



COUNCIL OF ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICANS

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Council of Asian Pacific Americans presents
Quarterly *Simply the Best: Asian Culture and Education Series #2*
“Same Language for Art & Business”

Northville, MI - **Council of Asian Pacific Americans (CAPA)** hosts the quarterly *Simply the Best (STB): Asian Culture and Education Series #2* on ***“Same Language for Art & Business”*** on Wednesday, June 28, 2017, from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM at Music Hall of Faber Piano Institute, 3042 Creek Dr, Ann Arbor, MI 48108. This program is sponsored by GM, DTE, Toyota, JBSD, PAGE Toyota Southfield & PAGE Honda Bloomfield, Pangborn Design, 168 KTV Bistro, 168 Asian Market, Fuji Japanese Buffet and D Asian Media.

This free admission event emceed by CAPA’s youth Committee, Emily Xiong, Kimmily Qin, Ryan Dong and Samuel Cao. The Fantastic Four have done an outstanding job. They brought such a fresh air and showcased the bright future of our APA community. There were over 40 attendees from all age groups, including youth under 18, young professionals, and community leaders. Attendees had a chance to network and taste some Asian Hors d’oeuvre donated by 168 KTV Bistro. Concert Pianist Dr. Randall Faber played the amazing piano piece by Johann Sebastian Bach. CAPA also presented the “Who’s Who” slide show to introduce the Asian Pacific American Leaders in Michigan and all attendees shared their own 30 seconds power speech.

The main panel discussion was moderated by Mr. Ryan Rosario, the President of FILAMCOO, a renowned Philippine American leader. The theme topic is ***“Same Language for Art & Business” - Learn the Secrets to Success from the Dynamic Speakers***. The panelists came with diverse backgrounds; an Entrepreneur Artist - Dominic Pangborn: CEO of Pangborn Design; an Entrepreneur Musician - Randall Faber: CEO of Faber Piano Adventures; an US-China Business women and APA Nonprofit organization leader -Angela Wang Beasinger: President of CAPA. The panelists shared their life stories and discussed how the culture heritage and their experience in Asia impacted their careers, how art or culture has played any role in their careers and business. Should we emphasize our unique cultures or try to blend in and how to overcome stereotyping and other hurdles in their pursuits? The discussion provided food for thoughts and tips for success. They shared that Passion, Persistence, Pursuit of your own dream are the key ingredients to success and happiness. Stages of Just Do it, I Can Do it, We Can Do it and We are good at it are they nature path of inspiration others. The session closed with participants with smiling faces. This is one of most laughter filled session with lots of new perspective for everyone to take him with. People are exchanging contact information, requesting signatures, taking photos with speakers.

Two of our youngest 10 years attendees not only help to set up the room, during the session, they stand up introduced themselves and they shared four things that they’ve learned with us:

- There is always room at the top; do what you love and what you good at; sometimes choose most difficult path may provide the most satisfactions and success in life; don’t judge people by how they look!

From newly arrived Deputy Japanese Counsel General Ms. Yuki Sakai:

- She thoroughly enjoyed the session and she felt so welcome and excited about the Michigan APA community. She is looking forward to support more CAPA initiatives in the future.



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From our youth Committee:

- It was a good experience and a good way to connect more with the people attending. The speakers really helped me look at life differently through their experiences.
- My first experience with CAPA gave me new perspectives of fine arts and cultures while all relating to the business mindset.
- I learned that speaking in front of strangers really isn't as scary as I thought it would be. I look forward to having more similar opportunities so I can get better. From all the panelists, I learned that there's no short cut to success. To succeed, one needs to work hard and work smart. When times where things don't work out, still need to power through it and just keep going.

From one of our speaker to another:

- It was such a pleasure and a privilege to share the stage. I was so impressed by your compelling story, your message, and your career. I know the audience was mesmerized by your sincerity and communication ability.

From our participants:

- This is one the best session he has attend over his 55 plus year of international law practice, it's so interesting and compelling, and it's better than those \$500+ seminars he has attend in the past.
- This is the most interesting and laughter filled session that I've attended. Now I'm so excited and you do more of this type of events. I wish more people can hear this.

From Organizers:

- This is one of my most rewarding experiences, I've learned so much from our speakers and it is so wonderful to watch our APA youth grow and volunteering with smiling faces.
- We are so honored to have talented speakers share their stories with us. I am so proud of your youth team and my two sons. This is what CAPA all about. We believe not just with talk but through executing it. Show by examples and Walk the walk.

CAPA (www.capa-mi.org) strives to unite the Asian Pacific Americans and the community at-large through culture, educational, and community services. Leverage CAPA's diversity strength and offer a series of seminars to promote Asian culture, education and networking among our communities to enable attendees to grow with their ethnic identity, and enhance their personal and professional lives. Our goal is to provide an engaging, diversified platform for the young Asian generations to bond and grow together.

Please save the date for the upcoming **2017 STB series: 9/27, 11/15 @ 5:30-8:30pm**. For all STB series related questions, please check out the STB webpage- webpage www.capa-mi.org/stb or contact us via email stb@capa-mi.org.

Please mark your calendar for our Statewide Leadership Summit 10/21/2017 1pm-5pm @ Marriot Eagle Crest, and our holiday fundraising party 12/2/2017.

CAPA is a non-profit, 501(c) (3) organization that works to unify all Asian Pacific American communities throughout the State of Michigan. With a guiding motto of "diversity is our strength," its mission is to unite Asian Pacific Americans and the community at large through culture, education, and community service.