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SDSU Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA) Center



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Location:

2nd floor of Student Union

Rooms #210A-K (Directly above Starbucks)

Hours:

Mon-Thurs 10-8pm

Friday 10:00-4:30pm

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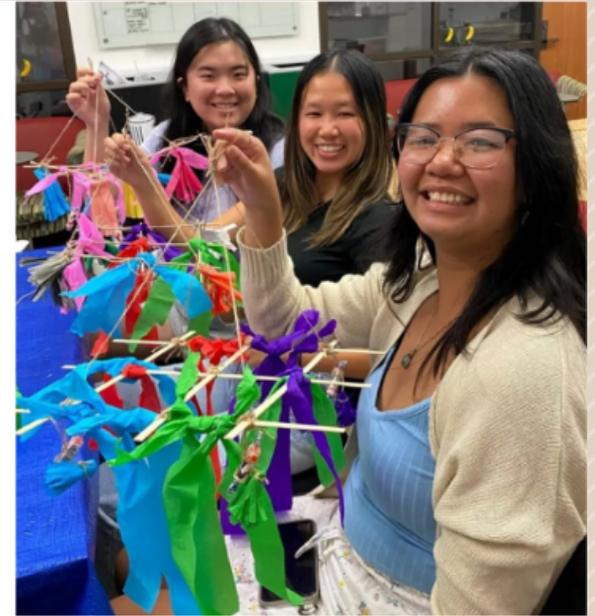
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Director's Message from Dr. Loh-Hagan

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Happy FAHM 2023!

Did you know that over 5% of the SDSU student population identifies as a Filipino/a/x American? Starting Monday, October 2, 2023, the APIDA Center will be celebrating our fourth annual Filipinx American History Month (or FAHM)! That means we've had four years of awesome FAHM programming!

This is a special time to acknowledge and amplify the history and culture of the Fil-Am community. Although the goal is to ensure that Fil-Am voices and perspectives are included in curricula and programming all year long, October is a designated time to uplift and amplify the Fil-Am experience. Come to one of our events and/or contact the APIDA Center to see how your organization can support the Fil-Am/APIDA community at SDSU.

Stay up-to-date with all of our FAHM events by checking out our [FAHM Google Folder](#). You can also follow us on [Instagram](#) and/or view our [Calendar](#). Let's have a fantastic FAHM!

A Moment in APIDA History:

Learn about APIDA histories and narratives!



Act now to urge
Congress to increase
funding for AANAPISIs

1. SPREAD THE WORD ON SOCIAL MEDIA
2. SHARE YOUR STORY #AANAPISI
3. SEND A LETTER TO YOUR U.S. REPRESENTATIVE AND SENATORS



APIDA Center celebrates AANAPISI Week!

AANAPISI stands for "Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institutions." With 14% of our students identifying as APIDA, SDSU meets the criteria to be a federally-designated AANAPISI-eligible institution. This year, AANAPISI Week is September 25-October 1. This is a time to celebrate federal support of higher education efforts to support APIDA student populations.

This week was chosen as AANAPISI Week because the AANAPISI program was first established by Congress on September 27, 2007. Its purpose was to improve the availability and quality of postsecondary education programs to support APIDA students. Since then, AANAPISIs have made a difference in the lives of many APIDA students across the United States and the Pacific. That stated, we need to continue to urge Congress to increase AANAPISI funding.

On September 22, 2023, President Joseph R. Biden, Jr, issued the first-ever Proclamation on AANAPISI Week. He said, "AANAPISIs enroll nearly half of all AA and NHPI undergraduates, and they confer almost 50 percent of associate degrees and nearly 30 percent of baccalaureate degrees of all AA and NHPI students. These vital institutions empower students to earn degrees and reach their full potential while providing culturally responsive services and culturally sustaining programs that include tutoring, advising, career development and counseling, and more. With the Supreme Court's recent decision to effectively end affirmative action in college admissions, the work to make higher education accessible to all is as essential as ever. We need to keep open the doors of opportunities and ensure that the promise of America is big enough for everyone to succeed."

APIDA Center Highlights: News to Know!



APIDA Center host Hawaiian History Month events!

This past September, we celebrated [Hawaiian History Month](#). We hosted our last events this past week. On Monday, September 25th, we learned about the art of Hawaiian Kapa (bark cloth-making) and then created our own stamps and made [stamped pouches](#). On Wednesday, September 27th, we hosted a speaker event with [Kaliko Kalahiki](#), a māhū Kanaka Maoli student, creative, and farmer from Kāneʻohe. They shared their research entitled "Queering Aloha ʻĀina" and talked about food sovereignty, environmental justice, indigenous knowledge systems, and more.



APIDA Center and PISA host a social!

We ended Hawaiian History Month with a super fun [social](#). We ate hurricane popcorn, played games, and watched movies. We had so much fun. Many thanks to PISA Social Chair and all-around great person, **Cody Chinothai**, for planning the event.



APIDA Center partners with SDSU Ambassadors & Environmental Health and Safety!

This past month, we had the pleasure of working with Dr. **Robyn Adams**'s team at the [New Student and Parent Programs \(NSPP\)](#). They hosted a SDSU Ambassador information session at the APIDA Center.

In addition, we partnered with **Claire Norberg** and **Anh Tran** with the [Environment, Health and Safety](#) office to provide food handling training sessions. We do this at the beginning of every semester. These trainings are required for any entity wanting to serve food at SDSU events. The training is good for one year and must be renewed annually. Because food is such an important part of APIDA Center events, these trainings are super helpful.

News from APIDA & Bayanihan ERG



APIDA & Bayanihan ERGs get ready for FAHM!

The [SDSU APIDA Employee Resource Group](#) (ERG) is a network for APIDA faculty and staff members. We are open to all SDSU employees who identify as APIDA and/or who support the APIDA community at SDSU. If you would like to join the APIDA ERG, please contact Dr. Loh-Hagan at vloh-hagan@sdsu.edu. Stay tuned for FAHM events!

The [SDSU Bayanihan \(ERG\)](#) is a network for Filipino-American faculty and staff members. The mission of the Bayanihan ERG is to increase awareness, education, and promotion of Filipino-American culture at SDSU. If you would like to join the Bayanihan ERG, please contact ERG-FilAm@sdsu.edu. Follow the [Bayanihan ERG](#) to learn more about upcoming socials and FAHM events, such as:

- September 30 from 1-3pm - Social at [Market on 8th](#) for lunch, chat, and coffee.
- October 8 starting at 5:30pm - Meet-up at the [Model Majority: Asian American Comedians Show](#) at Mic Drop Comedy.
- October 14 - The [So Sarap! Philippine Festival](#) is seeking [volunteers](#). Sign up today!

APIDA Flex Alerts!

- **Ingrid Yu**, Phi Beta Delta Board Member, was recognized as Glazer Center for Leadership & Service's [Service Superhero for September](#). She has completed over 100 hours of community service!
- **Dani Judilla** was elected as the Associated Students Representative for the College of Education Student Council.
- Dr. **Minjeong Kim**, Professor of Sociology and Director of the Center for Asian and Pacific Studies, is featured in Dr. **Lashon Daley**'s vlog (Dr. Daley Knows #KidLit). In the [video](#), they discuss children's books as they stroll around Busan, South Korea.

We want to celebrate the SDSU APIDA community!

Have a flex to share?

Email us at apida@sdsu.edu.

Upcoming APIDA Center Events

Comedy Show: Fumi Abe

Location: Student Union Theater

Date: Wednesday, October 4 starting at 4:30pm

The APIDA Center will be tabling at this event which is sponsored by the School of Journalism and Media Studies (JMS).

Food Handling Training

Location: APIDA Center

Date: Tuesday, October 3 from 12-1pm

Do you plan to serve open food at your public events? If so, SDSU requires Food Handling Training, which is good for one year.

Please [RSVP](#).

Careering While Asian Panel

Location: Mesa College, G-Building, Room 101

Date: Wednesday, October 4 from 9:45am-12:30pm

The SDSU APIDA Center will be teaming up with our favorite community partner, Mesa College's AANAPISI program! Dr. Loh-Hagan will be speaking at their Careering While Asian Panel.

API Male Transfer Experience

Location: Glazer Leadership Room in Student Union 210

Date: Tuesday, October 10 from 10:15-11:20am

The SDSU APIDA Center and Mesa College AANAPISI are collaborating to present a panel at the 4th annual [CSU Young Males of Color Conference](#). We will be discussing the API male transfer experience. Register [here](#).

Cultural Crafting Night: Pacita-Abad Inspired Art

Location: APIDA Center

Date: Monday, October 2 from 6-8pm

With over 4500 artworks, Pacita Abad (1946-2004) was a Filipina American painter. She developed a technique of trapunto painting that included stitching, stuffing, and found objects. We will create our own paintings inspired by Abad's use of circles, lines, and mixed-media.

Fil-Am TV/Movie Night

Location: APIDA Center

Dates: Wednesdays, October 4, 11, 18, 25 from 6-8pm

During FAHM, we will be watching and discussing various Fil-Am themed shows on Wednesday nights. Starting on October 18th, we will watch Season 2 of "Out of the Boondocks," a locally produced docuseries celebrating San Diego's Filipino American creative community.

Cultural Crafting Night: Decorated Wooden Spoons

Location: APIDA Center

Date: Monday, October 9 from 6-8pm

Learn about the historical and cultural significance of the large, decorated wooden spoons that can be found hanging on the walls of some Filipino homes. Then, decorate your own spoons.

Cultural Education Program: Colonial Roots of the Debut and Quinceañera

Location: Templo Mayor in Student Union

Date: Wednesday, October 11 from 11-1pm

The APIDA Center, the Latinx Resource Center, and the Women's Resource Center will host a cultural education workshop about the historical and cultural significance of coming-of-age celebrations in Filipinx and Latinx communities. Participants will learn about the colonial roots of debuts and quinceañeras and then practice waltzing and eat traditional foods.

Cultural Education Program: Historical and Cultural Significance of Eskrima

Location: APIDA Center

Date: Friday, October 13 from 1-2pm

SDSU alumna, Jessica Mercado will be sharing their passion for Eskrima, the indigenous fighting arts in the Philippines which has served as a conduit in uncovering the history of their Filipino heritage. They will also teach us some basic moves.

Cultural Crafting Night: Pabalat

Location: APIDA Center

Date: Monday, October 16 from 6-8pm

Learn about the historical significance of pabalat, a form of papercutting originating in the Bulacan province in the Philippines. Then, make our own versions of pabalat.

Cultural Education Program: Fil-Am & Hmong Hip Hop

Location: Zoom

Date: Tuesday October, 17 from 3-4pm

Sean Slusser, a PhD candidate in History at UC Riverside and an adjunct at CSU Fresno, will share his research about how APIDA youth groups have created hip-hop cultural scenes, examining Filipino hip-hop culture in the 1990s Los Angeles and hip-hop culture in Fresno and the Central Valley, specifically Hmong b-boys.

APIDA Maker's Market

Location: Student Union Courtyard

Date: Wednesday, October 18 from 1-6pm

APIDA Center is hosting our fourth Makers' Market. [Sign up](#) for a table and sell your homemade products. And/or, [sign up](#) to sing an original song on stage. [Sign up](#) by October 6th, 2023. Spots fill up fast!

Maneuvering Queer Asia: Research, Activism, and Identities

Location: APIDA Center

Date: Wednesday, October 18 from 5-6pm

Dr. Minwoo Jung is an Assistant Professor of Sociology at Loyola University of Chicago. In his talk, he will discuss political contexts and cultural norms in relation to queer activism in Asian societies including Taiwan, Singapore, and South Korea. Partners: [Center for Asian and Pacific Studies](#), [Center for Human Rights, Sociology, Political Science, LGBTQ+ Studies](#), [APIDA Center](#), and [Pride Center](#)

Dr. Rey Monzon Data Lecture Cultural Education Program: Dr.

Rudy Guevarra

Location: Zoom

Date: Thursday, October 19 from 2-3pm

Dr. Rudy P. Guevarra Jr. is a Professor of Asian Pacific American Studies at Arizona State University. He is the author of *Becoming Mexipino: Multiethnic Identities and Communities in San Diego*. He will share his research and his experience growing up Mexipino in San Diego.

SDSU FAHM Headliner: Ruby Ibarra

Location: Templo Mayor in Student Union

Date: Monday, October 23 from 6-8pm

Ruby Ibarra is a rapper, spoken word artist, and director from the Bay Area, CA. She will be here at SDSU talking about her experiences as a Fil-Am Artist. She will also give a brief performance and answer questions from the live audience.

Cultural Education Program: APIDA Roots Society: Malunggay

Location: APIDA Center

Date: Tuesday, October 24 from 1-2pm

The APIDA Center is launching an APIDA Roots Society to learn more about Asian heritage plants. For FAHM, learn about Malunggay, a plant native to South and Southeast Asia, which has been used as a form of medicine for centuries. Learn how Malunggay plays a medicinal role in traditional Filipino dishes.

Cultural Education Program: The Significance of 1898

Location: APIDA Center

Date: Wednesday, October 25 from 2-3pm

The 2023 FAHNS theme is "1898: Recognizing 125 Years of Philippine-American History." This year marks the 125th anniversary of the signing of the 1898 Treaty of Paris, an agreement between Spain and the U.S. that ended the Spanish American War and led to the U.S. annexation of the Philippines. The APIDA Center will examine impacts and effects of 1898 on Filipino and Fil-Am identity, culture, and politics. Asian snacks will be provided!

A-LIST Student-Led Workshops

Location: APIDA Center

Date: Thursday, October 26 from 2-3pm and 4-5pm

From 2-3pm, A-LIST students will present a workshop about the poetry of Carlos Bulosan (1913-1936). They will share the impacts of his work and host a writing activity. From 4-5pm, A-LIST Students will present a workshop about the evolution of Taglish (code-switching in the use of Tagalog and English). They will also give us a lesson on common Taglish phrases.

Cultural Crafting Night: Weave w/ Cynthia Alberto

Location: APIDA Center

Date: Monday, October 30 from 6-8pm

Cynthia Alberto is a Fil-Am artist and designer. Her work bridges traditional and contemporary weaving techniques. She explores the interactions between weaving, healing, craft, inclusive art, and sustainability. Alberto will share her journey and work with us. Then, we will engage in a community/cultural "weaving together" activity. The APIDA Center will provide supplies but feel free to bring recycled material to weave.

Opportunities & Events

APIDA Student Organizations:

- [NSU](#) is accepting applications for [Big Little Program](#) until September 29 at 11:59pm. [Apply](#) today!
- [KASA](#) is hosting a [Belmont Park Social](#) on September 30 from 4-7pm.
- [Sanskriti](#) is hosting [Garba Night](#) on September 30 from 5-9pm at Montezuma Hall.
- [Delta Sigma Psi](#) is hosting [Alpha Chi Class Formals](#) on September 30 at the Hilton Missions Valley. Doors open at 8pm.
- [APSA](#) is accepting [Night Market Performance Sign-ups](#) for Night Market on October 26 from 4-9pm at the Student Union Courtyard.

Cultural Center Partners:

- The [Native Resource Center](#) is hosting events, check out their [October Calendar](#)!
- The [Women's Resource Center](#), [Basic Needs Center](#), [Student Parent and Allies Association](#), and the Pregnant & Parenting Student Initiative are hosting [Pregnant & Parenting Student Initiative Resource Fair](#) on October 3 from 12-4pm in the Student Union Courtyard.
- The [Undocumented Resource Center](#), Access, and Alliance San Diego are hosting [Individual Taxpayer Identification Number \(ITIN\) Information Session](#) on October 11 from 12:00-12:50pm both virtually and in-person at the EOP Learning Support Center.

Campus Partners:

- The [Center for Asian and Pacific Studies](#) (CAPS) is hiring a student assistant for 10 hours a week at \$15.50/hour. Students with experience in clerical work, social media, and event planning are welcome to contact CAPS Interim Director, Dr. [Jocelyn Killmer](#).
- The [Glazer Center for Leadership & Service](#) is offering [October Workshops](#).
- [Career Services](#) is hosting a [Graduate and Professional Studies Fair](#) on October 3 from 10-2pm in Montezuma Hall.
- Struggling with basic needs? Need resources? Connect with [Economic Crisis Response Team](#).

Community Partners:

- [Asian Solidarity Collective](#) is hosting [The Healing Arts Justice Fall Break 2023 Series](#) from October 2-6 from 10-2pm.
- The San Diego Public Library is hosting [Filipino American History Month Author Panel: Stories of Some Filipino Americans of San Diego, California](#) on October 2 from 6:00-7:30pm at the Skyline Hills Public Library.
- The San Diego Public Library is hosting [Filipino American History Month Festival](#) on October 3 from 6:00-7:30pm at La Jolla/Riford Library.
- [Pacific Arts Movement](#) is hosting the [San Diego Asian Film Festival 2023 Launch Party](#) on October 3 from 6-10pm at Market on 8th.
- [San Diego Taiwanese American Professionals](#) is hosting a [Mid-Autumn Festival](#) on October 4 from 6-8pm at Meet Fresh Mira Mesa.
- The [San Diego Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League](#) is hosting their annual gala ("Never Forget Stop the Hate) on October 7, 2023. [Get tickets today!](#)

Paid Internships & Scholarships

Paid Internships:

- **NEW!** The National Security Agency is seeking students for their [Non-STEM Summer Internship](#). Applications are due October 15.
- **NEW!** Grant Thornton LLP is seeking a [Tax Intern for Winter 2024](#). Students with a Bachelor's or Master's in Accounting may apply.
- **NEW!** Circana is seeking a [Media Summer Associate - Summer 2024](#). Students studying Marketing or Business may apply.

Scholarships:

- The [Buckfire & Buckfire, P.C. Disability Scholarship](#) is awarding one student \$1000. Apply by October 1.
- The [I Can Do Anything Scholarship](#) is awarding two \$500 scholarships. Undergraduate and graduate students may apply by October 1.
- The [Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans](#) is awarding up to \$90,000 per fellow. Apply by October 26.
- The [DRIVE an IMPACT Scholarship](#) is awarding one \$1000 award to an underrepresented minority student. Apply by October 31.
- **NEW!** The [Romeo Nursing Scholarship](#) is awarding \$700 to an undergraduate student pursuing a degree in Nursing. Apply by November 1.
- **NEW!** The [Atlas Shrugged Essay Contest](#) is open to all high school, college, and graduate students. Winners may be awarded up to \$10,000. Apply by November 6.
- The [Ahmadi Family Scholarship](#) is awarding four \$500 scholarships to first-generation students who are the child of immigrant parents. Apply by November 15.
- The [Healing Self and Community Scholarship](#) is awarding two \$500 scholarships to BIPOC students interested in art and health promotion. Apply by November 15.
- The [Clevenger Women in Foster Care Scholarships](#) is awarding two \$500 scholarships. Students who identify as female or single mothers with who grew up in foster care are eligible to apply. Apply by November 15.
- The [Minority/Women in STEM Scholarship](#) is awarding five \$500 scholarships to BIPOC, Women, low-income, or first-generation students in STEM. Apply by November 15.
- The [American Association of University Women Select Professions Fellowship](#) is awarding a \$20,000 fellowship to a woman pursuing select professions in a graduate program. Apply by November 15.
- **NEW!** The [Brandon Tyler Castinado Memorial Scholarship](#) is awarding \$500 to an undergraduate or graduate Nursing student. Military professionals and LGBTQIA+ students are encouraged to apply by December 20.
- The [West Family Scholarship](#) is awarding \$500 to one BIPOC student active in athletics, drama, or band, with a minimum 3.0 GPA. Apply by December 12.
- The [APIA Scholarship](#) is awarding multiple scholarships ranging from \$2,500-\$20,000 to Asian or Pacific Islander undergraduate students. Apply by January 9.