

# May 2024 House of China Newsletter

#### **Celebrating Asian Heritage Month - May 2024**

By Natasha Wong, President of the House of China

In May, we celebrate Asian Heritage Month by recognizing the contributions and achievements of Asian Americans to our country and the San Diego community. Early Asian settlers, mostly Chinese, came to San Diego in the mid-1800s and became cheap laborers, such as cooks, fisherman, and farmers. Not until the eradication of the Chinese Exclusion Act in the 1940s were Asians able to settle and raise their families. Asian Americans embraced life in America, and many have become leaders in areas like business, government, education, and politics. We are proud to call ourselves Americans!

Some of the best ways you might choose to celebrate Asian Heritage Month might be to learn to cook a new Chinese recipe, watch a Chinese movie with some friends, or read a book from a Chinese author. There are many ways to participate, and some of the best ways are to get involved with the many events in happening in San Diego.

On May 17<sup>th</sup>, Balboa Park's Mingei Museum will host a Coffee and Conversation lecture on Chinese Tea. Professor Dr. Lilly Cheng will explain the historical and cultural significance of tea. Learn how tea is a great human connector!

On May 18<sup>th</sup>, the Balboa Park International Cottages will celebrate Asian Heritage Month. This is a popular event with many local food and merchandise vendors. We will also have lion dancers and music performances. Come and try Asian dumplings or discover a new flavor of boba tea!

On June 8<sup>th</sup>, the House of China will hold our annual Chinese Essay Contest Award ceremony. We recognize the best essay submissions from Chinese study students in San Diego. For more than 29 years, this is part of the House of China's mission to promote our culture and language with the younger generation.

However you and your family decide to celebrate Asian Heritage Month, we hope that you will find ways to enjoy and learn more about Chinese arts, culture, traditions, and history.

### **Cups to Connections: Global Hospitality**



We along with other International Cottages are part of the Mingei Museum Balboa Park - *Cups to Connections* exhibit until August 11.

**Cups to Connections: Global Gestures of Hospitality** *embraces the art of hospitality and how* the act of sharing a drink has the extraordinary power to bring people together, fostering a deep sense of community and belonging. Highlighting a wide range of global traditions, the objects in **Cups to Connections** tell the stories of heritage and craft from across time and cultures. Hospitality is the bridge that forges connections – each custom unique, yet the act of inviting others to join for a beverage, a universal language. - Mingei Museum

Discount code: **CoffeeOrTea** For \$8 admission or \$5 for Seniors, students.

#### **BONUS** LECTURE

#### **Art Break**

Cups to Connections: The Magic of a Cup of Tea PART OF THE ART BREAK SERIES

May 17, 2024 10:30 – 11:30am

Mingei International Museum

Registration Requested

https://mingei.org/events/lecture/art-break-12





International Cottages Lawn Program in Balboa Park

Saturday, May 18, 2024 11:00 am to 4:00 pm





Cultural and traditional performances
representing cultures and countries
from around Asia and the Pacific
in celebration and honor of
Asian Pacific American Heritage Month







in association with Korean-American, Pakistani-American, and Vietnamese-American Communities



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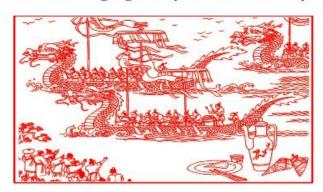


# 中國館

## 中文作文比賽獎學金頒獎典禮

## HOUSE OF CHINA

Chinese Language Essay Awards Ceremony



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# 中華聯合基督教會

Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 12 Noon Chinese Community Church 4998 Via Valarta, San Diego, CA 92124

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Ticket Reservations by 6/1/2024 please		No. Tickets	Total Enclosed
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