



David Do, Director



Muriel Bowser, Mayor

MOAPIA Newsletter

Agency Updates, Events and Announcements, Career Connections, and more from the DC Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs (MOAPIA)

A Message from the Director

Dear Community Members,

I am happy to announce that the Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs is partnering with the Smithsonian's museums of Asian art (the Freer Gallery of Art and the Arthur M. Sackler Gallery) to offer free and exciting events in October:

- On October 14 - 15, join us for a festival of Asian art, food, and cultures to celebrate the grand reopening of the Freer|Sackler. The **IlluminAsia festival** will transform the museums' grounds with an Asian food market, cooking and art demonstrations, live music, and interactive activities for all ages including a free tai chi class sponsored by MOAPIA. For a schedule of events, please visit Freer|Sackler's [website](#).
- On October 25th, my office will host the **3rd Annual Diwali Celebration** at the Freer Gallery of Art. This reception will include a lamp lighting ceremony, light refreshments and cultural performances. Prior to the event, the museum is offering a tour that focuses on the Arts of the Indian Subcontinent.

We are looking forward to the festivities and hope to see you there!

Warm regards,

David Do
Director of the Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs



MOAPIA News

Mulan Movie Night & Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration



On September 29th, we wrapped up the 2017 Chinatown Park Series with the Mid-Autumn Festival celebration and movie screening of *Mulan*. Over 250 people joined us for the event. Check out more photos on [Flickr](#).

KAGRO-DC



After a great meeting, the Korean-American Grocers Association of Greater Washington DC (KAGRO-DC) and Director Do send their love with the "fingers hearts," a gesture that is popular among Koreans.

MOAPIA Outreach



Twice a week, MOAPIA's outreach team visits businesses across the District to offer information about government programs and resources. Resources are provided in the business owner's native language and staff follow-up to help address any issues or complaints.

Check out more photos from our recent community outings and events by following us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) (@dcmoapia)

Upcoming Events

2017 Diwali Celebration

DC Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs
Presents

Diwali

Please join us as we celebrate Diwali, the Festival of Lights,
with a lamp lighting ceremony, cultural performances and food!

Wednesday, October 25, 2017, 6:30-8:30PM
Gallery Tour at 5:30PM: Arts of the Indian Subcontinent

Freer Gallery of Art, Meyer Auditorium
1050 Independence Ave SW, Washington DC, 20560
Nearest Metro: Smithsonian

Free Admission

RSVP required: happydiwali2017.eventbrite.com

With the support of
the Smithsonian's Freer | Sackler Museums of Asian Art

For more information or to request
reasonable accommodations,
please call (202) 727 3120
seven days in advance.

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MOAPIA will host the 3rd Annual Diwali Celebration on October 25th from 6:30 - 8:30 pm at the Freer Gallery of Art. Registration is now full. If you would like to be added to the waitlist, please contact Lanting Qin at Lanting.Qin@dc.gov.

Announcements

Supporting DC's Immigrant Community

In Washington, DC we value diversity and inclusivity and the Bowser Administration remains steadfastly committed to supporting DC's immigrant community and ensuring all Washingtonians feel welcome and secure. Read more [here](#).



New Minimum Wage

Effective July 1, 2017, the minimum wage is \$12.50 per hour for employees that do not



receive tips and \$3.33 per hour for tipped employees.

For more information, please visit the Department of Employment Services' [website](#).

Private Security Camera Incentive Program

The Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants (OVSJG) wants residents to improve public safety by participating in the Private Security Camera Incentive Program.

The program provides a rebate of up to \$200 per camera, with a maximum rebate of up to \$500 per residential address and \$750 for all other addresses.

Information about the program and the application can be found at www.ovsjg.dc.gov. For additional information, contact the Program at security.cameras@dc.gov (202) 727-5124.



MPD's Text Tip Line

Send anonymous text, pictures and video messages to the Metropolitan Police Department's Text Tip Line. You can send tips that may help solve a crime or non-emergency safety issues. Text your message to 50411. Messages are monitored 24/7.

50411 is a non-emergency number. If it's an emergency, please call 911.



Sign Up for Mayor Bowser's Newsletter

Want to get updates on new programs, policy, and opportunities to get involved? [Sign up](#) for the Mayor's weekly newsletter!

Career Opportunities

Join Our Team!

MOAPIA is currently seeking a Bilingual Community Outreach Specialist to coordinate community outreach activities (e.g. door-to-door visits, workshops, meetings) targeted to the District's Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community to promote government programs. For more information, please visit this [website](#).

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