

GRANT AWARD FORM

Grant Award Form: Please complete the Project Questions below and include this page in your Final Report materials submitted to the address below.

The information provided in question #1 - 5 should be the same as the information on your Urbana Arts Grant Agreement with the City.

1. GRANTEE: Name of Applicant or Primary Contact:

University of Illinois Asian American Cultural Center

Address:

1210 W. Nevada, MC-149 Urbana, IL 61801

Project Title:

Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month AsiaFest Celebration__

2. TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED: \$1,000

3. TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT FUNDS RECEIVED TO DATE: \$1,000

4. GRANT PERIOD: __January, 2015__ through __December, 2015.

5. EXPENDITURE DEADLINE: ____December, 2015__.

6. DATE OF PROJECT COMPLETION: __May, 2015__.



ASIAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER

Office of Inclusion and Intercultural Relations

Student Affairs • University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Final Report Certification:

**Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month AsiaFest Celebration
May 3, 2015**

“I hereby certify that I am authorized to approve this Report, that I have reviewed the attached invoices in the amount of \$1,000; that all costs claimed have been incurred for the Project in accordance with the Agreement between the AACC and the CITY OF URBANA; that all submitted invoices have been paid; and no costs included herein have been previously submitted.”

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Post-Project Evaluation

1. Accomplishments and how grant funds were utilized during the grant period

Grant funds were utilized for honoraria for our nine performers at the event (See Fiscal Report for details). We were fortunate to also receive a grant from the UI Student Cultural Programming Fee as well as the UI Public Engagement Grant to support some of the expenses as well.

Highlights from the 8th annual Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month AsiaFest Celebration include:

- *1000 attendees
- *13 different cultural performances, incorporating approximately 60 performers
- * 2 types of appetizers from 2 different Asian cultures; pakoras, a South Asian fried snack and dumplings, common in East Asian cultures
- * 27 interactive cultural-educational booths outside in the tent areas, incorporating approximately 70 volunteers staffing different booths from campus and community organizations

2. Impact that the grant funds had on your artistic/organizational development

We are very grateful for the expansion opportunities the City of Urbana Festival Grant provided us in our 8th annual AAPI Heritage Month Celebration. Specifically, the funds allowed us to support and empower our community's AAPI performers' artistic development through small honoraria. Not only were they able to share their piece of Asian and Asian American heritage to attendees, but they are now able to invest in developing their art for more wide-spread exposure in the community.

Beyond the actual festival, the Urbana Arts Grant has also helped to give more weight and credibility to our Center and AAPIs on the community level. While we have worked on numerous occasions with the greater community in the past, this grant and event has opened more doors for collaboration in the community. On the University campus, it has also given us more credibility as a campus unit that is able to actively receive collaborative support from our community too.

3. The number of hours spent in completing the project, including planning, administration, promotion, production, and the final presentation

While AsiaFest takes place in May, the planning for this event begins much earlier.

AACC staff hours:

Hourly graduate intern: planning/advertising- 75 hours, staffing day of- 5.5 hours
3 hourly undergraduate interns planning/advertising-100 hours each
16 interns staffing day of- 3 interns at 5.5 hours each, 13 interns at 3 hours each
Assistant Director- 100 hours for planning, advertising, administration, event
Director- 10 hours
Office Support Specialist- 12 hours

Total hours= 558 hours

4. The number of participants in events or activities related to your grant project

Due to the nature and openness of the festival, it is quite difficult to estimate hard numbers of participants. Our guestimate is approximately 1000 attendees (this includes people who did not stay the entire three hours, but that came and went throughout the event). We also had 60 performers for thirteen performances. We had two local restaurants with three instructors each doing two cooking demonstrations. There were also 27 total interactive educational booths led by 70 volunteers. We had a total of 90 volunteers who helped make this event possible with some helping staff booths and others aiding in set up and clean up.

5. Description of experience working with collaborating partners

The collaboration with both campus and community has been quite rewarding. Community and campus partners came together every month as we started planning this event in the Fall of 2015. Each partner brought their own contribution whether it was other collaborators, ideas, volunteers, and/or suggestions, which helped to bring together a more open, diverse and united program. In the end, the success of the program was due in part to the commitment and participation of many partners who worked hard with us. We were especially appreciative of our main collaborators, Japan House in the planning and execution of this event. We hope to continue the relationships established with campus and community partners while continuing to grow and expand in our collaborative efforts.

6. Any additional comments

Project Documentation

Please see attached photos. More photos can be seen on our [Facebook page](#).

Fiscal Report

A: Personnel (Project Related)	Amount Requested from City	Funds received From City	Total Spent	Expenditure Notes (if applicable)											
Artistic	11520	\$1000	\$1000	\$100 honorarium/ act =\$1000 Acts: <table border="1" style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr><td>Japanese Intercultural Network</td></tr> <tr><td>Chinese Heritage Association (CHA)</td></tr> <tr><td>Zindaa Dance Team</td></tr> <tr><td>Malaysian Student Association</td></tr> <tr><td>Philippine Student Association</td></tr> <tr><td>Thai Student Association</td></tr> <tr><td>Ghungaroo Dance Company</td></tr> <tr><td>Korean Student Association</td></tr> <tr><td>Gah Rahk Mah Dahng (GRMD)</td></tr> <tr><td>DHEEM</td></tr> <tr><td>TASC Special Ops</td></tr> </table>	Japanese Intercultural Network	Chinese Heritage Association (CHA)	Zindaa Dance Team	Malaysian Student Association	Philippine Student Association	Thai Student Association	Ghungaroo Dance Company	Korean Student Association	Gah Rahk Mah Dahng (GRMD)	DHEEM	TASC Special Ops
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