

Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month



AAPI Lecture Lunch

Hyepin Im, speaker Tuesday, April 11 | 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Ullman Conference Center 100

The office of Campus Ministry will host an Asian American and Pacific Islander Lecture Lunch featuring Hyepin Im, president and founder of Faith and Community Empowerment (FACE), who will speak about "Combatting the Model Minority Myth: Building Solidarity."

Since the 1960s, when *Time Magazine* depicted AAPI communities as model minorities doing well in this country, the AAPI community has carried the undue burden of being pitted against other minority communities. Over 50 groups and 100 languages fall under the umbrella of the AAPI label, and the label masks the suffering of many of the AAPI subgroups who are in similar situations with other underserved communities. As a result, the myth robs the AAPI community of needed investments and attention as well as solidarity with other communities of color.

The lunch event is free, but reservations are required. To RSVP, visit https://tinyurl.com/AAPI-Lecture-Lunch.

Popular Asian Dishes

Wednesdays, April 12, 19, 26 | 11 a.m.-2 p.m. *Ullman Dining*

Join us in Ullman Dining on Wednesdays in April as Sodexo showcases a variety of AAPI-inspired dishes for the campus community to enjoy during lunch.

University Chapel

Thursdays, April 13, 20, 27 | 11:25 a.m.-12:25 p.m. Samuelson Chapel

The Cal Lutheran Campus Ministry team invites all to participate in our AAPI Chapel Services as we celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month during April. We will honor and reflect the rich heritage of AAPI culture through our liturgies and music. We, as a beloved community, hope to celebrate with gratitude the heritage of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders.

Kūpa'a Hawai'i Club Luau

Thursday, April 13 | 4-9 p.m. *Gilbert Arena*

Come enjoy the annual Kūpa'a Hawai'i Club Luau with great food, entertainment and more! This is a campuswide event, and all are welcome. Please check The Hub for more details and ticket information.

This event is sponsored by Kūpa'a Hawai'i Club and Student Life.

CCEI Coffee Chats: Asian American and Pacific Islander Identity

Wednesdays, April 12, 19 and 26 | 12-2 p.m. Center for Cultural Engagement and Inclusion

Join the Center for Cultural Engagement and Inclusion as we enjoy refreshments and discuss various AAPI issues, including generational trauma and violence against the AAPI community.

Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month Kickoff

Friday, April 14 | 12-2 p.m. Kingsmen Park

Join us for the AAPI Heritage Month kickoff lunch in Kingsmen Park for performances, activities and food by Masarap Lumpia (creator of the original Vegan Ube Dessert Box and Vegan Flavors of the Philippines). Students, staff and faculty are welcome to join us for the kickoff celebration!

This event is sponsored by the office of Talent, Culture and Diversity and Student Life.

Asian and Pacific Islander Employee and Student Mixer

Wednesday, April 19 | 3-5 p.m. *Pepper Grove*

The Asian and Pacific Islander (API) Employee Group invites you to stop by the Pepper Grove to connect with us and learn more about our work on campus to support and build community

between students, faculty and staff. Light appetizers and refreshments will be provided.

This event is sponsored by the Office of Talent, Culture and Diversity and coordinated in partnership with API Employee Group.

Reclaiming Our Hidden History

Miko Lee, speaker

Thursday, April 20 | 12:30-2 p.m.

Swenson Center for Social and Behavioral Sciences 119

Miko Lee is an activist, storyteller and educator who believes in the power of story to amplify voices. She will debunk the quiet and subservient Asian American model minority myth with stories of the community's history of activism and solidarity. She believes the only way to envision a new future, is to remember the radical past and move forward together.



Lee is director of programs for Asian Americans for Civil Rights and Equality and is lead producer of APEX Express on KPFA Radio, which focuses on AAPI activists and artists. She is on the National Advisory Committee of Teaching Artists Guild. Her career has been rooted in the nonprofit world, first as a theater actor, director and writer, then as an artistic director and arts education leader.

Light appetizers and refreshments will be provided. To RSVP, visit https://tinyurl.com/26axes8f.

This event is sponsored by the office of Talent, Culture and Diversity in partnership with the Ethnic and Race Studies Department.

University Chapel with special guest Russell Jeung, PhD

Thursday, April 27 | 11:25 a.m.

Samuelson Chapel and Zoom

The office of Campus Ministry invites our beloved community to join our Asian American and Pacific Islander Chapel Service. Special guest Russell Jeung, PhD, will speak about his book and his efforts in the AAPI community to highlight resources for those experiencing discrimination related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Jeung graduated from Stanford University with a BS in human biology and a MA in education. He worked in China and in the San Francisco Mayor's Office before earning a PhD in sociology from UC Berkeley. Jeung started the Stop AAPI Hate project in 2020 as a collaborative effort to highlight COVID-19-related discrimination and provide tracking to develop racism-fighting community resources and policy interventions. In 2016, he published a book titled *At Home in Exile: Finding Jesus Among My Ancestors and Refugee Neighbors* in which he provides wisdom and hope for Christians engaging in the major, societal issues of our day: mass displacement and poverty, racism, and persistent inequality.

To watch the livestream, visit CalLutheran.edu/live.

Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Night Market

Thursday, April 27 | 5-7 p.m.

Memorial Park

The AAPI Night Market will feature AAPI food trucks, vendors, activities and performances aimed at bringing awareness to the cultures and highlight elements that are important to AAPI communities.

This event is sponsored by Student Life, the Center for Cultural Engagement and Inclusion, FILO Club and Streets of Vintage.