

# AAPI Language Lines

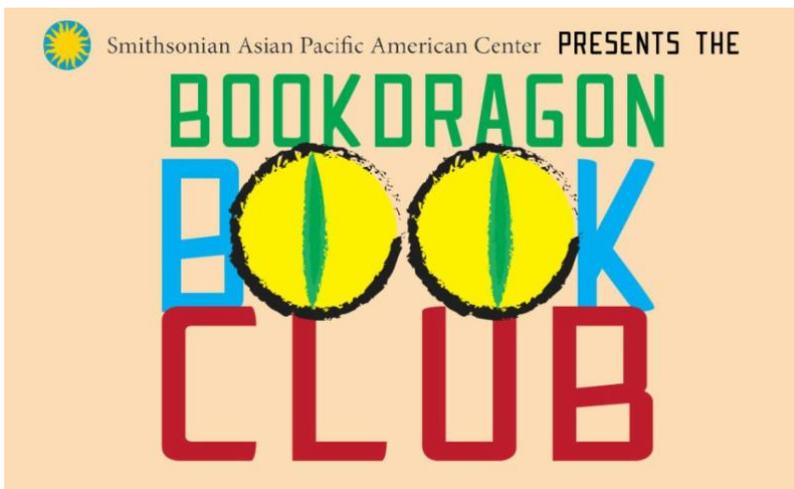
a newsletter on aapi and language access resources

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## FEATURE

Smithsonian Asian Pacific American Center BookDragon Book Club



## Language Access Program at OAPIA

**Providing Technical Assistance to all District agencies**

The Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs' Language Access Program is working towards building a global city where District programs and government services are delivered at a high level. The mission of OAPIA's Language Access Program is to help ensure District Agencies provide programs

The Smithsonian Asian Pacific American Center launched the BookDragon Book Club in August to highlight books by Asian American and Pacific Islander authors. The first book is "Pioneer Girl" by Bich Minh Nguyen and every month following the

Smithsonian will launch a new title with links about the book and to the author. On the first Tuesday every month the Smithsonian will host a virtual release of a new book with an online conversation about the book.

Go to [smithsonianapa.org/bookdragon/bookclub](http://smithsonianapa.org/bookdragon/bookclub) to find out what the club is reading each month.

### Language Access Articles

Reports, articles, resources on Language Access

Below is a list of articles on language and language access related issues and programs from across the country. These articles can serve as references for you to help develop your Agency's language access programs.



**Does access to telephone interpretation improve health care?**

**There's a Word for That**

**Here's Why The World Can Never Have One Universal Language**

**These 10 Non-Existent English Words Make Other Languages Look Cool**

**Can Digital Devices Replace Interpreters?**

### Asian American and Pacific Islander Articles

Reports, articles, resources on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders

Below is a list of articles on Asian American and Pacific Islander issues and programs from across the country. These articles can serve as references for you to help develop your Agency's programs and services.



**Data Shows Duality of Asian America: High Income, High Poverty**

**Breaking Out The Broken English**

**How the Late James Shigeta Changed the Image of Asian American Men**

and services to DC's limited and non-English proficient (LEP/NEP) Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) residents and merchants at a high level through technical assistance, policy guidance, and education.

# ASIAN AMERICAN FACT

## Nationally, 16.1%\* of Asian Americans live in poverty

\*when adjusted for household size and geography from AAPIData



For more information about OAPIA's Language Access Program please visit <http://apia.dc.gov/service/aapi-language-access> or contact Neel Saxena at [neel.saxena@dc.gov](mailto:neel.saxena@dc.gov)

## Asian Americans More Likely to Have Multigenerational Households

**1 out of 10 Asian Americans has hepatitis B**

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