



David Do, Director



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## 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,

In September 2015, my office convened 200 residents at the AAPI Action Forum to identify key issues facing our community and help determine how we might work to address them.

The need to advocate for compliance regarding language access services for AAPI residents at government-funded clinics and hospitals was raised. All too often do residents contact local hospitals and are unable to reach a person that speaks their native language, which prevents them from accessing vital health services when they need it.

Over the last few months, MOAPIA has conducted language access compliance testing with six hospitals and four clinics that AAPI residents frequently visit in DC. Korean, Chinese, and Vietnamese were among the languages that were used during the compliance testing. The findings were then discussed with the Department of Health and the Office of Human Rights. Together, our agencies examined strategies and will monitor plans to enforce compliance with the Language Access Act. Additionally, MOAPIA will create flyers to ensure that AAPI residents are aware of their rights regarding medical interpretation and other language access services.

We are taking important steps to make sure that all residents, regardless of background or language, receive the language support they need to access critical healthcare services and resources. I encourage you to reach out to our office if you or someone you know has encountered challenges at local hospitals due to lack of language services so that we can work to assist you.

Warm regards,

David Do

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



## MOAPIA News

## Movie Night in the Park: Moana



Thank you to those of you who joined us for the screening of Moana in Chinatown Park on July 12th! Join us for Lion on August 16th. Admission is free, but please RSVP: [asianmovienights.eventbrite.com](https://asianmovienights.eventbrite.com).

## Embassy of Japan Tour



On July 21st, Commissioners & staff were treated to a tour of the Embassy of Japan's Ippakutei teahouse & the Old Residence building!

## 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

### Tai Chi on Thursdays and Saturdays Mornings



DC Mayor's Office on Asian & Pacific Islander Affairs (MOAPIA)  
Welcomes You To

## Weekly Tai Chi

now available on Saturdays!

May - September 2017  
**THURSDAYS 8:00 - 9:00 AM**  
**SATURDAYS 10:45 - 11:45 AM**  
(Saturday sessions start on July 29th)

Chinatown Park  
5th & Mass. Ave NW



In case of inclement weather, cancellations will be posted on MOAPIA's social media: [Twitter](#) [Facebook](#) [Instagram](#) @dcmoapia



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For more information, contact MOAPIA via email ([moapia@dc.gov](mailto:moapia@dc.gov)) or call (202) 727-3120.

Join us for tai chi in Chinatown Park on Thursday mornings at 8:00 am - 9:00 am. We will offer tai chi on Saturdays beginning on July 29th from 10:45 am - 11:45 pm. RSVP:

Asian Movie Nights in Chinatown Park: Lion on August 16!

DC Mayor's Office on Asian & Pacific Islander Affairs (MOAPIA)  
Presents



# MOVIE NIGHTS



**LION**

August 16, 2017  
8:00PM - 10:00PM

*"A heartwrenching true story"*

A five-year-old Indian boy gets lost on the streets of Calcutta, thousands of kilometers from home. He survives many challenges before being adopted by a couple in Australia. 25 years later, he sets out to find his lost family.

Length: 1 hour 58 minutes

**Chinatown Park**  
📍 5th and Mass. Ave NW

**Movie screening begins as soon as it gets dark**  
🕒 Around 8:15-8:30 pm

**RSVP:**  
[Asianmovienights.eventbrite.com](http://Asianmovienights.eventbrite.com)

Free popcorns and popsicles will be provided.  
Bring your own blankets, chairs and bug spray if needed.  
Any changes to the events due to weather will be posted on social media. [f](#) [@](#) [t](#) [@dcmoapia](#)

Chinese Community Church, 1882 Foundation, Mt. Vernon Triangle CID, CCBA  
ANC 2C, Downtown BID, DC Public Library, Tropical Smoothie Cafe, Farmers and Distillers, Merzi

For more information or to request reasonable accommodations, contact MOAPIA  
✉ [oapia@dc.gov](mailto:oapia@dc.gov) ☎ (202) 727 3120



Join us for free movies in Chinatown Park throughout the summer. RSVP:  
[asianmovienights.eventbrite.com](http://asianmovienights.eventbrite.com)

Fitness Sessions in Chinatown Park: Monday evenings at 6:30 pm



DC Mayor's Office on Asian & Pacific Islander Affairs (MOAPIA)  
Invites You to

# FITNESS SESSIONS IN THE PARK

Every Monday in June & July, 6:30-7:30PM  
Chinatown Park : corner of 5th & Mass. Ave NW

## JUNE

6/5: YOGA WITH BEHERENOW YOGA\* 7/10: ZUMBA WITH JORDIN'S PARADISE  
6/12: YOGA WITH BEHERENOW YOGA\* 7/17: BARRE WITH PURE BARRE\*  
6/19: DOONYA WITH JORDIN'S PARADISE 7/24: BARRE WITH PURE BARRE\*  
6/26: BARRE WITH BAR METHOD\* 7/31: YOGA WITH BEHERENOW YOGA\*

\*Please bring a yoga mat on these dates.

## JULY

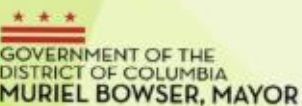
**RSVP Today!**

[fitnessinchinatownpark.eventbrite.com](http://fitnessinchinatownpark.eventbrite.com)



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Chinese Community Church, CCBA, Downtown BID, AARP  
1882 Foundation, ANC 2C, Mt. Vernon Triangle CID

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oapia@dc.gov 202 727 3120

Join us on Monday evenings in June and July from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm for zumba, yoga, doonya and barre classes! This event is open to the public and admission is free. For a schedule of events and registration information, please visit: [fitnessinchinatownpark.eventbrite.com](http://fitnessinchinatownpark.eventbrite.com)

## Announcements

### 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](http://www.ovsjg.dc.gov). For additional information, contact the Program at [security.cameras@dc.gov](mailto:security.cameras@dc.gov) (202) 727-5124.



English (ESL) Courses in DC	
FREE PROGRAMS	
<b>Carlson Research International Public Charter School</b> 1915 Carroll Road NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202) 638-1000 <a href="http://www.carlsonresearch.org">www.carlsonresearch.org</a>	<b>Community of David</b> 1214 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC 20007 (202) 638-1000 <a href="http://www.communityofdavid.org">www.communityofdavid.org</a>
<b>Cherry Chase Foundation Church</b> Cherry Chase Drive, Washington, DC 20008 (202) 638-1000 <a href="http://www.cherrychasefoundation.org">www.cherrychasefoundation.org</a>	<b>Family ESL</b> 1000 16th St NW, Washington, DC 20004 (202) 638-1000 <a href="http://www.familyesl.org">www.familyesl.org</a>
<b>Chesapeake Senior Center</b> 3001 16th St NW, Washington, DC 20004 (202) 638-1000 <a href="http://www.chesapeake.org">www.chesapeake.org</a>	<b>Teaching House</b> 1414 14th St NW, Washington, DC 20005 (202) 638-1000 <a href="http://www.teachinghouse.org">www.teachinghouse.org</a>
LOW-COST PROGRAMS	
<b>Al-Barkah Islamic Institute</b> P.O. Box 100, Washington, DC 20009 (202) 638-1000 <a href="http://www.albarkah.org">www.albarkah.org</a>	<b>The Muslim Language Network</b> 1000 16th St NW, Washington, DC 20004 (202) 638-1000 <a href="http://www.muslimlanguage.org">www.muslimlanguage.org</a>
<b>Lake International Institute</b> 1000 16th St NW, Washington, DC 20004 (202) 638-1000 <a href="http://www.lakeinternational.org">www.lakeinternational.org</a>	<b>Washington English Center</b> 1000 16th St NW, Washington, DC 20004 (202) 638-1000 <a href="http://www.washingtonenglishcenter.org">www.washingtonenglishcenter.org</a>
Questions? Contact the Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs (202) 727-5124 or <a href="mailto:mayor@dc.gov">mayor@dc.gov</a>	

## English Courses in DC

MOAPIA has produced a one-pager to inform community members about ESL programs that are available in the District. Free and low-cost options are included. To download a copy of the flyer, please [visit our website](#).

## 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

## Internship Opportunities!



We are seeking motivated individuals interested in public service and the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community. For more information about internship opportunities with MOAPIA, please visit our [website](#).

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