



The month of May is Asian Pacific American Heritage Month (APAHM), a time to celebrate the contributions made by Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and reflect on what it means to be a part of the AAPI community. In honor of APAHM, the National Association of Asian American Professionals is hosting a variety of events to honor AAPI heritage and continue to promote AAPI excellence and leadership. Not all chapters are shown. www.naaap.org

ATLANTA

NAAAP Atlanta got ahead of the game, hosting a “Business of Diversity” event in April at which a capacity crowd of 120 business leaders discussed the importance of Asian Pacific American Heritage month and its upcoming programming. NAAAP Atlanta will also be hosting a Braves networking night event on May 15, when the Braves take on the St. Louis Cardinals. On May 29, NAAAP Atlanta is partnering with the Bank of America to host a presentation skills workshop to brush up for that pitch! Allen.chen@naaapatlanta.org

BOSTON

On May 7, NAAAP Boston’s Women in NAAAP will be hosting a “Unleashing the Quiet Strength Within” workshop. This professional development workshop will examine the unique value that introverts bring to the table. On May 23, NAAAP Boston will host a Toastmasters session with a focus on Asian identity. Suwan.lee@naaapboston.org

CHICAGO

On May 16, NAAAP Chicago will be hosting its annual APAHM celebration at CIBC Bank with the theme of “Creating Influence as an Asian American Leader.” The event will include an executive panel featuring local AAPI business leaders. Rose_olea@naaapchicago.org

DETROIT

To observe APAHM, NAAAP Detroit along with the Michigan Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission and APIA Vote will host a Field Day on 5/9 on Capitol Hill for members to meet State Legislators and hear from Governor Gretchen Whitmer. Tchen@naaapdetroit.org

KANSAS CITY

On May 1, NAAAP-KC will host its second Sparkle Party, a friend-raising preview of NAAAP’s Leadership Convention heading to Kansas City in August. Also, on May 3, as part of their D&I at Nite outreach program, NAAAP-KC and Hallmark’s Military Interest Group will attend a performance of Logan Black’s Bond: A Soldier and His Dog at the Unicorn Theatre. Junann.lopez@naaap.org

MIAMI

The chapters kicked off APAHM with a picnic on April 28. Additionally, NAAAP Miami is hosting three programs for 10 Days of Connection, a Miami-Dade County program promoting understanding across cultural lines: Connecting through Cuisines on May 4, Ask an Asian Panel on May 9, and Thirsty Third Thursday happy hour on May 16. Sean.lam@naaapmiami.org

MILWAUKEE

Milwaukee's NAAAP Chapter will be hosting professional development activities on May 14 and May 20. On May 24 they will be hosting their Manpower Asian Heritage Month event and their Refinitiv (Thomson Reuters) Asian Heritage Month event on May 30. gdhaks@gmail.com

MINNESOTA

NAAAP Minnesota is hosting a Food Crawl all day on May 19 in Minneapolis, featuring Sushi Tango, Sencha and Hoban. All attendees sample new foods and network for nine hours. Additionally, MN is creating short films of each restaurant owner to share their AAPI story and what their culture means to them. William.cheng@naaap.org

NEW YORK

On May 22, NAAAP NY will be hosting *Sweet & Savory Sounds* at the Museum of Chinese in America (MOCA), in partnership with Macy's and AXA! 175 people are expected for music, art, and networking. Susan.im@naaapny.org

RTP

NAAAP's Research Triangle Park chapter has established the first AAPI GoalFriends group, which will meet for its third time on May 19. GoalFriends are small groups of women who hold one another accountable for writing and achieving goals. This GF group's members discuss travel, wellness, careers, and raising multi-cultural children. The group plans a yoga retreat and tri-generational story-writing group for the future. Jeanie.chang@naaap.org

SOCAL LOS ANGELES

NAAAP LA is hosting an "Engage an Audience Using Improv" workshop on May 1, featuring AAPI comedians Kiki and PK of Crazy 'Woke' Asians and Jonny Kim, regional manager at US Bank. Audience members will compete in an improv group activity to win prizes. Speakers will also offer insight into how they've used improv in public speaking. Lance@naaapsocal.org

SOCAL ORANGE COUNTY

NAAAP's Orange County chapter will be partnering with the Orange County Asian & Pacific Islander Community Alliance (OCAPICA) to host the first Annual Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Night at Angels Stadium of Anaheim. Aldo.halim@naaap.org

SOCAL SAN DIEGO

On May 4, NAAAP San Diego will be hosting Cultural Row booths at the 10th Annual Asian Cultural Festival of San Diego - San Diego's largest celebration of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month. Lauren@naaapsandiego.org

WASHINGTON, D.C.

On May 5, 2019, NAAAP DC will host "AAPI Salute to Service," bringing together a number of AAPI organizations to visit Arlington National Cemetery to lay a wreath at the tomb of the unknown soldier. Teresa.wong@naaapdc.org

