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East Asian Studies Center

eNewsletter

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May is Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month and in celebration, the **USC Asian Pacific Islander Faculty and Staff Association (APIFSA)**, in partnership with the USC Libraries and USC East Asian Studies Center, invited the USC community to a virtual screening of *Minari* on May 4, along with a pre-recorded Q&A with the director and actors. **Linda Truong** and **Grace Ryu**, APIFSA Co-Chairs, would like to thank the USC community for their support for APIFSA and the API community. If you are interested in joining APIFSA, please email apifsa@usc.edu.

Summer 2021 ACE-Nikaido Fellows

Congratulations to our Summer 2021 Association for Japan-U.S. Community Exchange (ACE) - Nikaido Fellowship awardees! This summer, EASC awarded six graduate students to conduct research, participate in Japanese language training and finalize visual media projects involving Japan in a comparative context.



Awardees

Yuji Idomoto (PhD) - *Political Science and International Relations*

Sam Ikehara (PhD) - *American Studies and Ethnicity*

Rio Katayama (PhD) - *East Asian Languages and Cultures*

Wakae Nakane (PhD) - *Cinema and Media Studies*

Lina Nie (PhD) - History

Curtis Tamm (PhD) - Media Arts and Practice



EVENT REMINDER

EASC Virtual Celebration Reception

Thursday, May 13 | 1:30PM (PDT)

The USC East Asian Studies Center will host a virtual celebration reception on **Thursday, May 13 at 1:30PM (PDT)** to celebrate our 2021 East Asian Area Studies graduates. Invitations for the [EASC Virtual Celebration Reception](#) will be sent to our graduates.

USC Dornsife Commencement 2021 Schedule

USC Dornsife Virtual Ceremony - 10:30 AM PDT - Thursday, May 13, 2021

EASC Celebration Reception - 1:30 PM PDT - Thursday, May 13, 2021

USC Dornsife In-Person Ceremony - Saturday, May 15, 2021

Please visit the [USC Commencement website](#) for more information on the virtual and in-person ceremonies.

EVENT WRAP

From Foundations to Frontiers Chinese American Contributions to the Fabric of America

Thank you for attending the [From Foundations to Frontiers: Chinese American Contributions to the Fabric of America](#) presentation last Wednesday! *Committee of*

100 member and former State Treasurer of California, **John Chiang**, and USC Associates Chair in Social Sciences and Professor of Political Science and Gender and Sexuality Studies, **Jane Junn**, led a wonderful discussion on the enduring contributions of Chinese Americans to American society from the 1800s to today across several industries. Moderated by EASC Director, **Sonya Lee**, this timely discussion addressed the roots of Anti-Asian hate in society today.



HomeBase - Textbook Exchange

[USC HomeBase](#) is a newly registered student organization by low-income students for low-income students, unaffiliated with any national organization. They are primarily focused on the needs of self-identified low-income students at USC. This organization offers opportunities and resources specific to the USC low-income experience, as well as a social space for our members to connect. HomeBase launched a textbook exchange program and is taking donations of textbooks to be loaned out to students at USC on an as-needed basis.

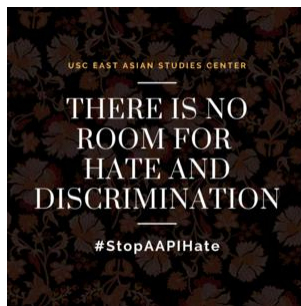
Students can donate or request a textbook using this [Google form](#). Any questions can also be redirected to homebaseusc@gmail.com.

CALL FOR PAPERS

New York Conference on Asian Studies: Asian Lives/Asian Studies in the Post Pandemic Era

Deadline: June 15, 2021

In association with the New York Conference on Asian Studies (NYCAS), SUNY-Brockport will host the 2021 NYCAS Conference centered on the theme of "Asian Lives/Asian Studies in the Post Pandemic Era." The conference is open to all and will consist of two days of sessions on areas concerning Asian Studies. They are accepting proposals for traditional or non-traditional panels, individual papers, roundtables, workshops and educationally-related performances. Graduate student and advanced undergraduate participation is highly encouraged. Please use the proposal submission form found on the Brockport NYCAS 2021 [website](#). The deadline for submissions is June 15, 2021.



API/AAPI/APIDA Resources

JOINT STATEMENT ON ANTI-ASIAN HATE AND VIOLENCE EASC WEBSITE

We hope you are staying safe and taking care of your well-being and health. Please read EASC's [joint statement](#) and visit our [EASC website](#) for more safety resources, bystander intervention workshops, links to USC faculty statements and interviews on stopping anti-asian hate as well as recently published articles in USC News. Fight on.

Virtual Events Around USC, CA & Beyond

Prophecy in Time and Place: Reading "The Prophecy of the Arhat of Khotan" as a Ring Composition Webinar - Talk Meghan Howard
Wednesday, May 5 | 12:00PM - 2:00PM | Berkeley Institute of East Asian Studies | [Register](#)

Sherman Family Korea Emerging Scholar Lecture 2021 - Talk by Aram Hur
Thursday, May 6 | 12:00PM | The Korea Society | [Register](#)

[Revolutionary Bodies: Chinese Dance and the Socialist Legacy](#) - Talk by Emily Wilcox
Thursday, May 6 | 3:00PM | University of Chicago Center for East Asian Studies | [Register](#)

Standing Against Racism in the Time of COVID: A Conversation on Activism
Thursday, May 6 | 5:30PM - 6:30PM | Asia Society | [Register](#)

The Membranes and Queer Literature in Taiwan - Talk by Chi Ta-wei and Ari Larissa Heinrich
Thursday, May 6 | 6:00PM - 8:00PM | UCLA Center for Chinese Studies | [Register](#)

Asia Society at the Movies: Who Killed Vincent Chin?
Friday, May 7 - Monday, May 10 | 2:00PM - 2:00PM & 5:00PM-6:00PM | Asia Society | [Film](#)

Dreaming DMZ: A Guide to Division for the South Korean Child - Talk by Dafna Zur
Friday, May 7 | 3:00PM - 4:30PM | UCI Center for Critical Korean Studies | [Register](#)

Peripheral Modernism in the Global Context: Art and Society in Taiwan Conference
Friday, May 7 - Saturday, May 8 | 3:30PM - 8:55PM | UCLA Asia Pacific Center | [Register](#)

Harry Shum Jr. - In Conversation with Viet Thanh Nguyen
Saturday, May 8 | 5:00PM | USC Visions & Voices | [Register](#)

Question 27, Question 28 by Chay Yew, directed by Jully Lee
Saturday, May 8 - Friday, May 21 | All day | Japanese American National Museum | [Link](#)

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