

Dear friends,

I hope your summer is sizzling! My younger kiddo and I are finishing up here in Vienna, saying fond farewells to our apartment and all our beautiful haunts of the past year, and looking forward to returning to the US.

We are thrilled and excited for the?Love in Taipei?movie release this summer! Today,?Entertainment Weekly?published an interview with our leads Ross Butler and Ashley Liao and me, along with some gorgeous first glimpses of the film. The piece announces the English language release dates: August 10 for the US and Canada, and August 11 for the UK and Australia. EW was my first national outlet to profile Loveboat, Taipei and I am beyond

thrilled to see this piece. Take a look at it?here!

Next month, I will be speaking at the OCA National Convention, Thursday, July 13, from 2:30-3:30 in the DC area. Registration for the OCA convention can be found?here. Looking forward to seeing you





Much more is coming about screenings, giveaways and tour, so please buckle up and enjoy the ride:)

Warmly, Abigail



## July Event

Thursday, July 13, 2023 - WASHINGTON DC: OCA National Convention, Speaker. Capitol Hilton, 1000 16th Street NW, Washington DC 2:30p ET. RSVP for this free event?here.

## Revised: OCA Celebrates 50th Anniversary at 2023 OCA National Convention in Washington, D.C.

OCA National Center

PRESS RELEASE

Washington, D.C. — OCA - Asian Pacific American Advocates, one of the nation's oldest AAPI social justice organizations, will be holding its 50th Anniversary National Convention on July 12 - 16, 2023 at the Capital Hilton in Washington, D.C. The 2023 convention, themed "Organize, Connect, Act!" will bring together thousands of OCA members, leaders, activists, and allies from across the country for five days of education, discussion, celebration, advocacy, and outreach.

"For 50 years, OCA has been the leading AAPI organization in America," said O-CA President Linda Ng. "We are proud to celebrate our golden anniversary in the nation's capital."

The National Convention programming includes events such as the OCA Day on the Hill on Thursday, as well as three town halls that will highlight coalition building, equitable

ic American Advocates Community Day of Ser-

vice, our chapter partnered with BigHearted

Blooms for a heartwarming initiative to spread

over 70 flower arrangements, which were then

delivered to Asian Evergreen Apartments and

During the event, OCAGC members made

joy and uplift the elders in AsiaTown.

access to healthcare and well-being, and civic engagement. Notable speakers for these town halls, and over 20 breakout sessions, include Erika Moritsugu, Helen Zia, Professor Janelle Wong, Curtis Chin, Professor Xiaoxing Xi, and many other government officials, community and academic

In addition, OCA will recognize some of the many outstanding individuals that embody the theme of "Organize, Connect, Act!" for their commitment and dedication to serving the Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander

leaders, and youth organizers.

communities. The following awards will be presented at the OCA Awards Gala on Saturday, July 15:

Outstanding Achievement Award Richard Lui, MSNBC anchor

Lifetime Achievement Award - Virginia Ng, Past -President - OCA -New Jersey (posthumous)

Pioneer Award -Jeremy Lin, NBA

Pioneer Award - Tamlyn Tomita, TV and film actor

Pioneer Award - Mini Timmaraju, President - NARAL Pro-Choice America Legacy Impact Award - Japanese American Citizens League

The conference is free and open to the public. RSVP is encouraged to reserve your seat, and full-package registrations to access our Friday evening concert and Saturday night Awards Gala are available online at ocanationalconvention.org.

Please direct all inquiries to OCA Communications Fellow Socheata Sun at socheata. sun@ocanational.org. View this press release on our website.

### OCA-Asian Pacific American Advocates is a national social justice organization of community advocates dedicated to improving the social, political, and economic well-being of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPIs). Learn more about our work at ocanational.org/about.

## **OCAGC Service Project: Delivering Joy**



St. Clair Place Apartments. With creativity and care, By spreading joy through beautiful bouquets, #OCA50Years the volunteers crafted a wide array of colorful bouquets, ensuring that each one was unique and personalized.

The recipients of these beautiful bouquets were the elder Asian community re-Apartments and St. Clair involved in the event. Place. The delivery of the

flowers brought immense joy and excitement to the recipients, who eagerly chose their own arrangements. The faces of the seniors lit up with happiness and gratitude as they received these thoughtful gestures.

OCA Greater Cleveland's Day of Service with BigHearted Blooms not only brightened the day of the seniors but also demonstrated the

power of small acts of kindness and inclusivity. #OCAGC40Years

the event fostered a sense of belonging, love, and respect within the community.

The colorful blooms and the heartfelt deliveries brought smiles and happiness to the recipients, leaving a lasting impact on both the community members and the siding at Asian Evergreen OCA Greater Cleveland volunteers

Special thanks to Margaret W. Wong & Associates for their generous donation to BigHearted Blooms for our Community Day of Service and their mission to brighten the day for those most in need of an emotional lift.

**#OCAdayofservice** #DeliveringJoy



