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Eye on Asian American Arts Culture Pass

The Asian American Arts Alliance (A4) has created a public programming project called Eye on Asian American Arts, which will promote six selected arts groups' events in May and June 2005. A "Culture Pass" with listings of events and discount coupons will be distributed to the general public starting Monday, April 18th.

The culture pass can be found at these locations: The Chinatown tourist kiosk, NYU Information Center, Lotus Music & Dance (www.lotusarts.org), Museum of Chinese in the Americas (www.moca-nyc.org) and at the APA Heritage Festival in Union Square on Sunday, May 8th. The pass can also be obtained on A4's website and through A4's bi-weekly e-calendar. To sign up for e-calendar, please visit our website.

This project aims to promote and develop audiences for the six selected arts groups during Asian Pacific American (APA) Heritage Month. The six arts groups selected as participants of the Eye on Asian American Arts project are Hawaii Cultural Foundation (HCF), H.T. Chen Dance Company, Indo-American Arts Council, Inc. (IAAC), Museum of Chinese in the Americas (MoCA), New York Chinese Cultural Center (NYCCC), and Rebudal Dance Company. These six groups will offer special discounts to their events.

Events include Have You Eaten Yet? The Chinese Restaurant in America, an exhibit at Museum of Chinese of the Americas; Filipino, a celebratory dance exploring the relationship between Filipino folk and contemporary modern dance performed by Rebudal Dance Company; 11 South Asian & Middle Eastern diaspora plays presented by IAAC and Lark Theatre; the annual NYCCC School of the Arts recital; an interpretation of the Chinese Lion Dance presented by H.T. Chen & Dancers; and the third annual New York Hawaiian Film Festival presented by Hawai'i Cultural Foundation.

To receive a copy of the Culture Pass, please contact Connie Wang at 212.941.9208 or email: cwang@aaartsalliance.org.

Asian American Arts Alliance (A4) is dedicated to increasing financial resources and visibility for Asian American arts groups in New York City. For

more information about A4's programs and membership, please visit our website at www.aaartsalliance.org.

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