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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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**Executive Director's Message**

September 13, 2024



**From Dr. Loh-Hagan: Be crafty and resourceful with us!**

The APIDA Center is crafty and resourceful! We love making things, fixing things, upcycling things....all the things!

We have two very exciting events coming up:

- Come to our **APIDA RESOURCE FAIR** on Tuesday, September 17th from 5-7pm in the Student Union Courtyard. This is a great opportunity to connect with students and other campus organizations that serve APIDA students.
- Sign up by October 4th for our **MAKERS MARKET** which will take place on Thursday, October 31st from 1-6pm in the Student Union Courtyard. Link: <https://bit.ly/APIDAMakersMarket2024>

Come hang out with us!

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## APIDA Resource Fair

Learn about all the various campus organizations that support APIDA students at SDSU!

**WHEN: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 FROM 5-7PM**  
**WHERE: STUDENT UNION COURTYARD**

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## MAKERS' MARKET

Thursday, October 31, 2024 from 1-6pm

Sign up by Oct 4th!



**Location: Student Union Courtyard**

# Know APIDA History!



## **APIDA Center learns about San Diego's "Koreatown"!**

The first major wave of Korean immigrants to the United States started in the early 1900s. Over 7,000 Koreans were recruited to work on Hawaiian sugar plantations. When their contracts ended, many Korean laborers moved to California and established businesses. As a result of the Korean War (1950-1953), a second wave of immigrants consisting of war brides (i.e., Korean wives of American soldiers), war orphans adopted by American families, and professionals arrived. A third major wave of Korean immigrants populated California and other parts of the United States as a result of the Immigration Act of 1965, which revoked a national quota system and enabled family reunification. Since then, Korean ethnic enclaves have developed across the nation in cities such as San Francisco, Los Angeles, and San Diego.

Many Korean immigrants in San Diego established businesses in what is now known as the Convoy Asian Cultural District, becoming a hub for San Diego's mini-Koreatown. Zion Marketplace, a Korean-based supermarket, opened in the Convoy District in 1979 and became the first Korean grocery store in San Diego. In 1996, Geunyoung Jin and Kyungmi Jin, who both immigrated to California in the 1950s, opened Jin Music Studios, which is now the oldest karaoke establishment in San Diego. As the APIDA diaspora grew in San Diego, the Convoy District further developed and became a Pan-Asian community of businesses and organizations.

Today, businesses owned by Korean Americans are growing and thriving on Convoy Street, further developing San Diego's mini-Koreatown. Along with many other APIDA-owned businesses, Korean American-owned businesses such as Korean barbecue joints and karaoke studios continue to serve as hubs for family and community gatherings.

# APIDA Center Highlights: News to Know!



## APIDA Center learns about Kapa Art!

On Monday, September 9th, the APIDA Center hosted a cultural crafting night about [Kapa art](#), in honor of National Hawaii History Month. Kapa is the traditional Native Hawaiian cloth made from tree bark. They're hand-printed with stamped designs.



## APIDA Center hosts the Honor 313 class!

On September 10th, the APIDA Center welcomed the [Honor 313](#) (Seminar in Interdisciplinary Studies) students in our space. Dr. **Loh-Hagan** provided a lecture about the power of narratives and narrative change. She talked about the impacts of the model minority and perpetual foreigner stereotypes. Then, we gave away free copies of the [One Book One San Diego](#) books. Many thanks to **Jacqueline Toy**, Associate Director of The Weber Honors College, for including the APIDA Center in the course.



## APIDA Center has been busy!

There was a lot going on this week! We hosted our first APIDA Council of Student Organizations (ACSO) on September 11th - Many thanks to **Chloe Kim**, former KASA President, who is serving as the ACSO Chair this year!

In addition, we launched our annual tradition of hosting Food Safety Trainings with **Claire Norberg** from Environmental Health and Safety. These trainings are mandatory for any student or staff member who will be serving food at events. This training must be renewed each year.

Lastly, and most excitedly, our games and puzzles are definitely back. Our students finished two more puzzles (1000 pieces) this week. We also had a really intense (or spicy) game night this past week. Join us on Thursday nights from 6-8pm!

What is your favorite thing to do at the APIDA Center?

Play killer and win  
-Vivi

the puzzle :D  
-Jalen

See Matt :  
Dr. Loh-Hagan  
-Trisha

JyRx

Recording  
APIDA eat w/ Kimo  
-Matt G.

Meet New  
peeps

Find The One Piece! 🍎

eat free jelly -  
Jalen

See Kuya + Aki Gi  
Matt... Also,  
I miss Dewey :)  
-Andrew A.

putting  
my backpack  
away :P  
Mz

See Matt +  
-Kimo

See anyone but Matt  
(ik)  
-Kaylee

bother Matt and  
Dr. Loh-Hagan  
-chimo

Hug Dr. Loh Hagan  
-Jalen  
(Jaden)  
+  
Klowi

Pet Dewey :)

quartet

### APIDA Center polls our students!

Every week, we post a different poll on our whiteboard. This past week, the question was "What is your favorite thing to do at the APIDA Center?" Check out our students' responses. They are so silly! (Notice the shout-outs to Dewey, the [APIDA cow-dog!](#))

# News from APIDA & Bayanihan ERG



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](mailto:vloh-hagan@sdsu.edu). Our newest initiative is a "Lunch and Learn." The next event is our monthly lunch on Sept. 24 from 12-1pm. We hosted our first event on September 10th; it was entitled, "Never Too Soon to Prepare for Retirement." Many thanks to **Jennifer Murray** from The Center for Human Resources, who shared her expertise about CALPERS and supplemental retirement plans.

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](mailto:ERG-FilAm@sdsu.edu). Follow the [Bayanihan ERG](#) to learn more. The next event is the monthly Kapehan on Sept. 25th from 12-1pm.

# APIDA Flex Alerts!

**J.R. Ramoso**, a fourth-year IS3D major, presented at the 7th Conference on Human Rights which took place in East Java, Indonesia. He shared his research about the indigenous Karen peoples in Thailand; he also discussed indigenous sovereignty and environmental stewardship across Southeast Asia, Australia, the Americas, and beyond. He said, "I am inspired by the other scholars and activists we've met from around the world who remind me that knowledge is power..."

**Brittany Cruz-Fejeran**, a recent SDSU graduate, is a co-founding member of [Daylight San Diego](#), a nonprofit news organization dedicated to serving communities overlooked by local and international media. They are collecting [feedback](#) to inform their content.

**Mirei Kubota**, a SDSU alum who had majored in business administration and who, most importantly, was one of the inaugural APIDA Center student staff members, is now a [SDSU employee](#). She got hired as the Administrative Support Coordinator for the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering.





## Upcoming APIDA Center Events

### Moon/Mid-Autumn Festival

**Location: APIDA Center**

**Date: Monday, September 16, 2024 from 12:30-2:00pm**

This year's Moon Festival is on September 17th but we are celebrating on Monday (or Moon-day). Join us for mooncakes, tea, and crafts.

### Cultural Education Program: Unpacking Filial Piety

**Location: APIDA Center Conference OR Zoom**

**Date: Monday, September 16, 2024 from 1-2pm**

College can be hard for APIDA students, especially those who feel pressured by filial piety and cultural/familial expectations. Learn about the historical and cultural significance of "Filial Piety" and then engage in a discussion support group.

### Cultural Crafting Night: Ribbon Lei-Making

**Location: APIDA Center**

**Date: Monday, September 16, 2024 from 6-8pm**

As part of our Hawaiian History Month celebration, we are learning about the historical and cultural significance of Hawaiian leis and then, we will make ribbon leis.

### APIDA Resource Fair

**Location: Student Union Courtyard**

**Date: Tuesday, September 17, 2024 from 5-7pm**

Learn about campus organizations that support APIDA students. This is a great way to get connected, make new friends, and more!

### Time Management for APIDA Student Leaders

**Location: APIDA Center**

**Date: Friday, September 20, 2024 from 12-1pm**

Join us for our new series: APIDA Academic Fridays! For our first workshop of the year, we are partnering with the Glazer Center for Leadership and Service. Learn how to be an effective and well-balanced student leader while acknowledging and honoring your family and cultural expectations.

### Cultural Crafting Night: Hawaiian Quilting

**Location: APIDA Center**

**Date: Monday, September 23, 2024 from 6-8pm**

As part of our Hawaiian History Month celebration, we are learning about the history and tradition of Hawaiian quilting. Then, make a project with us.

### Food Safety Training

**Location: APIDA Center**

**Dates: (Attend one!) Tuesday, Sept. 24 from 3-4pm; Wednesday, Oct. 2 from 1-2pm; Friday, Oct. 11 from 12-1pm; Monday, Oct. 14 from 3-4pm; Monday, Oct. 21 from 2-3pm**

Do you plan to serve food at your events? If so, SDSU requires food safety training. The training is good for one year.

### Cultural Education Program: Queen Lili'uokalani

**Location: APIDA Center**

**Date: Thursday, September 26, 2024 from 2-3pm**

As part of our Hawaiian History Month celebration, we are learning about Queen Lili'uokalani, the last Hawaiian monarch, and about the U.S. overthrow of the Hawaiian monarchy.

### Student-Led Workshop: Kumihimo

**Location: APIDA Center**

**Date: Thursday, September 26, 2024 from 5-6pm**

Learn about the historical and cultural significance of Kumihimo, an ancient Japanese form of braiding. Then, braid with us! Hosted by Nelson Hawkins.

### Talk Story & Musubi Mixer

**Location: APIDA Center**

**Date: Monday, September 30, 2024 from 5-6pm**

Come be in community with APIDA and PISA by "talking story" and eating SPAM musubis. We want to hear about your college experience and how we can better serve you.

### Makers' Market

**Location: Student Union Courtyard**

**Date: Thursday, October 31, 2024 from 1-6pm**

Calling all Makers, D.I.Y.ers, entrepreneurs, and singer-songwriters! APIDA Center is hosting our fifth annual Makers' Market! [Sign up](#) by October 4th.

### 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).



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**APIDA CENTER HAPPY HOURS**  
Join us for fun activities at the APIDA Center every day!  
NOTE: Schedule is subject to change if hosting special events.

 <b>Mondays (6-8pm) Craft Night</b>	 <b>Tuesdays (6-8pm) Music Night</b>
 <b>Wednesdays (6-8pm) TV Night</b>	 <b>Thursdays (6-8pm) Game Night</b>

### Happy Hours at the APIDA Center

The APIDA Center is hosting "Happy Hours" on weekdays from 6-8pm. Craft with us on Mondays. Make music with us on Tuesdays. Watch TV with us on Wednesdays. Play games with us on Thursdays. Open to all while supplies last and while space is available. Most nights will be unstructured. Some nights will be structured. There may also be times we cancel in order to support planned programs.

# Opportunities & Events

## APIDA Student Organizations:

- [Sanskriti](#) announced their 2024-2025 Executive Board Members. [Shivani Govind](#), who was part of the first A-LIST cohort, is the President!
- [Alpha Phi Gamma](#), [Alpha Psi Rho](#), [Delta Sigma Psi](#), and [Sigma Phi Omega](#) are hosting a series of recruitment events from Thurs, Sept. 12th to Fri, Sept. 20th.
- The [Korean American Student Association \(KASA\)](#) is hosting a [fundraiser](#) on Sat, Sept. 14th from 11am-11pm at Happy Lemon Convoy. They are also hosting a [social](#) at Kate Sessions Park from 4-7pm on Sat, Sept. 14th.
- The [Vietnamese Student Association \(VSA\)](#) is hosting their [first social](#) at Belmont Park on Sat, Sept. 14th from 4-6pm.
- The [Japanese Student Association \(JSA\)](#) is hosting a [bonfire](#) on Sat, Sept. 14th from 5-9pm at South Mission Beach.
- The [Asian Pacific Student Alliance \(APSA\)](#) is now accepting applications for performers for their 11th Annual Night Market. [Sign up](#) by 11:59pm on Sun, Sept. 15th.
- The [Tabletop Gaming Club](#) is hosting their next [meeting](#) on Tues, Sept. 17th at 5:30pm in SSW 2500.
- [AB Samahan](#) is now accepting applications for their [Kasama Program](#). [Apply](#) by 11:59pm on Fri, Sept. 20th.

## Community Center Partners:

- The [Pride Center](#) and [Women's Resource Center](#) are hosting their next [Game Time](#) on Mon, Sept. 16th from 2-3pm.
- The [Native Resource Center \(NRC\)](#) is hosting an [ARC Fitness Orientation](#) on Tues, Sept. 17th from 1-2pm.
- The [Black Resource Center \(BRC\)](#) and [Midnight Melodies](#) are hosting a [Karaoke Night](#) on Tues, Sept. 17th from 6-7pm.
- The [Latinx Resource Center \(LRC\)](#) is hosting [Our Voices, Our Votes: Voter Education Workshop](#) on Thurs, Sept. 18th at 12pm.
- The [Women's Resource Center \(WRC\)](#) and [Black Resource Center \(BRC\)](#) are hosting [Black Women's Healing Circle](#) on Thurs, Sept. 19th from 2-3pm.

## Campus Partners:

- Aztec Nights is hosting [Dragstravaganza, A 90s Slay](#) on Fri, Sept 13th from 9pm-1am and [Moonlight Chili Cook-Off](#) on Sat, Sept 14th from 10pm-1am.
- The [Center for Student Organizations and Activities](#) is hosting [SDSU Go! San Diego Seal Boat Tour](#) on Sat, Sept. 14th from 11am-5:30pm at Seaport Village.
- The [International Student Center \(ISC\)](#) is hosting a student panel entitled, "Navigating Life in the U.S." on Tues, Sept. 17th at 3pm.
- Struggling with basic needs? Need resources? Connect with [Economic Crisis Response Team](#)

## Community Partners:

- [FilAm CreatorCon 2024](#) is taking place on Sat, Sept. 14th from 10-4pm at the National City Public Library.
- The Asian American Education Project offers free APIDA resources on their [website](#) and [Instagram](#). Their next free webinar is ["Untold Vietnamese American History: Vietnamese Fishermen's Association v. Knights of the Ku Klux Klan"](#) on Sept. 18th from 4-5pm.

# Paid Internships & Scholarships

## Paid Internships:

- **NEW!** Pacific Arts Movement is looking for [Social Media](#) and [Graphic Design](#) Interns for the 25th San Diego Asian Film Festival. [Apply](#) today!
- **NEW!** American Red Cross is looking for a part-time paid intern for their Service for the Armed Forces program. [Apply](#) today!

## Scholarships:

- Bold.org is offering \$1000 to BIPOC students pursuing an undergraduate degree. [Apply](#) by September 22nd.
- The Kim Moon Bae Underrepresented Students Scholarship is offering \$1000 to support underrepresented minority students pursuing higher education. [Apply](#) by September 22nd.
- The BioPharmaceutical Technology Center Institute is seeking to support undergraduate students from underrepresented communities. [Apply](#) by September 30th.
- The Gender Expansive and Transgender Scholarship is seeking to support students who are gender minorities during their college experience. [Apply](#) by October 15th.
- **NEW!** The Filipino-American Scholarship Fund is offering \$500 to three undergraduate students who identify as Filipino-American. [Apply](#) by October 15th.
- Anne Napolitano Consulting is offering a \$1,000 scholarship to aspiring female accountants. [Apply](#) by November 30th.
- **NEW!** Sandwich Islands Network, Inc. is awarding the "Aunty" Geri Kuhia Scholarship to two Pacific Islander students pursuing a career in the arts. [Apply](#) by November 30th.