



Winter 2020 ASIAN AMERICAN & PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE CELEBRATION

Asian New Year Festival

Hosted by GVSU's Asian Student Union

Friday, February 14, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Russel H. Kirkhof Center, Grand River Room, Allendale Campus

Enjoy a spectacular festival that showcases the traditional Asian New Year celebration. The event highlights the richness and diversity of Asia by featuring an assortment of Asian ethnic cuisine and traditional performances including a lion dance, cultural fashion show and a variety of Asian ethnic dances.

Dispatches from Asia: Hong Kong, the Philippines and the Struggle for Human Rights

Julie McCarthy, International Correspondent, National Public Radio

Monday, February 17, 3:00-4:15 p.m.

Russel H. Kirkhof Center, 2215/2216 Room, Allendale Campus

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With a career spanning 25 years as a foreign correspondent, Julie McCarthy offers an on-the-ground assessment of a world where democracy is in peril and the struggle for human rights an ongoing challenge. A highly decorated journalist, McCarthy has covered Asia, Europe, Africa, the Middle East, and South America. She won a Peabody Award for her coverage of Pakistan, as well as additional awards throughout her career. Reporting from NPR's newly opened Manila Bureau, McCarthy will report on current events in the Philippines and Hong Kong, serving as case studies for larger conversations on the fight for human rights worldwide.

Phở Night

Hosted by GVSU's Vietnamese Cultural Association

Friday, February 21, 5:00-9:00 p.m.

Niemeyer Living Center, Multi-Purpose room, Allendale Campus

Come out and support the fundraising effort of Vietnamese Cultural Association and enjoy a bowl of authentic Phở. It is a Vietnamese soup consists rice noodles (bánh phở), up to ten variety of herbs, and meat – usually beef (phở bò), sometimes chicken (phở gà). It is a popular dish in Vietnam and served in restaurants around the world

The Road Less Traveled: Turning Obstacles Into Opportunities for Success

Dominic Pangborn, Artist and Designer

Thursday, March 12, 5:30-7:00 p.m. - Keynote

6:30-7:30 p.m. - Reception, snacks and beverages provided

Charles W. Loosemore Auditorium, Building E

DeVos Center, Pew Campus

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From humble beginnings, Dominic Pangborn is an internationally recognized artist and designer. Born during the Korean War, Pangborn never met his father, an American G.I. He lived with his mother, a Korean villager, for the majority of his childhood. When Catholic missionaries visited the village, he was sent to United States at the age of 10 and was adopted by the Pangborn family of Jackson, Michigan. Growing up as bi-racial, immigrant and adopted kid, Pangborn was constantly bullied throughout his childhood. His experiences led him to turn to art as an escape and a way to express his emotions.

Most recently, Pangborn was one of the artists invited to Korea to create the art for the 2018 Winter Olympics. In 2014, he was voted a top-five finalist in Grand Rapids ArtPrize, the international public art competition, among 1,500 entries. Major League Baseball's Miami Marlins franchise commissioned him to create a 40-foot 3D art sculpture as a feature in their new stadium in 2012. Pangborn was commissioned to create an artwork for the White House Fellows 50th Anniversary. Moreover, the Ella Sharp Museum of Michigan held a summer-long career retrospective "Evolution of Art & Design Through Revolution."

Asian Pacific Islander American Vote – Michigan

Rebeka Islam, Executive Director of APIAVote

Wednesday, March 18, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Russel H. Kirkhof Center, 2263 room, Allendale Campus

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What do issues of immigration, jobs, economy, health care and education have to do with the election? What are some challenges and opportunities of working with a multi-generational and multilingual community? How can college students get involved and be a part of the voting process? In this interactive workshop, participants will explore these questions and more to unlock the electoral power of voters.

Night Market

Hosted by GVSU's Asian Student Union

Friday, March 20, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Niemeyer Living Center, Multi-Purpose room, Allendale Campus

Hosted by the Asian interest organizations of GVSU, the Night Market is a fundraising event for student organizations. The Grand River room will be illuminated by a variety of booths selling traditional Asian clothing, snacks, drinks, trinkets, jewelries, accessories, etc. from different regions of Asia. Come support the students and enjoy the liveliness and colorful of a night market seen in South Korea, Vietnam, China and other countries.

R.I.C.E. Conference: Realizing and Addressing Issues in Our Culture and Education

Hosted by GVSU's Asian Student Union

Saturday, March 21, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Charles W. Loosemore Auditorium, Building E

DeVos Center, Pew Campus

The conference is free and open to the public. Registration is required. Contact April Nunn, nunna@mail.gvsu.edu for registration information. Lunch will be provided. Business casual attire is encouraged.

Sponsors: Asian Faculty and Staff Association, Asian Student Union, Campus Interfaith Resources, Delta Phi Lambda, East Asian Studies, Division of Inclusion and Equity, International Relations, Milton E. Ford LGBT Resource Center, Office of Multicultural Affairs, Political Science Department, Vietnamese Cultural Association.

Grand Valley State University is committed to a policy of equal access to programs, facilities and services. If you require additional assistance or accommodations, or to request a parking permit, contact the Office of Multicultural Affairs at (616) 331-2177. Events are free and open to the public. Visit www.gvsu.edu/oma for information.

The Feng Shui elements of wood, fire, earth, metal and water are incorporated into this design through their color representation. The colors interact between themselves to bring harmony and peace.

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