

2010

ASSOCIATION FOR ASIAN AMERICAN STUDIES

The twenty-seventh conference
of the Association for Asian
American Studies

April 7-11, 2010

Omni Austin Hotel Downtown

700 San Jacinto at 8th Street

Austin, TX 78701

Conference Registration
Form and Information



ANNUAL MEETING

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Association for Asian American Studies (AAAS)

The Association for Asian American Studies was founded in 1979 for the purpose of advancing the highest professional standard of excellence in teaching and research in the field of Asian American Studies; promoting better understanding and closer ties between and among various sub-components within Asian American Studies: Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Filipino, Hawai'iian, Southeast Asian, South Asian, Pacific Islander, and other groups. AAAS sponsors professional activities to facilitate increased communication and scholarly exchange among teachers, researchers, and students in the field of Asian American Studies. The organization advocates and represents the interests and welfare of Asian American Studies and Asian Americans. AAAS is also founded for the purpose of educating American society about the history and aspirations of Asian American ethnic minorities

2010 ANNUAL MEETING

One of the Association's most visible and exciting activities is its annual conference. In Austin, Texas at the Omni Austin Hotel Downtown, April 7-11, 2010, the AAAS annual meeting will attract Asian Americanists from all disciplines and different regions of the country. The annual meeting will highlight current scholarly research and developments within the field and bring together experts and professionals with an interest in the field. Make plans to join us in the Lone Star State and be part of the 2010 Annual Meeting!

AAAS 2010 Conference

Emergent Cartographies: Asian American Studies in the Twenty-first Century

The interdisciplinary Association for Asian American Studies invites presentation proposals from the fields of literature, geography, sociology, political science, history, cultural studies, the applied social sciences, education, anthropology, media and film, and communications.

The 2010 conference site is lodged squarely between the east and west coasts and abutting Mexico. How might this location inspire us to reinscribe the terrain of Asian American Studies to capture twenty-first century realities and subjectivities? For example, to the surprise of most, Texas now holds the third highest population of Asian Americans, surpassing even Hawai'i, Illinois, and New Jersey. Journeying away from the traditional AAS strongholds on the coasts and Hawai'i suggests the urgency of regional perspectives reflecting newer, post 1965 populations and communities that may fragment the field between its oldest and newest parts. We argue that a process of dismantling is necessary so that a twenty-first century vision of Asian American Studies might be reassembled from its many messy and morphing parts.

From its origins in the civil rights era, Asian American Studies has been an emergent project intellectually and institutionally. It tracks the growth and evolution of a highly heterogeneous population constantly shifting in location, arrival narratives, socioeconomic class, cultural formations, political identifications, and demography. UT Austin presents opportunities to highlight these transformations, as well as continuities, in student activism and program building, intersections with gender and sexuality studies, hemispheric conceptions of migration, transnational and diasporic practices, transformative communications technologies, economic crises, new sites of labor and employment, communities emerging from war and refugee flight, and teaching for non-Asian populations.

To encompass the full range of research on Asian Pacific Americans, we encourage contributions from scholars at every level of seniority and papers ranging from community studies, pedagogical strategies, and programmatic models to the most experimental, and integrative, of theoretical ponderings.

CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Conference Proceedings and Accommodations:

Omni Austin Hotel Downtown
700 San Jacinto at 8th Street
Austin, TX 78701
www.omnihotels.com

Special conference rates for AAAS:

\$185 single/double
Rate available until: March 15, 2010

Conference registration

On-site registration will take place at the Omni Austin Hotel Downtown:

Wednesday, April 7, 2010: 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Thursday, April 8, 2010: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Friday, April 9, 2010: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday, April 10, 2010: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Registration includes admission to the exhibitor room, sessions and receptions.

Exhibits

The exhibit area will be held on-site at the hotel. Hours of operation are as follows:

Thursday, April 8, 2010: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Friday, April 9, 2010: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday, April 10, 2010: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

For more information on the 2010 conference, please visit www.aaastudies.org. The site will be updated on a continual basis up until the day of the conference and will provide current information on plenary sessions, tours, special events and presentation schedules.

Anita Affeldt Graduate Travel Fund

In an effort to foster and support graduate student work in Asian American Studies, the Association for Asian American Studies announces the Anita Affeldt Graduate Student Fund. Members of the Association are strongly invited and encouraged to make **TAX-DEDUCTIBLE** donations to help develop this fund. The 2010 fund will help support graduate students defray expenses by providing lodging at the conference hotel.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The AAAS welcomes sponsors for its 2010 Annual Meeting. Many opportunities exist for publishers to highlight new releases or for universities to showcase departments in the form of coffee breaks or receptions. For additional information, please contact 217-333-3736.

Past sponsorships include:

- Coffee break/book signing in the exhibit room
- Evening reception to highlight the expansion of an Asian American Studies Program
- Joint sponsorship for the closing night Awards Reception

TOUR INFORMATION

Tour of East Austin

It's true enough that Austin is a progressive city; some describe it as a "little blue oasis in a big red state." And yet when it comes to matters of urban displacement and segregation its history is as fraught and complex as any other. This is a guided tour of the Eastside -- home to Austin's largest concentration of Mexican American and African American residents. The Eastside offers lessons on community-resilience and the creation of alternative institutions despite legacies of segregation and displacement. This tour will cover many of the celebrated sites of the Eastside: churches, community and cultural centers, parks and the ethnic commercial strips. The tour will also include a presentation of the changing racial composition and geography of Austin in light of new immigration, rapid urban development and gentrification.

The tour will last 90 minutes and cost about \$8 for transportation. Scheduled for Friday afternoon, April 9, 2010.

Zilker Botanical Garden

2220 Barton Springs Rd
Austin, TX 78746

Located on 30 acres, the Zilker Botanical Garden is known as the "jewel in the heart of Austin." With rose, herb, and Japanese gardens interspersed among waterfalls, streams, and Koi ponds, the Zilker Botanical Garden provides visitors a natural and nature-filled refuge. In particular, the Taniguchi Japanese Garden, which occupies three acres, features two ponds and a Togetsu-kyo bridge ("Bridge to Walk Over the Moon"). The garden is named after retired Stockton, California farmer Isamu Taniguchi who spent 18 months designing and transforming the rugged landscape. The garden opened to the public in 1969. This guided tour will take approximately 2 hours and is estimated to cost \$6 per person, transportation by shared taxi included.

Scheduled for 1:30-3:30 Thursday, April 7, 2010.

<http://www.zilker garden.org/gardens/oriental.html>

Harry Ransom Center / The University of Texas at Austin

The Harry Ransom Center at the University of Texas at Austin holds extensive collections of rare books, manuscripts, photography, film, art, and the performing arts. Focused on advancing the study of arts and humanities through the acquisition and preservation of original cultural materials, the Harry Ransom Center houses the Gutenberg Bible, the first photograph, and a rich archive of first-edition manuscripts. The Center's film holdings are the focus of an exhibition titled, "Making Movies" (February 2 – August 1, 2010), which features iconic Hollywood star photographs, *Gone with the Wind* costumes and storyboards (including Scarlett's "curtain dress"), Gloria Swanson's annotated script for *Sunset Boulevard*, and Robert De Niro's costumes from past films. The Center's film collection contains over 10,000 radio, television, and radio scripts, 15,000 posters and lobby cards, and over one million photographs. This guided tour, which will include collection materials relevant to Asian Pacific American Studies, will take approximately 2 hours and requires only transport costs: \$2 by bus or \$3 by shared taxi.

Scheduled for 1:30-3:30 Friday, April 8, 2010.

<http://www.hrc.utexas.edu>

TOUR INFORMATION

LBJ Library and Museum

2313 Red River Street
Austin, TX 78705

The Lyndon Baines Johnson Library and Museum houses forty five million pages of historical documents (inclusive of the former president's entire public career). One of thirteen presidential libraries administered by the National Archives and Records Administration, the LBJ Library and Museum includes coins, stamps, Oval Office furniture, personal presidential items (owned by the former president and former First Lady), and a collection of four thousand editorial cartoons from all facets of LBJ's presidency and political career. Additionally, the LBJ Library and Museum showcases over ten thousand items of political memorabilia from George Washington's inauguration to the present day.

Admission is free. Self-guided tours are about 90 minutes. Shared taxis are about \$6.60 per person and buses are also convenient.

<http://www.lbjlib.utexas.edu/>

Whole Foods Cooking Demo and Tour

Austin is home to the Whole Foods flagship store, centrally located at the intersection of Sixth St. and Lamar. Enjoy a one-hour, three-course cooking demonstration of Tex-Mex cuisine at their cooking academy followed by a self-guided tour of this organic products paradise which includes a chocolate fountain, bars dedicated to cheese, beer, barbeque, and raw food dishes.

Estimated time for this demo and tour is 3 hours. Estimated costs are \$27 which includes a three-course meal and transportation by shared taxi. This tour may be cancelled if insufficiently enrolled. Scheduled for 11-2 Saturday April 10, 2010.

<http://www.wholefoodsmarket.com/stores/lamar/>

<http://www.wholefoodsmarket.com/stores/lamar-culinarycenter/>

CONFERENCE & TOUR REGISTRATION FORM

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name _____

Affiliation _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Tel: () _____ Email: _____

In order to receive the pre-registration rate below, payment must be received by March 1, 2010. The conference fee includes: conference materials and admission to exhibit room, sessions and receptions. If panelists do not register by March 1st, their names may not be listed on the official program booklet. **Full on-site registration rates are in effect after March 1, 2010.**

	PRE-REGISTRATION RATE (check one)	ON-SITE REGISTRATION RATE (check one)
AAAS Faculty/Professional	\$110	\$200
AAAS Graduate Student*	\$55	\$100
AAAS Undergraduate Student*	\$30	\$55
Faculty/Professional Non-member	\$220	\$300
Student Non-member	\$100	\$180
Community Organizations (Each registration)	\$65	\$85
Students K-12	\$10	\$10

One-Day Fees

Admission to that particular day's events only (check one)	\$85	\$85
_____ Thursday, April 8 _____ Friday, April 9		
_____ Saturday, April 10		

Additional Banquet Tickets

(Note: Each registration includes 1 ticket to the AAAS Banquet on April 10, 2010.)

\$10 X _____ = _____

TOURS

(Note: Transportation costs NOT included. Please see Tour Information page for transportation costs.)

	Cost per Person	# of persons attending	Total
Tour of East Austin	Free	_____ =	_____
Zilker Botanical Garden	\$ 6	_____ =	_____
Harry Ransom Center / UT Austin	Free	_____ =	_____
LBJ Library and Museum	Free	_____ =	_____
Whole Foods Cooking Demo and Tour	\$27	_____ =	_____

ANITA AFFELDT GRADUATE FUND DONATION

TOTAL SUBMITTED \$ _____

PAYMENT METHOD: _____ Check or Money Order _____ VISA/MC/American Express (check one)

Card # _____ Exp. date _____

Authorized Signature _____

*Community organizations, graduate students, and undergraduate students will be required to present photo ID verification at the conference site. Please make check or money order payable to: Association for Asian American Studies, 120 Swanlund Administration Building, 601 E. John Street, Champaign, IL 61820; tel: 217-333-3736; fax: 217-265-6235.

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