# Tuesday, August 30th, 2022



# ASIAN AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLANDER RESOURCE CENTER



to meet with AAPI students before the performance tonight, 6:30p-7:00p in the SUB Theater. All AAPI undergraduate and graduate students and alumni are welcome to join. If you are planning on coming, we'd appreciate it if you could fill out this form so we know how many people to expect! Happy Monday Lobos! First, we want to thank you for an amazing turn out at our Boba Tea Social! Read more about how AAPIRC's first Welcome Back went below.

We have three very exciting events happening in the next two weeks.

- TODAY, Tuesday, August 30th 7pm: The Asia Project is coming to UNM and offering a special opportunity for AAPI students
  - Tuesday, September 6th, 3pm: Our 1,000 Crane for AAPIRC project is kicking off with a fun event next week
- Wednesday, September 7th, 4pm: Orientalism Reading Group is launching with introductions and food.

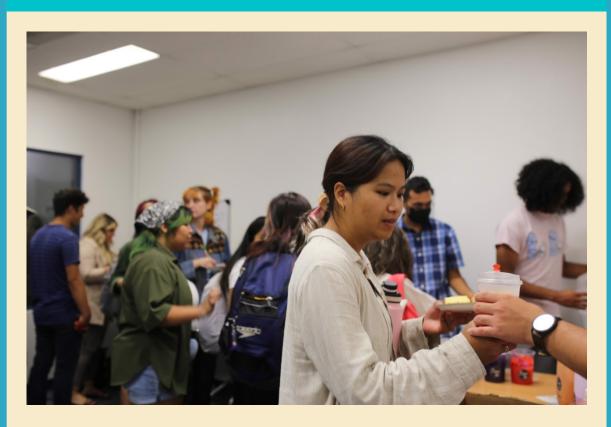
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Stay tuned for additional events happening in September:

- Tuesday, September 13th: Language Appreciation Circles
   Launch
- Thursday, September 22nd: Critical Race Workshop with Dr. Vinay Harpalani

We hope to see you at our upcoming events and, as always, thank you for you support!

#### **AAPIRC Welcome Back!**



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Our first ever Welcome Back Week was a giant success! **Thank you** everyone who came out to support us at our boba social and tabling events. We know the boba tea was a big hit and it will be returning next year for an even better event. See you then!

# The Asia Project -Tuesday, August 30th, 7pm

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"Who we are and who we are meant to become is a collection of constant creation and revision. I am still a work in progress"

-- Asia Samson

#### AAPIRC is very excited to help SAC welcome The Asia Project to UNM! Read more about The Asia Project below:

"Since 2009, **The Asia Project has toured over 2000 colleges** with an acoustic music poetry act that has amazed audiences all over the country. On the microphone is **Asia Samson: writer, poet and part-time ninja**. He has been seen on HBO Def Poetry Jam and has shared the stage with such artists as Janelle Monae, Jill Scott, DMX, Mos Def, Dead Prez and KRS-One. Accompanying him on the guitar is his brother-in-law **Jollan who uses music to create an atmosphere that brings poetry to emotional levels you would never expect.** They have been featured on HBO Def Poetry, Button Poetry, TEDx, NPR's Tiny Desk Contest, SoFar Sounds, Story Conference, and Entrepreneur's Organization. They have worked with companies such as the US Military, Nokia, Disney, To Write Love On Her Arms and AEvolve. They have broken college-booking records for **the most booked poetry act in the college market** garnering them the awards of APCA College Performer of the Year and thrice APCA Spoken Word Artist of the Year. Check out his performance <u>https://youtu.be/RhyfRkwVtsg</u>" (TheAsiaProject.com)

### RSVP for 1,000 Cranes for AAPIRC Project -Tuesday, September 6th, 3p-5p

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Tuesday, September 6th 3-5pm | AAPIRC (Education Classrooms #212)

Japanese cakes, drinks, and snacks to be served
A reading and discussion on *Sadako* by Eleanor Coerr
Start the journey to 1,000 cranes!

AAPIRC is starting an exciting new program on **Tuesday, September 6th at 3pm**. A Japanese legend says that origami cranes (*orizuru*) folded into a group of 1,000 (*senbazuru*) will grant the folder one wish. Everyone--**students, staff, faculty, community members**--are invited to help us reach 1,000 cranes. We will then create a permanent art piece for AAPIRC which will represent **our wish that AAPIRC and the entire AAPI community continue to thrive and be recognized in the face of prejudice and unjustified hate**. This project will include a series of events, **including conversations and presentations on New Mexico's role in Japanese internment**  and the creation of the atomic bomb. We hope to see you at our kick-off event to learn more about this program! We are very excited that the Japanese Language and Culture Club is back on campus! We will be partnering with them for this program. Make sure to come to the kick off event to hear from officers of the club.

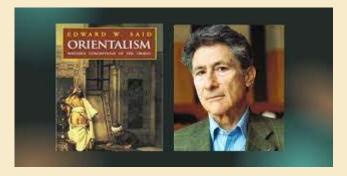
If you plan on coming to this event, please complete this form to RSVP

## *Orientalism* Launch -Wednesday, September 7th, 4p-5:30p

We are officially launching our Orientalism Reading Club next week! Meeting **weekly on Wednesdays from 4pm-5:30pm**, members of this club will read and discuss *Orientalism* by Edward Said.

It isn't too late to sign up! Fill out this form to let us know that you're interested in joining the club.

Already signed up? Shoot us an email at aapirc@unm.edu to confrim that you'll be at the launch event so we can order enough food.



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