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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SDSU APIDA
Resource Center
Kudos to our Mesa College AANAPISI friends!

On Wednesday, October 4th, I had the pleasure of hanging out with our Mesa College friends. Mesa Colleges's Kapwa Learning Community, APIA Committee, Work-Based Learning, and AANAPISI programs coordinated a panel entitled, "Careering While Asian." I was honored to be a part of it along with Patrick Ballesteros, Kirin Macapugay (SDSU alum and adjunct faculty), and Dr. Miller Tran. We shared our stories of success and struggle and answered audience questions. We also had the pleasure of meeting Mesa College president, Dr. Ashanti Hands (who is also a SDSU alumna). Big kudos to Mesa College Transfer and SDSU student, Andrew Arevalo, for his work in coordinating the event. We are so thrilled to have Mesa College as a community partner.
APIDA Center learns about the colonial history of the Philippines!

For this Filipinx American History Month (FAHM), the APIDA Center reflects on the impact that U.S. colonization has made on the educational, social, and economic structure of the Philippines. The Philippines endured 300 years of Spanish colonization (1565-1898) followed by 48 years of U.S. colonization (1898-1946). These periods of occupation led to erasure of traditional, indigenous, Philippine culture. It also contributed to the socio-economic crisis that resulted in the export of Filipino laborers. To understand the present-day experiences of Filipinos in the diaspora, it is important to recognize the significance of 1898 as a transformative historical moment.

This year marks 125 years since the conclusion of the Spanish-American War and the Treaty of Paris (1898). With this treaty, the United States purchased the Philippines from Spain for $20 million and received the territories of Puerto Rico and Guam. However, this did not occur without a fight. Philippine revolutionaries fought for independence from 1896-1898. Despite the Philippines declaring independence on June 12, 1898, The Treaty of Paris was still signed on December 10, 1898, ignoring the sovereignty of the Filipino people. This transfer of colonial powers undermined Philippine autonomy and created a U.S. narrative of “Benevolent Assimilation” which justified U.S. militarization and the “Americanization” of Philippine society.

These decades of U.S. militarization in the Pacific has led to environmental destruction, loss of cultural artifacts and sites, and displacement of indigenous people. In the 1900s, the English language was formalized throughout the Philippines and academic programs such as the Pensionado program (1903-1943) supported the Americanization of Filipinos by sending students to the United States. Rather than building the Philippine infrastructure to be self-reliant through economic development, the United States carried out foreign policies that increased the Philippines' national debt and opened the land to foreign capitalist exploitation.

Learn more about the long-term impact of 1898 by attending our Cultural Education Program: The Significance of 1898 on October 25 from 2-3pm at the APIDA Center.
APIDA Center has had an exciting week!

On Friday, September 29th, the APIDA Center hosted an APIDA Student Organizations Summit and a Moon Festival social. Then, on Wednesday, October 4th, we collaborated with the School of Journalism and Media Studies to host Fumi Abe, a Japanese American comedian.

APIDA Center learns about Pacita Abad!

Back by popular demand, the APIDA Center hosted another cultural crafting workshop about Pacita Abad (1946-2004). We love Abad’s multimedia art for its fun and vibrancy. Abad said, "I always see the world through color...I feel like I am an ambassador of colors." We had tons of fun painting, sewing, glueing, stuffing, and more.
Kimo Dariano, a 5th year majoring in Electrical Engineering, is recommending a Nintendo 3DS, a foldable handheld game console which can display 3D effects. He said, "I recommend the 3DS because it's a very nostalgic handheld console. It's capable of playing many classic games such as 'Legend of Zelda: Ocarina of Time.' It's also capable of taking cute photos with friends. Since retro items are making a trend again, it's a perfect item to bring to parties, concerts, and more!" (FYI: Founded in 1889, Nintendo is a Japanese multinational consumer electronics conglomerate, headquartered in Kyoto, Japan.)

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**Upcoming APIDA Center Events**

**API Male Transfer Experience**
Location: Mata'yuum
Date: Tuesday, October 10 from 10:15-11:20am
The SDSU APIA 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.

**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.

**Fil-Am TV/Movie Night**
Location: APIDA Center
Dates: Wednesdays, October 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 Seasons 1+2 of "Out of the Boondocks," a locally produced docuseries celebrating San Diego’s Filipino American creative community.

**Cultural Education Program: Colonial Roots of the Debut and Quinceañera**
Location: Templo Mayor in Student Union
Date: Wednesday, October 11 from 11am-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 serves 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
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**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 APIA 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. This is a super popular event. Come out and support your SDSU makers and entrepreneurs.

**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 whose work bridges traditional and contemporary weaving techniques. She explores the interactions between weaving, healing, craft, inclusive art, and sustainability. After Alberto shares her work, we will weave together. The APIDA Center will provide supplies but feel free to bring recycled material to weave.
APIDA Student Organizations:

- **ABA SDSU** is accepting **Mentor and Mentee Applications** until October 10 at 11:59pm.
- **APSA** is accepting **Night Market Performance Sign-ups** for Night Market on October 26 from 4-9pm at the Student Union Courtyard.
- **NSU** is starting **Co-Rec Intramural Basketball** from October 29-November 17.

Cultural Center Partners:

- The **Native Resource Center, Project Rebound**, and Project Rebound Student Alliance are hosting **Empowerment Through Knowledge: Narcan Training** on October 9 at 4pm at PSFA100.
- The **Undocumented Resource Center** is hosting **Reclaim Your Story** every Thursday from October 5 to December 7 from 2:30-3:45pm.

Campus Partners:

- The **Glazer Center for Leadership & Service** is hosting **Glazer Gives Back** on October 12 from 5-6pm.
- **Counseling & Psychological Services** is hosting **Everyday Mindfulness and Meditation** on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
- Struggling with basic needs? Need resources? Connect with **Economic Crisis Response Team**.

Community Partners:

- The **San Diego Filipino Film Festival Schedule** is from October 4-8.
- The **Model Majority: Asian American Comedians Show** is on October 8 at 5:30pm at Mic Drop Comedy.
- The **So Sarap! Philippine Festival** is taking place on October 14th. They are seeking volunteers. Sign up today!
- **WhiteRiceSD** and **P-Lo** are hosting **Very Good Food Tour '23** at **White Rice Morena** on October 14 from 3-6pm at 5299 Linda Vista Rd. This event is free!

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

**Paid Internships:**

- The National Security Agency is seeking students for their [Non-STEM Summer Internship](#). Applications are due October 15.
- **NEW!** The Employment Development department is seeking a [paid Student Assistant](#) for the Oceanside office. Apply before October 19.
- **NEW!** Trinity Property Consultants is seeking a paid [Real Estate Intern](#). Apply today!
- **NEW!** Encore is seeking a [paid Event Technology Intern](#) for Spring Semester. Students pursuing a degree in hospitality, business, or media production may apply today!
Scholarships:

- 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.
- The Romeo Nursing Scholarship is awarding $700 to an undergraduate student pursuing a degree in Nursing. Apply by November 1.
- 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.
- **NEW!** The Doña Lupita Immigrant Scholarship is awarding $2000 to one student who is a single immigrant mother or raised by a single immigrant mother. Apply by November 12.
- 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 Revolutionizing Robotics and Computer Sciences Scholarship is awarding three scholarships of $1500 to undergraduate students studying Robotics, Engineering, or Computer Science. Apply by November 20.
- **NEW!** The Faatuai and Fatilua Memorial Scholarship is awarding $1000 to a Pacific Islander student pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree. Apply by November 25.
- 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.