



ARIZONA ASIAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

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15th Annual Asian Festival 2009

Phoenix Heritage & Science Park 115 N. 6th Street Phoenix AZ 85004

April 18 2009 Saturday 10am- 7pm

April 19 2009 Sunday 10am- 6pm

Performing Arts/Stage Program

Authentic Asian performing arts such as martial arts, cultural dances and music. Highlights also include Japanese Taiko drums and a fashion show with traditional Asian costumes. *Contact - keiko Conn herbkeiko@yahoo.com*

Children's Wonderland

Filled with arts and craft activities for kids such as origami paper dolls from Japan, Kirigami paper cutting from Taiwan, wood dolls from Indonesia and Filipino crafts. *Contact - Marie Cuning mcunning@cox.net*

The Avenue of Cultures

Provides an opportunity to visit booths showcasing the cultures of 11 Asian ethnic groups as well as seeing different artistic and cultural items.

Contact -Holly Parson hparsons@cox.net

Essay Writing and Poster Design Contest

All Entries must be received by April 3 2009, Check www.aaaa-az.org for detail.

Contact - ChuWan Glove wanwan@lonelocust.com

Vendor Booth

There will be artist demonstrations in Mehendi, a form of ancient Indian body art painting, Chinese calligraphy and Japanese origami. Participants also have the opportunity to learn the ancient arts of taekwondo and tai chi from local masters as well as purchase cultural items from various Asian booths. *Contact -Al Carstens alcarst@aol.com*

Asian Ethnic Food Booths

Attendees can taste a variety of Asian cuisines such as Taiwanese, Cambodian, Vietnamese, Thai, Korean, Chinese, Indian, Pakistani etc. *Contact -Al Carstens*



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Annual Arizona Asian Festival

This Annual 2-day festival held in April of each year at the Heritage Science Park in downtown Phoenix is supported by the City of Phoenix and partially funded by grants received from the Arizona Commission on the Arts and the Phoenix Office of Arts and Culture.

List of Committees

Sponsorship: Raise funds for the Festival under a general sponsorship category or for specific AAAA program.

Children's Wonderland: Tasks include mailing invitations to over 300 Elementary schools (both public and private) across the valley to attend the Festival and material for the various arts and crafts projects designed exclusively for the Children's Wonderland. Each year over 2,500 children visit the festival on a field trip to learn first hand some of the arts and crafts unique to the Asian culture. Children get to take their handiwork home as souvenirs. This is a very popular activity of the Asian Festival and is part of our diversity education program.

Essay and Poster Contest: Tasks include mailing contest entry forms and brochures to over 500 schools across the valley (public and private), organizing trophies, certificates and prize money for winners. Essay contest is divided into two categories open to Junior High School and High School Students with two winners in each category; and Poster contest is also divided into four categories open to children in grades K – 12 with two winners in each category. This is part of our diversity education program.

Festival Entertainment: Includes organizing the cultural program for 3 days, including stage set-up and decorations, coordinating 150 artists who perform on all 3 days of the festival. Artists represent the 14 different Asian cultures that come under the AAAA umbrella.

Avenue of Culture: Includes coordinating exhibition booths showcasing the unique cultures, arts and crafts of the different Asian cultures.

Volunteer: Includes coordinating volunteers for different tasks on different committees.

Publicity: Includes publicizing the event with various media sources (newspaper, television, radio).

Vendor Booths: Includes soliciting vendors (food, asian artifacts etc.) for the event and coordinating their application, insurance etc. Coordinating booth layout day before the event.