

# Asian American & Asian Resource and Cultural Center Weekly Newsletter Fall 2019 Review Edition December 13, 2019

#### **Message from the Interim Director**

Greetings to Friends of the AAARCC,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. As finals week comes to a close, all of us at the AAARCC hope that your semester has been rewarding. I would like to take the time to express my gratitude to all of you for your partnership and generous support to the AAARCC this Fall 2019. In the new year, we look forward to sharing with you what we have been planning for Spring 2020 semester, which will also be the AAARCC's 5th Year Anniversary.

Wishing you a safe and wonderful holiday season!

Pamela K. Sari, Ph.D.

#### Message from the AAARCC

- Faculty members, Graduate Assistants, Teaching Assistants who hold office hours are encouraged to consider reserving the conference room on the second level of the AAARCC. To check the availability of the space, please contact the center via email at: aaarcc@purdue.edu.
- If you would like your event advertised, please submit it to aaarcc@purdue.edu by Wednesday to be featured on our next week's edition.

## Student Volunteer Opportunities for the Division of Diversity & Inclusion (DDI) Events Spring 2020

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In Spring 2020, The Division of Diversity and Inclusion is organizing programmatic activities with the

theme Democracy, Civility, and Freedom of Expression, with a full schedule here.

If you would like to be involved as event volunteers (ushering, escorting guests around campus, posting flyers, acting as "runners" during events, handing out programs, etc.), please contact Zaliyah O. Johnson at john2639@purdue.edu.

#### **Reflecting on AAARCC Events**



AAARCC Open House Held: 8/23/19

The AAARCC welcomed in the new school year by hosting an Open House early in the semester. At the event, the Division of Diversity and Inclusion announced the appointment of Dr. Pamela Sari as the new Interim Director of the AAARCC.



Fall 2019 Lunch & Learn Series Held Weekly on Thursdays from 8/29 - 11/21

Throughout the semester, the AAARCC hosted 12 Lunch & Learn programs with a speakers presenting on diverse array of topics. We are very grateful for the opportunity to build and strengthen the community that we serve through our programs.



**Lunch with Tibetan Monks Held: 09/10/19** 

The AAARCC hosted a lunch at the center with Tibetan Monks who were visiting Purdue University as part of the National Tibetan Sacred Arts Tour Exhibition.



Carlito Camahalan Amalla An Evening of Learning about the Agusanon Manobo Indigenous Community Held: 09/16/19

Along with the Department of Anthropology and the Purdue Filipino Club, the AAARCC Co-Sponsored Carlito Camahalan Amalla's visit to Purdue University. We appreciated the amazing performance and the opportunity to learn more about the Agusanon Manobo Indigenous community.



Mirai Nagasu: Defining Our Own Success Held: 09/17/19

AAARCC hosted Olympic figure skater Mirai Nagasu who shared about her experiences of trials and triumphs as a world class athlete identifying as Japanese American. We appreciated her openness and the generosity of her time for our community.



Model Minority Myth Panned Discussion Held: 10/15/19

The AAARCC and the BCC collaborated in a panel discussion on the model minority myth. We appreciated having the space and opportunity to share our perspectives with the Purdue campus community.



Technology, Business, Design and Social Change: Story of An Asian American Entrepreneur

Held: 10/17/19

The AAARCC hosted Kay Makishi, Founder of Makishi Apparel who shared about the experiences that has shaped the way she approaches life and resiliency.



Is there an Asian American Vote? Evaluating Dimensions of Diversity & Unity Among the Asian American Voters Held: 10/25/19

The AAARCC Co-Sponsored Natalie Masuoka's visit to Purdue University, hosted by the Asian American Studies Program. We appreciated her insight into the voting behaviors and patterns found among the Asian American community.



One World One Purdue 2019 Held Between: 11/4 - 11/21

Supporting the One World One Purdue initiative, the AAARCC participated in the program as event hosts.



Reali-Tea: Conversation on Well-Being and Resiliency

Held: 11/13/19

Recognizing the increased need to discuss openly about the reality of mental health among the Asian and Asian American population, the AAARCC hosted staff members from the Purdue Counseling and Psychological Services to dispel stigmas and myths associated with mental health.



Diaspora: Navigating Asian American Identity in America

Held: 11/13/19

The Vietnamese Student Association (collaboration with the Asian American Studies Program and the AAARCC) organized the Diaspora event to talk about stories of immigration among Purdue Asian/American communities.



A Flow of Tranquility: A Showcase of Traditional Chinese Paintings Featuring Guest Artist Jiaping Zhao Held between 11/21 - 12/6

The AAARCC hosted a special gallery featuring the beautiful traditional Chinese paintings of artist Jiaping Zhao. Thank you to everyone who paid us a visit to enjoy the artwork!



AAARCC De-stress Week Held: 12/2 - 12/6

Recognizing it's a busy time of the year for our community, the AAARCC hosted our regular end of the semester De-Stress Week of Events!



### End of Semester Open House & Graduation Celebration Held: 12/6/19

To round off the end of the Fall Semester, the AAARCC hosted an event celebrating the end of the semester and honor our Fall graduates.

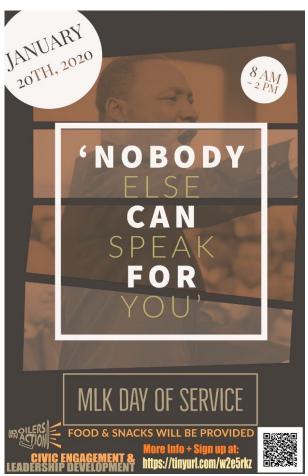


American Revolutionary: The Evolution of Grace Lee Boggs Held: 12/6/19

In collaboration with Professor TJ Boisseau (Amelia Earhart Faculty-in-Residence 2019-2020), alpha

Kappa Delta Phi, Asian American Association, and Japan Student Association, the AAARCC hosted a showing of this documentary.

#### **Campus Events**



Nobody Else Can Speak For You: MLK Day of

Service

Date: January 20, 2020 Time: 8 AM - 2 PM

Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service honors the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr., and Purdue celebrates this day by serving at local agencies working to impact positive change in the community. Students at Purdue and 8:00AM-2:00PM. Breakfast and transportation will be provided. Sign up here!

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