Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month 2018

Tuesday, March 27
Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month Opening Reception
5:30 – 7 p.m.
University Club, President’s Room
Join us as we kick off the month-long celebration of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month at IU Bloomington.
Host: Asian Culture Center, Asian Pacific American Faculty and Staff Council, Office of the Vice Provost for Diversity and Inclusion, Office of the Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and Multicultural Affairs

Friday, March 30
Application Deadline
2018 Graduate Student Research/Creative Activity Travel Awards
5 p.m.
The Asian American Studies Program invites submissions from IUB College of Arts and Sciences graduate students (master’s or Ph.D. track) for research and creative activity grants to support projects relevant to Asian American and/or Asian Diaspora Studies. Awardees will receive up to $500 to cover research and creativity expenses, such as travel for data collection, conferences, supplies, software, services, and other needs that are directly related to the proposed research or creative activity.
Submit all materials to aasp@indiana.edu
Host: IUB Asian American Studies Program

Saturday, March 31
AAA Conference, “Reaching New Heights”
11 a.m. – 7 p.m.
School of Global and International Studies
The 4th annual Indiana Asian American Conference, title “Reaching New Heights,” focuses on the lack of representation of the AAPI community in the media and challenges in the workplace. This year’s keynote speaker is Jenny Yang, award-winning author, stand-up comedian, and a White House Champion for Change for her work in diversity and representation. The event includes three workshops led by IU faculty and graduates. The cost of admission is $3; proceeds will benefit Exodus Refugee Immigration. Lunch and dinner will be provided.
Host: Asian American Association

Sunday, March 31
Taiwan Day in Bloomington
2:30 – 6 p.m.  Film screening Monga
Fine Arts Auditorium
6 p.m. – 7 p.m. Taiwan Night Market
School of Global and International Studies, Atrium
This is a cultural event that features Taiwanese film, food, and games. Prof. Jeffrey Martin from the University of Illinois will provide introductory remarks about the Taiwan gangster film, Monga, and lead a Q/A discussion after the screening. Following the film, experience Taiwanese-style street food and games in the SGIS Atrium.
Host: East Asian Studies Center, IU Taiwanese Student Association

Saturday, March 31
Indian Student Association Formal
8 p.m.
Franklin Hall (President’s Hall)
This year’s ISA’s formal is a masquerade-themed event! The evening will feature an Indian buffet and dancing to Bollywood and American music. We want to reach out to Indian American students, as well as to International students who miss music and food from home!
Host: Indian Student Association

Monday, April 2
AAPIHM Information Display, Bloomington City Hall
City Hall, 401 N. Morton Street
Explore the works of AAPI community members in Bloomington in this informative display throughout the month.
Host: IU Asian Culture Center, City of Bloomington

Monday, April 2
Movement: Asian/Pacific America Film Series: Mele Murals
7 p.m.
IU Cinema, 1213 E. 7th Street
Tad Nakamura’s film documents the transformative power of modern graffiti art and ancient Hawaiian culture for a new generation of Native Hawaiians who confront the effects of environmental changes and encroaching modernization on their native culture. Featured artists include Estria Miyashiro (aka Estria) and John Hina (aka Prime), a group of Native Hawaiian charter-school youth, and the rural community of Waimea—all of whom confront the ill effects of environmental changes and encroaching modernization on their native culture.
Host: IU Cinema, Asian Culture Center, Asian American Studies Program
Wednesday, April 4
Asian American and Pacific Islander Talent Showcase
5 – 6 p.m.
Indiana Memorial Union, Gallery
A casual night of music, spoken word, and other performances will showcase the talents of the AAPI community. Bring your friends! Have a talent you want to share? Email us at acc@indiana.edu.
Host: IU Asian Culture Center, Indiana Memorial Union

Wednesday, April 4
Chinese Conversation Hour
6 – 7 p.m.
School of Global and International Studies, Room GA0005
All language levels of Chinese and English are welcome to this informal gathering hosted by the Chinese Flagship Student Association and Project Pengyou.
Host: Chinese Flagship Student Association, Project Pengyou

Thursday, April 5
Indonesia on the Global Stage: Rosmalawati Chalid, Consul General of the Republic of Indonesia in Chicago
12:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Hodge Hall, Room 2075
Remarks by the Consul General will provide an informative overview of Indonesia’s current state of economic, social, and cultural affairs.
Host: IU Southeast Asian Studies Program, School of Global and International Studies

Friday, April 6
Racism: Asians in Denial?
8 – 10 p.m.
Student Building, Room 150
This workshop, moderated by Roy Y. Chan, and film screening will highlight what actions Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPIs) are taking to tear down racism. A film screening of the 2018 Academy Award for Best Documentary Feature Nominee Abacus: Small Enough to Jail will be shown, followed by a brief discussion on how the film combats racial disparity and oppression in the Asian communities. Light refreshments will be served.
Host: IU School of Education, 21st Century Scholars Program

Saturday, April 7
Korean Night
12:30 – 7 p.m.
Willkie Auditorium
This event will feature an array of exciting cultural activities and performances including a Neo-traditional Korean Music Ensemble Badi with Pansori singer Danhae Oh. The six members of Badi will bring a unique musical experience filled with modern and traditional harmonies.
Host: East Asian Studies Center, School of Global and International Studies

Saturday, April 7
The Well-Tempered Clavier: A New Play Reading
3 p.m.
IU Department of Theatre, Drama, and Contemporary Dance, Room A200
Join us for a reading of a new play by MFA candidate Kaela Mei-Shing Garvin. The Well-Tempered Clavier is an autobiographical comedy about a Chinese American family over 20 years, four weddings, and a funeral.
Host: The Playwriting MFA Department

Saturday, April 7
Movement: Asian/Pacific America Film Series: Motherland
7 p.m.
IU Cinema, 1213 E. 7th Street
This unique film takes viewers into the heart of one of the busiest maternity hospitals in one of the world’s poorest and most populous country: the Philippines. The central characters share their stories with other mothers, their families, doctors, and social workers, while each draws upon the optimism, honesty, and humor that will sustain them in the years ahead.
Host: IU Cinema, Asian Culture Center, Asian American Studies Program

Sunday, April 8
Movement: Asian/Pacific America Film Series: Gook
6:30 p.m.
IU Cinema, 1213 E. 7th Street
This film explores the world of Eli and Daniel, two Korean American brothers who own a struggling women’s shoe store, and their unlikely friendship with 11-year-old Kamilla, an African American child. When the L.A. riots unfold in 1992, the trio must defend the store while contemplating the meaning of family and their dreams for the future.
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Monday, April 9
Poetry, Books & Jams Slam
7:30 p.m.
Teter Quad, Nest
Whether it’s poetry, song selections, or a speech, your voice matters. The goals for the Poetry, Books & Jams are to present a diverse set of voices from a variety of demographics, pursue respect on campus through language and performance art, discuss both discrimination and identities on campus, and address elements of oppression that still persist within our own languages.
Host: Respect committee from Culture of Care

Tuesday, April 10
Chinese Tea Ceremony Demonstration and Workshop
4 – 5 p.m.
IU Asian Culture Center
More and more people are starting to realize the health benefits of green tea. During this Chinese Tea Workshop, which will be led by Yuexin Li, a second-year Master’s student in arts administration, participants will learn how to properly brew green tea. The demonstration will consist of two parts: whisking tea—a way of brewing Matcha green tea—and modern tea art of green tea brewing.
Host: IU Asian Culture Center
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Tuesday, April 10
Launching of Hearabouts: Asian American Midwest Radio
5:30 – 6 p.m.
This is a collaborative program between WFHB community radio (98.1 FM) and the IU Asian Culture Center. The program offers a forum for discussion and dialogue around issues of importance to Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in Bloomington and in South Central Indiana. The 30-minute show is a mix of live radio, recorded interviews/content segments (e.g., edited lectures/discussions, slam poetry, etc.), and music.
Host: WFHB Community Radio, IU Asian Culture Center

Thursday, April 12
Breaking the Bamboo Ceiling: Celebrating Asian Pacific American Success in the Law
4:30 – 5:30 p.m., panel, 6 – 7 p.m., networking IU Maurer School of Law, Room 125
This panel discussion features Judge Mike Witte, the first Asian American judge in Indiana, Nick Huang, president of the Asian Pacific American Bar Association of Indiana, Haroon Anwar, Faegre Baker Daniels, LLP, and Lun Pieper from the Marion County Prosecutor’s Office. The panelists will discuss the different stereotypes that Asian Pacific Americans encounter in the legal field and ways we can empower each other to overcome them. Dinner will be provided and a networking reception to follow!
Host: Asian Pacific American Law Student Association at IU

Friday, Saturday, April 13, 14
DestinAsian Chicago: Learning on the Road
This educational field trip will provide IU students an opportunity to explore the topics of Asian American history, immigration, activism, and the arts through meetings, lectures, and cultural tours. It will include a panel discussion with students from the University of Illinois at Chicago and meetings with members of the Japanese American Historical Society and Asian Americans Advancing for Justice. To apply, go to https://iu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9zuSUv86FpwzMWX
Applications due March 26.
Host: Asian Culture Center, CommUNITY Education Program (RPS)

Saturday, April 14
IU FAA’s Filipino Culture Night
6 – 9 p.m.
Briscoe Residence Hall, Activity Room
Join IU’s Filipino American Association in its 4th annual Filipino Culture Night. The festive night will consist of traditional dance performances, musical acts and food; each area giving insight into life within the Philippines. Hope to see you there!
Tickets: $5 IU students pre-sale/$7 at the door. $10 Non-IU students pre-sale/$12 at the door
Host: Filipino American Association

Sunday, April 15
Bengali Night 2018
4 – 6 p.m.
Indiana Memorial Union, Alumni Hall
This celebration of the Bengali New Year represents Bengali culture and festivals through traditional music, fashion shows, dances, recitations, and plays.
Host: Bangladesh Student Association

Monday, April 16
Asian and Latin American Fusion
7 – 8 p.m.
La Casa
This will be a cooking demonstration featuring Chifa. Chifa is culinary tradition based on Chinese-Cantonese elements fused with traditional Peruvian ingredients and traditions. Though originating in Peru, the Chifa tradition has been adopted by neighboring countries of Ecuador and Bolivia.
Host: La Casa, Latino Cultural Center

Tuesday, April 17
End of the Year Student Recognition
6 – 7:30 p.m.
Indiana Memorial Union, Tudor Room
The Student Recognition Banquet is a three-in-one annual celebration held to recognize graduating students as new IU alumni, to recognize the Asian and Asian American student leaders at IU for their contributions to the university, and to appreciate the volunteers of the ACC. By invitation only.
Host: IU Asian Culture Center, Office of the Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and Multicultural Affairs, IU Asian Alumni Association

Thursday, April 21
Korean Conversation Club (KCC) International Potluck Party
6 – 8 p.m.
School of Global and International Studies, Room 2067
An international potluck where everyone is welcome! You are encouraged to bring cultural food, but any contribution is appreciated!
Host: Korean Conversation Club

Friday, April 27
Asian American Studies Recognition Reception
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
The College of Arts & Humanities Institute (CAHI)
This event features AAST student honorees and special presenters, readings, and screenings.
Host: Asian American Studies Program