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Newsletter
April 16, 2025

Upcoming Programming



AAARCC 10TH ANNIVERSARY // THE PATHS LESS TRAVELED // APA HERITAGE MONTH

SPRING 2025 ARTIST IN RESIDENCE AMANDA PHINGBODHIPAKKIYA

WHERE ROOTS REMEMBER



ARTIST TALK & EXHIBITION RECEPTION

APRIL 17 | THURSDAY | 5-6PM | AAARCC (915 5TH ST)

CANNOT JOIN IN PERSON? ZOOM LINK IS AVAILABLE: bit.ly/amanda417

FREE EVENT & OPEN TO CAMPUS COMMUNITY

**Artist Talk & Reception from 5-6pm
followed by Open Exhibit Hour 6-7:30pm**

Gather to discuss and share the collaborative work created by artist-in-residence Amanda Phingbodhipakkiya with the Purdue campus community in celebration of the AAARCC's 10th Anniversary and Asian Pacific American Heritage Month

*Enjoy refreshments while creating artwork that
contributes to the greater dialogue inspired by Amanda's exhibition*



Amanda Phingbodhipakkiya is a Brooklyn-based transdisciplinary artist. Born in Atlanta to Thai and Indonesian immigrants, her practice spans participatory installations, textile, sculpture, large-scale murals, and public art. Her work has been shown at the Brooklyn Museum, Lincoln Center, The Museum of the City of New York, Times Square, and countless rallies and protests around the world.

Amanda's work transforms everyday spaces into spheres of healing and monuments of belonging. Her process draws upon community contribution and personal narrative to shape portals made of textile, metal, wood, and dreams: an ecosystem of reciprocity between the artist and her communities. Through ceremony and ritual, delicate moments of connection and unexpected vulnerability emerge — creating a path to expansive thinking and new possibilities.



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Biomedical Engineering



**Spring 2025 Artist in Residence: Amanda Phingbodhipakkiya
Artist Talk and Reception**

Thursday, April 17, 2025, 5-6 pm at the AAARCC (915 5th Street)

Join us on **Thursday, April 17 from 5-6pm at the AAARCC (915 5th Street)** to share "Where Roots Remember," the collaborative work created by Amanda Phingbodhipakkiya and the Purdue campus community in celebration of the AAARCC's 10th Anniversary and Asian Pacific American Heritage Month. The artist talk and refreshments will be followed by an open exhibit hour at the AAARCC.

This event is free and open to the public. If you are unable to join in-person, there will be a Zoom livestream available at bit.ly/amanda417

About the Artist:

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This program is made possible by AAARCC, University Residences, Bechtel Innovation Design Center, Weldon School of Biomedical Engineering, SFAB, Purdue Food Co., ALab, PATTeRN (John Martin Honors College), and ZMEDStudios.

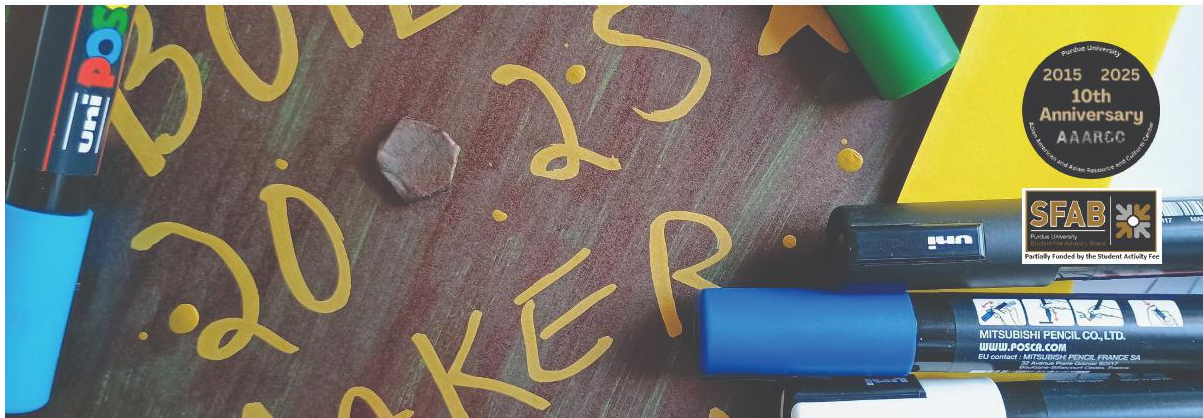


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Center for Advocacy,
Response & Education

SPRING 2025 CARE LIAISON HOURS

Grad Cap & Frame Decorating



Wednesday | April 23, 2025 | 3-4 PM
AAARCC | 915 5th St.

Meet CARE Advocate Tiffany to learn about maintaining healthy relationships while **decorating your graduation cap** or a **diy picture frame!**

Also join us in raising awareness for Denim Day & Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM)

*Free event open to campus community.
Decorating and diy frame-making supplies provided. Graduation cap not provided.*

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Free event open to campus community. Decorating and DIY frame-making supplies provided. Graduation cap not provided.

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AAARCC DESTRESS WEEK

APRIL



MAY



Monday 28 1:00PM - 3:00PM TEA & TIERS Tea Appreciation Club Enjoy a delightful afternoon of freshly brewed tea and delicious cakes, perfect for sweetening your day and sharing good company!	Tuesday 29 11:00AM - 2:00PM MOHINGA MASTERCLASS MYSA Learn the art of making Mohinga (fish soup), the National Dish of Myanmar!	Wednesday 30 3:00PM - 5:00PM HENNA & LASSI AIF Celebrate culture, creativity, and community with henna art and refreshing mango lassi!
Thursday 01 12:00PM - 1:30PM TEMPEH! AAARCC Join us for a fun and flavorful cooking demo for an Indonesian fermented soybean cuisine, from savory to sweet!	Friday 02 3:00PM - 4:00PM FAMILY GAMES TSA x VSA Dive into the world of traditional Taiwanese and Vietnamese games and snacks!	All events will take place at the AAARCC (915 5th St). Email aaarcc@purdue.edu if you have questions about the events.
2:00PM - 5:00PM SING IT OUT! PFA Step up to the mic and unleash your inner superstar at this lively karaoke afternoon filled with music, fun, and unforgettable performances!	4:00PM - 5:00PM MOCHI KART Gardening Club Roll up your sleeves to make delicious mochi and then race your friends in a thrilling Mario Kart showdown!	

SPRING 2025

Join us before finals week for a variety of destress activities!



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Finish strong and wrap up the end of the spring semester with the AAARCC and various Asian-interest student organizations co-hosting the Spring 2025 Destress Week. Destress Week features daily events during the week of April 28 - May 2, 2025 co-hosted at the AAARCC (915 5th St). Check out the student organizations co-hosting the Destress Week events:

Monday | April 28

1:00PM-3:00PM | Tea & Tiers with Tea Appreciation Club

Enjoy a delightful afternoon of freshly brewed tea and delicious cakes, perfect for sweetening your day and sharing good company.

Tuesday | April 29

11:00AM - 2:00PM | Mohinga Masterclass with Myanmar Student Association

Learn the art of making Mohinga (fish soup), the National Dish of Myanmar.

Wednesday | April 30

3:00PM - 5:00PM | Henna & Lassi with American India Foundation

Celebrate culture, creativity, and community with henna art and refreshing mango lassi.

Thursday | May 01

12:30PM - 1:30PM | Tempeh! with AAARCC

Join us for a fun and flavorful cooking demo for an Indonesian fermented soybean cuisine, from savory to sweet.

2:00PM - 5:00PM | Sing it out! with Purdue Filipino Association

Step up to the mic and unleash your inner superstar at this lively karaoke afternoon filled with music, fun, and unforgettable performances.

Friday | May 02

3:00PM - 4:00PM | Family Games with Taiwanese Student Association x Vietnamese Student Association

Dive into the world of traditional Taiwanese and Vietnamese games and snacks.

4:00PM - 5:00PM | Mochi Kart with Gardening Club

Roll up your sleeves to make delicious mochi and then race your friends in a thrilling Mario Kart showdown.

Email aaarcc@purdue.edu if you have questions about the events.

These events are partially funded by SFAB.



Purdue Day of Giving is April 30, 2025!

Purdue Day of Giving is a 24-hour online-based fundraising effort taking place on April 30, 2025. On this day, Purdue alumni, friends, faculty, staff, retirees, students, parents, and fans are encouraged to give back to the university—and small donations can make a big impact in helping Purdue transform lives and change the world.

Gifts can go even further through our hourly and full-day challenges, and any gift can help the AAARCC provide meaningful pedagogical, cultural, and advocacy experiences to all students.

Please consider marking April 30, 2025 on your calendar and giving to #PurdueAAARCC on #PurdueDayofGiving.



Saturday, May 3, 2025 | 5:00PM – 8:00PM

Doors open at 4:30pm. Celebration event will start promptly at 5:00pm.

CoRec Gold & Black Gyms (355 N Martin Jischke Dr)

Free event parking available at the Co-Rec Parking Lot

**Open to all undergraduate and graduate students
graduating in Spring, Summer, and Fall 2025!**



Please RSVP by April 13
to reserve your stole and
spot at the celebration!
bit.ly/InspirAsian25



Please note that stoles will only be provided for
registrants who attend the event in person.



Dress code is celebratory and formal attire

Light refreshments will be served

Featuring performances from student organizations

Follow @purdueasub & @purdueaarcc on social media for more information



Office of Diversity, Inclusion
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InspirAsian 2025: AAARCC Graduation & ASUB Gala
Saturday, May 3, 2025 | 5-8pm (doors open at 4:30 PM)
Co-Rec Gold & Black Gyms | 355 N Martin Jischke Dr

Open to all undergraduate and graduate students graduating in Spring, Summer, and Fall 2025!
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performances from student organizations.

Please **RSVP** to reserve your stole and spot at the celebration event
here: **bit.ly/InspirAsian25**

Follow @purdueasub and @purdueaaarcc on social media for more information. This event is made possible by the Office of Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging, AAARCC, Asian Student Union Board, Purdue for Life Foundation, Purdue Asian Alumni Network, and Asian American and Asian Graduate Student Association.

Recurring Liaison Hours & Programming

This Spring 2025 semester, the AAARCC partners with the following campus units to have Liaison hours at the AAARCC, open to all campus community:

- On-Campus Writing Lab (OWL) - Tuesdays, 1:00-3:00 PM
- Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) - Wednesdays, Noon to 1 PM
- Center for Career Opportunities (CCO)
- Center for Advocacy, Response, and Education (CARE) - Wednesday, April 23, 3:00-4:00 PM
- Boiler Financial Track (BFT) - Select Fridays (April 25), 3:00-4:00 PM ET

For a complete list of these liaison hours, please visit: <https://www.purdue.edu/aaarcc/events/25-spring.php>

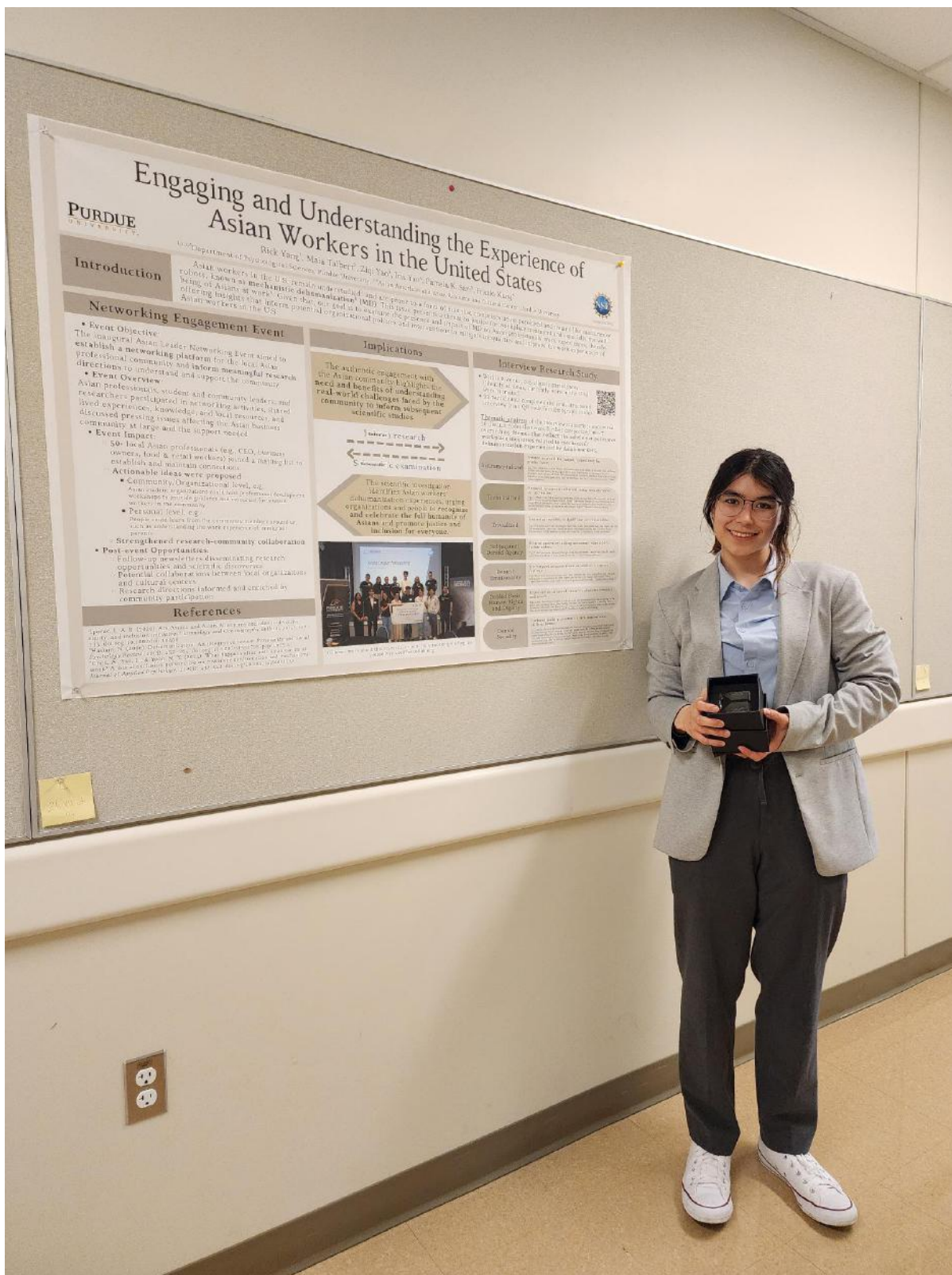
In addition, the AAARCC also offers this weekly programming:

- Join the AAARCC volunteers in practicing your language skills on Tuesdays and Fridays, 3:00 - 4:00 PM at the AAARCC (915 5th Street). So far, we have native and fluent speakers to help you practice Chinese, Korean, Japanese, Indonesian, and Vietnamese. This is not a class and there will not be prepared lessons. Volunteers will answer questions or speak with you in the language that you are learning.
- The AAARCC and Asian and Asian American Graduate Student Association (AAAGraSA) partner in weekly study sessions. Stop by the AAARCC (915 5th St.) Conference Room on Thursdays from 1:30-3:30pm for support as a graduate student, networking, and enjoying tea and snacks with others.

Week in Review







The AAARCC staff gave research presentations at different conferences this past week:

- **HDFS Intern (AAARCC Placement) Jae Yon Kim** presented a research talk at the Spring 2025 Undergraduate Student Research Conference.
- **AAARCC and Libraries and School of Information Student Staff HyunShu Kim** presented a research poster at the Spring 2025 Undergraduate Student Research Conference.
- **Administrative Assistant Maia Talbert** presented at the DEI Science Consortium JUWELS for Posterity Poster Session. This work is a partnership with the Department of Psychological Sciences.

- **Poster Presentation:** *Engaging and Understanding the Experience of Asian Workers in the United States*
- **Team:** Rick Yang, Maia Talbert, Ziqi Yao, Iris Yao, Pamela K. Sari, Franki Kung
- **Bilsland Fellow (AAARCC Graduate Assistant) Nguyen Le** presented at the 2025 Festival of Teaching and Learning.
- **Director Pamela K. Sari (and co-authors Jerilyn Tinio and Mark Puente)** presented at the 2025 Festival of Teaching and Learning.



The AAARCC staff and volunteers provided information about our initiatives at the Prospective Student Life Resource Fair on Saturday, April 12, 2025.

Campus and Community Opportunities

Urban Matters Lab is looking for Purdue Honors students to fill Research Assistant (RA) positions for Summer 2025. You also have the opportunity to continue to work on the research project in the Fall and Spring semesters for HONR credit and **MUST** use this project as your Scholarly Project for your Honors program.

Project Details:

1. One student will work on the historical narrative for **Morris School House**. They will access TCHA archives, WLPL archives and other resources to get more information on this project. They will coordinate closely with the WL Archivist (Devon Roddel) and Ethan Fortner in the City of WL to collect all available information and develop a historical narrative under my guidance. The narrative will then be published on the lab website: <https://urbanmatterslab.com/>
2. One student will work on the historical narrative for the **Caretakers Cottage**. They will access TCHA archives, WLPL archives and other resources to get more information on this project. They will coordinate closely with the WL Archivist (Devon Roddel) and Ethan Fortner in the City of WL to collect all available information and develop a historical narrative under my guidance. The narrative will then be published on the lab website: <https://urbanmatterslab.com/>
3. One student will work on the historical narrative for the **Louis Sullivan Bank building**. They will access TCHA archives, WLPL archives and other resources to get more information on this project. They will coordinate closely with the WL Archivist (Devon Roddel) and Ethan Fortner in the City of WL to collect all available information and develop a historical narrative under my guidance. The narrative will then be published on the lab website: <https://urbanmatterslab.com/>
4. Two students will work on the historical narratives of various sites related to **Black Heritage Sites in the Greater Lafayette Area**. They will access TCHA archives, WLPL archives and other resources to get more information on this project. They will coordinate closely with the local community to collect all available information and develop a historical narrative under my guidance. The narrative will then be published on the lab website: <https://urbanmatterslab.com/>

RA Details

Summer Stipend: \$15 per hour, for 10 hours a week, for 10 weeks in Summer 2025.

Scholarly Project: This project will be your Scholarly Project for Honors.

Student Eligibility:

1. An Honors student in good standing in the JMHC. *No prior experience required.*
2. All applicants must have some background or interest in historical and/or archival research
3. All applicants should be available in person in the Greater Lafayette Area for most of the summer of 2025
4. All RAs need to complete CITI training before starting the RA position

Beyond Summer: You will sign up for HONR Independent Study with me for Fall 2025 if you wish to continue working on these or other projects in the lab.

Please email Dr. Ashima Krishna krish191@purdue.edu with your Resume/CV and a writing sample.

SPRING ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE TIM FLANERY

Monday, April 21 - Friday, April 25
Purdue NAECC

Monday, April 21

10:00 - 11:00 am - Welcome Brunch

3:00 - 5:30 pm - Canoe Paddle Carving Workshop

Tuesday, April 22 - EARTH DAY

10:00 - 11:00 am - Coffee with Artist

1:00 - 2:00 pm - Whistle Carving Demonstration

3:00 - 5:30 pm - Canoe Paddle Carving Workshop

Wednesday, April 23

3:00 - 5:30 pm - Canoe Paddle Carving Workshop

Thursday, April 24

3:00 - 5:30 pm - Canoe Paddle Carving Workshop

Friday, April 25

12:00 - 1:00 pm - Lunch Presentation

Pre-registration required for Canoe Paddle Carving Workshop. LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE, contact Tiffany Lechuga to register, email tcusterl@purdue.edu.

All NAECC events are FREE and OPEN to the campus community.

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We are excited to announce the Purdue NAECC Spring Artist-in-Residence program featuring multi-talented Tlingit Carver and Artist Timothy Gaanaxayayaada Flanery from Ketchikan Alaska. Join us as Tim shares his artistic talent and stories throughout the week. He will conduct a Canoe Paddle Carving Workshop and pre-registration is required. Contact Tiffany Lechuga to register, email tcusterl@purdue.edu.

All NAECC programs and events are FREE and OPEN to the campus community. Visit our [website](#) for updated information and details.

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