

Themed Experience

DIVERSE THREADS: WEAVING AAPI NARRATIVES TOGETHER

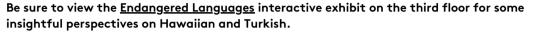
AAPI is an acronym used to encompass a fast-growing community of Americans representing over 40 countries. In 1992, Congress created AAPI Heritage Month to honor and commemorate the many accomplishments of Asian Americans, Pacific Island Americans, and Native Hawaiians. Use this guide to explore their linguistic contributions.

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The Spoken World

IMMERSE YOURSELF: Dive headfirst into the awe-inspiring diversity of languages by meeting speakers and signers from around the globe. Explore unique traits of Asian and Pacific Island languages including Japanese, Korean, Mandarin Chinese, Hindi, Vietnamese, Hawaiian, Tagalog, Arabic, ZEI, Amharic, Hebrew, Persian, Turkish, and more.





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Joking Around

LEARN: Investigate wordplay, idioms, and what makes jokes funny! Make sure to watch comedian Kasha Patel in the <u>How to Tell a Joke</u> interactive exhibit.

The Library

In this magical gallery, pick out a book and watch as the stories come to life on the pages in front of your very eyes. Stories recently added in November 2023 by AAPI authors include:

- Brother's Keeper by Julie Lee
- · Hello, Universe by Erin Entrada Kelly
- We Are Not Free by Traci Chee
- The Joy Luck Club by Amy Tan
- Save Me a Seat by Sarah Weeks and Gita Varadarajan
- · Other Words for Home by Jasmine Warga

POETRY NOOK:

In this secret room hidden behind the library's shelves, soak up the sounds of poems by Kobayashi Issa, Monica Youn, Cathy Park Hong, Li-Young Lee, and Chen Chen.



Multilingual

SHARE: This art piece serves as a visual log and representation of the diverse guests that visit Planet Word. By adding the languages that you speak, you too can be a part of this one-ofa-kind installation.



Words Matter

ACTIVITY: In the Words Matter gallery, post your favorite word or phrase from an Asian or Pacific Island language on a lime green circle.

Speaking Willow

PAUSE & LISTEN: In the courtyard, our Speaking Willow features more than 80 Asian and Pacific Island languages! Scan the QR code to learn more.

Lobby Floor

LOOK: The floor of the lobby is inlaid with scripts of several Asian/Pacific Island languages. Find the QR code to learn more.

DID YOU KNOW?

Moana's "How Far I'll Go," performed by Auli'i Cravalho, was selected for karaoke in UNLOCK THE MUSIC over 4,500 times last year!

How many Asian or Pacific Island languages do you see on our IPA lockers?

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