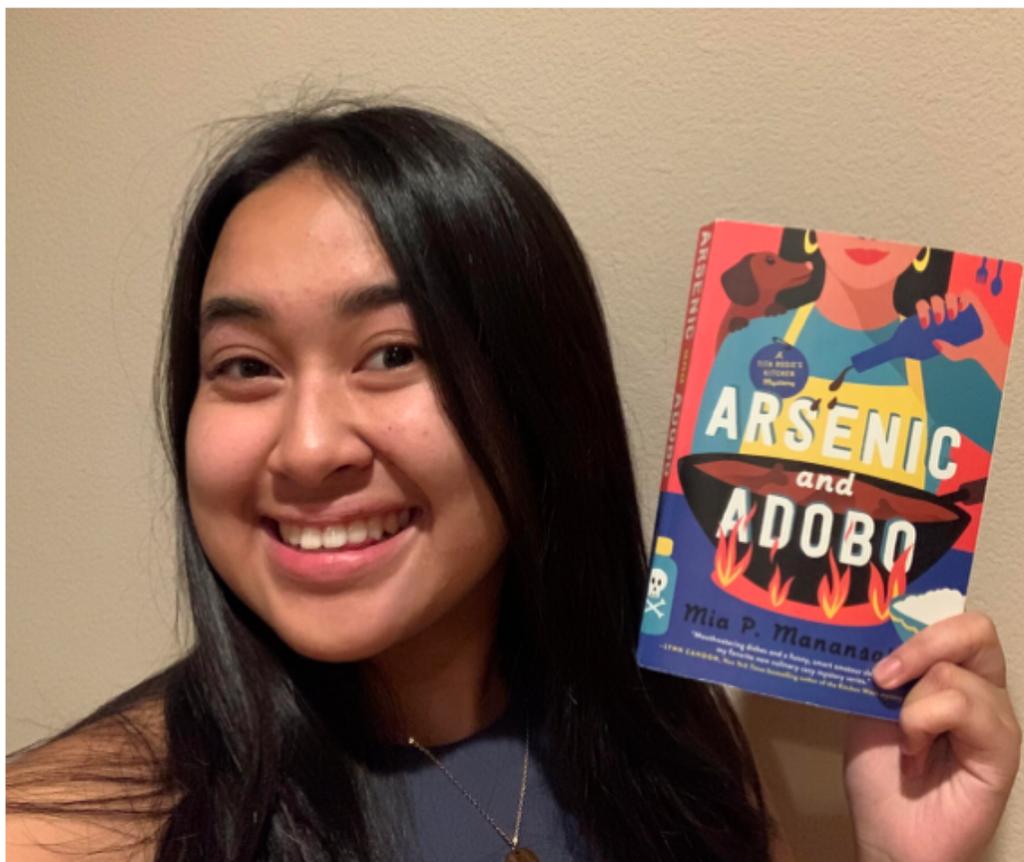


**We want to celebrate the SDSU APIDA community!**

**Have a flex to share?**

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# All Things APIDA: Recommendations



**Lia Escobar** is a second year student, a member of the first A-LIST cohort, and [AB Samahan](#)'s 2022-2023 APIDA Liaison. She is recommending *Arsenic and Adobo* by Mia P. Manansala. She said, "This first book in Mia Manansala's trilogy is the perfect combination of comedy, mystery, love, and Filipino culture. Anyone that is interested in murder mysteries should definitely check this book out. The book follows a young, Filipino-American woman who is trying to figure out who she is and what it means to be Filipino in America. On top of that, she is trying to prove that she was framed for murdering her ex-boyfriend. The story is so exciting that you will not want to put the book down!"

**Share all things APIDA (i.e., books, movies, food, restaurants, etc.).**

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# Upcoming APIDA Center Events

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

Do you have expertise on a topic? Do you have a special skill? Consider sharing your knowledge with us! APIDA Center launched our Student-Led Workshops and Student-Created Social Media Campaigns. This is a great opportunity to show off your expertise and share your passion with others. It's also an opportunity to learn how to plan an event or prepare a campaign with our support. Work with an APIDA Center staff member who will serve as your project mentor. We are interested in any and all APIDA-related topics! If you are interested in participating, email us at [vloh-hagan@sdsu.edu](mailto:vloh-hagan@sdsu.edu).

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**SAVE THE DATE:** Back by popular demand! Because of the success of last semester's Makers' Market, we are hosting another event this Fall! There will be a call for makers and songwriters soon. In the meantime, start creating and making!



# MAKERS' MARKET

**SAVE THE DATE:**

**Thursday, October 20, 2022**

# Opportunities

- Aztec Nights is hosting several super fun events this semester. Check out the upcoming [events](#):
  - August 26: Carnival Nights 1
  - August 27: Carnival Nights 2
  - September 2: Dragstravaganza After Dark
  - September 3: Food Truck Night
  - September 4: Movie Night
  - September 9: Rolling into Fall
  - September 10: Back 2 Skool
  - September 17: Comedy Night
  - September 23: Dance Marathon
- The [Center for Intercultural Relations](#) is hosting a [Young Men of Color Welcome Luncheon](#) on Thursday, September 1 starting at 11:45pm. RSVP by August 28 at [tinyurl.com/ymocaluncheon22](http://tinyurl.com/ymocaluncheon22).
- The San Diego chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League is hosting a [community dialogue](#) on Thursday, September 8 from 6:30-8:00pm. They will be hosting a virtual film screening of "Not Your Model Minority," followed by a panel featuring Jon Osaki (filmmaker), Lee Ann Kim (Pacific Arts Founder), and Dr. Christen Sasaki (UCSD Professor).
- The [Center for Asian and Pacific Studies](#) is looking for a student assistant. Duties include performing clerical work, creating promotional materials, and assisting the director with other center-related work. Interested students should contact the Director, Dr. [Mingeong Kim](#).
- Need basic needs resources? Need help through a financial crisis? Connect with [Economic Crisis Response Team](#).

**Do you have an opportunity to share?**  
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# SDSU APIDA Center is hiring student staff for Fall 2022!

## APIDA Center is hiring student staff!

Interested in working at the APIDA Center? We are hiring [student staff](#) (undergraduates, graduates, and work-study eligible students) to perform a variety of tasks including but not limited to reception, event programming, peer support, office support, communications, research, etc. Read more about the position and application process on our [Instagram](#). We will be taking applications until we are staffed. Please apply by September 1. Pro-Tip: If you want to work for the APIDA Center, come to our programs and learn more about what we do!

# Scholarships

Please research criteria and deadlines.

- Niche is offering a [\\$2000 scholarship](#) (no essay required). Open to high school and college students. Apply by August 31, 2022.
- Scholarships 360 is offering \$500 via a "Tuition Solution" scholarship for STEM students to help offset college costs. Apply by August 31, 2022.
- The [National Asian Pacific American Bar Association Law Foundation](#) (NLF) is offering several scholarships including the NLF Scholarship, NLF Presidential Scholarship, UPS/NLF Gold Mountain Scholarships, Low Family Scholarship, Chris Nakamura Scholarship, and LimNexus Scholarship. [Apply](#) by September 7, 2022.
- [Beta Theta Pi Fraternity](#) believes that college men should be recognized for their success and for their desire to achieve. They are offering up to \$1500 scholarships for non-Greek male students at SDSU. [Apply](#) by September 15. (By applying, students are in no way committing themselves to membership in Beta Theta Pi or any other organization.)

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