

DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS AND CAMPUS DIVERSITY

SDSU Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA) Center



Read all about it!!!

Check your email! Newsletter #49 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!



@sdsuapidacenter



SDSU APIDA

Resource Center

SA+CD

Center Website: <https://sacd.sdsu.edu/apida>

Center Email: apida@sdsu.edu

Director: Dr. Loh-Hagan at vloh-hagan@sdsu.edu

Associate Director: Matt Garcia at mhgarcia@sdsu.edu

Assistant Coordinator: Angela Subido at asubido@sdsu.edu

Director's Message from Dr. Loh-Hagan

DECEMBER 2, 2022



Celebrating community!

We hope everyone had a relaxing Fall break filled with family, fun, and gravy (lots and lots of gravy!). We came back from break with full stomachs and half-completed to-do lists! And now, December is here and we are getting ready for Spring 2023 [registration](#) and [finals](#) week. Make sure to stay connected with us on [Instagram](#) to learn all about the many supports we are providing.

An exciting event that happened this week was the [Grand Opening](#) of the [Latinx Resource Center](#)! We were honored to be able to share space with our fellow cultural centers community. Congrats to the LRC! Check out their new digs in Love Library and their beautiful murals.

A Moment in APIDA History:

Know our histories to know ourselves!



APIDA Center acknowledges Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

This upcoming Wednesday is December 7, which is designated as Pearl Harbor Day of Remembrance. Over 2,400 military members and civilians died during the attacks on Pearl Harbor in Hawai'i by the Japanese Imperial Navy on December 7th, 1941. (President F.D. Roosevelt referred to this day as "a date which will live in infamy.") The Pearl Harbor attacks compelled the United States to enter World War II.

The Pearl Harbor Association was formed in the 1950s, and served as a national network of support consisting of over 30,000 members across the United States during its peak. The San Diego chapter reached 600 members and continued to meet eight more years after the national organization disbanded. The last two living Pearl Harbor veterans in San Diego had their last meeting in 2019.

In addition to honoring the lives lost in the Pearl Harbor attacks, it's important to remember the lost livelihoods and loss of civil rights suffered by over 120,000 Japanese Americans who were forced into incarceration camps during World War II. In addition, over 33,000 Japanese Americans served in the U.S. military during World War II; they did this while their families were incarcerated.

One month after the Pearl Harbor attacks, the *San Diego Union-Tribune* called for the relocation of Japanese community members and the closure of Japanese language schools in downtown San Diego. The San Diego County Board of Supervisors passed a resolution enforcing the incarceration of Japanese Americans. Japanese Americans were stripped of their personal possessions and rights. This led to the destruction of Little Japan which housed Japanese-owned businesses that once existed between Island and Fourth Avenue. Generations today are still impacted by the Japanese American Incarceration experience.

In Spring 2023, the APIDA Center will be hosting a field trip to Manzanar, one of the incarceration camp sites. Standby for more information.

APIDA Center Highlights: News to Know!



APIDA Center hosts student-led workshops and social media campaigns!

The APIDA Center hosts an initiative in which students can host workshops and create social media campaigns with support from APIDA Center staff. As the final projects for our A-LIST (APIDA Leadership, Identity, Scholarship, and Togetherness) University Seminar, students have the option of working on a workshop, social media campaign, or research article for the newsletter. All the projects must expand our knowledge about the APIDA experience.

This semester, we had two student groups host workshops. On Friday, November 18, a group hosted a workshop about the [Filipino Parol](#). On November 30, a group hosted a workshop about [Wushu](#).

In addition, the students have created interesting and information social media campaigns. Here are some examples:

- [The History of Boba Tea](#)
- [South Asian American Female Characters on TV](#)
- [Eskrima in the U.S.](#)

Check out our [Instagram](#) for more!



APIDA Center makes art inspired by Tiffany Chung!

On November 28th, the APIDA Center hosted a Cultural Crafting Night where we learned about the history and plight of Vietnamese Boat People and about Tiffany Chung, a Vietnamese American refugee artist who uses maps to tell stories. Chung is known for her research-based detailed cartographic art in which she examines migration, trauma, gestures of remembrance, and cultural memories. Afterwards, we made our own memory or migration maps using multimedia. (Fun tidbit: These crafting nights have been so much fun because we have taught so many students how to sew! Standby for some life skills workshops!)

APIDA Center STUDY HALL

During Finals Week (Dec 13-19), the APIDA Center will be hosting quiet STUDY HALL hours from 10-5pm. All participants can get snacks and test-taking supplies.



APIDA Center Finals Fun

Mon, Dec 12

Color anime!



Tues, Dec 13

Make stickers!



Take a study break with us!

WHEN: All events are from 5:00-8:00pm

WHERE: APIDA Center

Wed, Dec 14

Sew on canvas!



Thurs, Dec 15

Design tote bags!



PLUS:

- Puzzles
- Games
- Piano
- TV

Reminder:

APIDA Center closes at 4:30pm on Dec 16 and Dec 19

Zoom Registration Workshops

Monday
Nov 21st
7-8pm

Tuesday
Nov 22nd
1-2pm

Monday
Nov 28th
2-3pm

Tuesday
Nov 29th
10-11am

Wednesday
Nov 30th
3-4pm

Thursday
Dec 1st
12-1pm

Tuesday
Dec 6th
12-1pm

Wednesday
Dec 7th
4-5pm

In-Person Registration Drop-In Hours

Monday
Nov 28th
10-1pm

Tuesday
Nov 29th
12-2pm

Wednesday
Nov 30th
10-12pm

Thursday
Dec 8th
10-12pm

Friday
Dec 9th
10-12pm

Location: APIDA Center Conference Room

APIDA Center preps for Finals season!

December is here! December 12 is the last day of the Fall 2022 semester and December 13-19 is Finals week. The APIDA Center is committed to supporting students' academic success; as such, we are hosting a [Study Hall](#) (aka quiet hours) from 10-5pm during Finals week. Students are encouraged to use our various spaces to study. For example, we have a lounge area, Quiet Study Room (absolutely no noise), Conference Room (for study groups), and a Student Work Office with two Mac computers. For all those participating in our Study Hall, we will be giving away #2 pencils, scantron test sheets, blue exam books, paper, etc. We will also be providing snacks.

Then, after 5pm, we will be hosting [Finals Fun](#) which includes a variety of fun activities like coloring anime, making stickers, sewing on canvas, designing tote bags, puzzles, games, etc.

In addition, it is time to register for Spring 2023 courses. We are hosting [registration workshops](#) via zoom and in-person registration support via drop-in hours at the APIDA Center.

Come to the APIDA Center - we are ready to support you during [Finals](#)!

APIDA Flex Alerts!

- **Blue Nguyen**, who earned his B.S. in Biological Sciences and is a current Masters student in Public Health at SDSU, has received acceptance letters from three medical schools: William Carey University in Mississippi, Nova Southeastern University in Florida, and Kansas City University in Missouri. He is interested in pursuing family medicine.
- SDSU Alumni magazine featured **Catlan Nguyen**. She is quoted saying, "I wouldn't want to be anywhere else but in the journalism world right now and I'm grateful SDSU led me to where I am now."
- **Hannah Ly** wrote an article for *The Daily Aztec* entitled, "[SDSU hires faculty to run new Asian American Studies Department](#)." The article features a [picture of the APIDA Center](#) and mentions Dr. **Minjeong Kim**, Dr. **Alvin Henry**, Dr. **Stephen Suh**, and Dr. **Mei Zhong**. The APIDA Center is a proud supporter and partner of the Asian American Studies movement at SDSU.
- Dr. **Loh-Hagan** has been busy presenting at various conferences these past couple of weeks. She promoted her newest book ([A is for Asian America](#)) at the National Council of Teachers of English conference. She also spoke about the importance of teaching APIDA histories at the National Council for the Social Studies' convening of the Council of State Social Studies Specialists.

We want to celebrate the SDSU APIDA community!

Have a flex to share?

Email us at apida@sdsu.edu.

Upcoming APIDA Center Events

Spring 2023 Registration Support

Location: APIDA Center Conference Room or [Zoom](#)

Dates: November 21-December 9

Need help registering for Spring 2023 courses? The APIDA Center is here for you! We are hosting registration workshops via zoom AND in-person registration support via drop-in hours at the APIDA Center.

Cultural Crafting Night: Dong Ho

Location: APIDA Center

Date: Monday, December 5 from 6-8pm

Come learn about the Vietnamese traditional folk art of Dong Ho painting which originated in the Dong Ho village. Then make your own Dong Ho inspired stamp art. Limited supplies - please come at 6pm in order to participate.

Meet Asian American Studies Faculty

Location: APIDA Center

Date: Tuesday, December 6 from 2-3pm

The APIDA Center has been a huge advocate of Asian American Studies; we are thrilled to be supporting this work! Come mingle with Dr. Kim, Dr. Henry, and Dr. Suh. In addition, learn about Asian American courses you can take this upcoming Spring semester! (It's registration season!)

IEW: Critical Refugee Studies Collective

Location: [Zoom](#)

Date: Wednesday, December 7 from 11:30-1:00pm

Celebrate International Education Week (IEW) with us! Originally from Việt Nam, Dr. Yến Lê Espiritu is a Distinguished Professor of Ethnic Studies at UCSD. She has served as Department Chair, President of the Association of Asian American Studies, and Vice President of the Pacific Sociological Association. She also has extensive experience working with refugee and immigrant communities in San Diego. An award-winning author and a recipient of multiple grants, she has published extensively on Asian American communities, critical immigration and refugee studies, and U.S. colonialism and wars in Asia. A founding member of the [Critical Refugee Studies Collective](#) (CRSC), Espiritu is the co-author of [Departures: An Introduction to Critical Refugee Studies](#) (UC Press, 2022).

Meet Trung Le Nguyen, Author of The Magic Fish

Location: SSW 1560

Date: Monday, December 12 from 4:00-5:30pm

The APIDA Center is a proud supporter of [One Book One San Diego](#). This year's teen book selection is *The Magic Fish*, which is a graphic novel about the resettlement experiences of Vietnamese refugees. Attend the event, meet the author, and get a free book (while supplies last)!

APIDA Center Study Hall and Finals Fun

Location: APIDA Center

Date: December 12-19

To support Finals week, the APIDA Center is offering study spaces, study hall (quiet hours from 10-5pm), and Finals Fun activities which includes puzzles, games, etc. and activities such as:

- December 12: Color anime!
- December 13: Make stickers!
- December 14: Sew on canvas!
- December 15: Design tote bags!

Opportunities & Events

APIDA Student Organizations:

- [\(AAPI\)phany](#) is hosting "Liberation and LGBTQ+ International Psychologies on December 2 from 4-6pm at Templo Mayor.
- [AB Samahan](#) is hosting a [Picnic Social](#) at Clay Neighborhood Park on December 3 from 2-4pm.
- [APSA](#) is hosting [Kinda Sorta Formal](#) on December 3 from 6-10pm at the SDSU Alumni Center.
- [JSA](#) is hosting [Karaoke](#) at Jin Karaoke on December 3 from 7-9pm.
- [VSA](#) is hosting [Winter Retreat](#) from January 13-15. Sign up to reserve your spot!

Cultural Center Partners:

- The Latinx Resource Center is hosting [Unidos en Movimiento](#) on December 6 from 12-1pm at the LRC Conference Room.
- The Native Resource Center, Project Rebound, and the Transfer Student Outreach Alliance are hosting [Struggles and Triumphs: The Journey Towards Liberation](#) on December 9 from 3:00-4:30pm at PFSA-100. Join in person or on zoom.
- The Black Resource Center and the Aztec Student Union are hosting a [Kwaanza Celebration](#) on December 9 from 5-7pm at the Parma Payne Goodall Alumni Center.

Campus Partners:

- The Glazer Center is hosting [Mindful Language & Inclusive Leadership Workshop](#) on December 5 at 11am on Zoom.
- [Center for Human Rights](#) and [Center for Asian and Pacific Studies](#) is hosting a lecture featuring Raki Ap, International Spokesperson for the Free West Papua Campaign about "The Colonization of West Papua & the Climate Crisis" on December 6 from 9:30-10:45 in person at PFSA 318 or via [Zoom](#).
- Need basic needs resources? Need help through a financial crisis? Connect with [Economic Crisis Response Team](#).

**Do you have an opportunity to share?
Email us at apida@sdsu.edu.**

Paid Internships & Scholarships

Please research criteria and deadlines.

Paid Internships:

- The [AAJA/ABC News Alexa Valiente Memorial Summer Internship](#) is offering an internship at ABC News for a junior or senior with at least a 3.0 GPA. Apply by February 28, 2023.
- The [AAJA/NBC News Summer Fellowship](#) offers students an opportunity to intern in New York City. Apply by February 28, 2023.

Scholarships:

- The [EmPowered Women Scholarship](#) is awarding \$750 to a first-gen, female, BIPOC student. Applicants must be pursuing a career in Accounting/Finance and have non-profit or volunteering experience. Apply by December 15, 2022.
- The [Manuela Calles Scholarship for Women](#) is awarding one \$500 scholarship to a female student who is pursuing a career that improves the mental health field. Apply by December 20, 2022.
- The [Do Good Scholarship](#) is awarding \$500 to one student who is using their career to address climate change. Applicants must identify as a first-gen or minority student with volunteer experience. Apply by January 1.
- The [Sigirci-Jones Scholarship](#) is awarding \$500 to one student who is pursuing nursing with a 3.2 GPA minimum. Apply by January 1, 2023.
- The [Future Leaders in Technology - College Award](#) is awarding \$2500 to one junior or senior pursuing a career in technology. Applicants must identify as either Black, Latinx, Native American, LGBTQ+, or woman to apply. Apply by January 9, 2023.
- The [White House Correspondents' Association Scholarship](#) offers \$2000 to be used for tuition and other educational expenses. Apply by January 15, 2023.
- The [APIA Scholars Scholarship](#) is open to APIDA undergraduates. Amounts range from \$2500-\$20,000. Applications are available between September 7 to January 19, 2023.
- The [Al Young Sports Journalism Scholarship](#) awards \$2000 to an undergraduate pursuing sports journalism. Apply by January 30, 2023.
- The [Jimmie & Suey Gong Yee](#) grant awards \$2000 to those pursuing a career in sports journalism and media. Apply by January 30, 2023.
- The [Vincent Chin Memorial Scholarship](#) awards \$1500 to a student journalist for an insightful essay about Vincent Chin. Apply by January 30, 2023.
- Apply for a [Broadcast News Internship Grant](#) or a [William Woo Print and Online News Internship Grant](#) to win funds that can go toward summer internship expenses. Apply by March 30, 2023.

**Do you have a resource to share?
Email us at apida@sdsu.edu.**