



Asian Resource Center of San Antonio

NEWSLETTER

ARCSA's vision is to develop a physical Asian Resource Center that will celebrate and showcase the rich and diverse Asian culture and heritage, creating a gathering place of choice dedicated to fostering unity and promoting cross-cultural understanding and appreciation.

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ARCSA Seeking Architectural Services

The Asian Resource Center of San Antonio (ARCSA) is seeking a qualified architectural firm to provide design services for an Asian Resource Center (Center) that will serve as a cultural, educational, and community hub. The center will celebrate and promote Asian heritage, arts, and traditions while offering space for events, exhibitions, educational programs, and community engagement.

The proposed Center will be located at Stone Oak Parkway (Lot 5, Block 3), San Antonio, Texas 78258. The project is planned to have two phases. Phase I will include a multi-functional facility of 9,500 square feet that consists of event space to hold 400 to 450 people, a food preparation area, a multi-purpose reception area, and office space for community meetings, workshops, and training sessions. The garden and the plaza are currently scheduled to be in Phase II, but depending on the capital funds raised, they could be part of Phase I development.

The selected architectural firm will be responsible for:

- Developing conceptual, schematic, and final design plans
- Preparing construction documents and cost estimates
- Ensuring compliance with local building codes and sustainability guidelines
- Collaborating with stakeholders to ensure cultural and functional requirements are met
- Providing project management support during construction

Interested firms, please contact Elisa Chan via e-mail at president@asiancentersa.org by March 14, 2025 to schedule a meeting with the ARCSA board.

Upcoming Events

Land Dedication Ceremony

ARCSA is planning a Land Dedication Ceremony in May. We will invite spiritual leaders of different faiths to

bless the future site of the Asian Resource Center.

We will share more information about the ceremony in future newsletters.



2025 Asian Festival

ARCSA is pleased to host this year's Asian Festival on May 24th at Hemisfair Park.

The festival has a rich history, starting as a grassroots initiative to share Asian cultures with the broader community. Spearheaded by May Lam, it has grown into a cherished annual event, becoming an integral part of San Antonio's cultural landscape.

Through the festival, we hope to bring together people from various backgrounds to experience the flavors, traditions, and arts of Asia. We believe that the Asian Festival continues to serve as a vibrant platform for fostering cross-cultural understanding, appreciation, and unity while offering a joyful experience for all who participate.

Sponsorship opportunities will be available!



2025 Asian Festival Committee

- Christina Lew - Chair
- Elva Adams
- Panadda Aguilar
- Nicolette Ardiente
- Evelyn B. Crow
- Sharleen Daube
- Camile De Los Reyes
- Michael Hu
- Rene'e Park
- Eric Vasquez
- Aparna Vohra
- Anna Wong

2025 Annual Gala

This year's Annual Gala will be on June 7th at the Club of Sonterra.

The ARCSA Annual Gala is a prestigious gathering designed to raise funds for the construction of the Asian Resource Center building while bringing together donors, supporters, and community leaders. This elegant evening serves as a platform to celebrate achievements, share impactful stories, and inspire generosity through auctions, sponsorships, and donations. Beyond fundraising, the gala fosters connections, strengthens community engagement, and amplifies awareness, ensuring continued support for the organization's mission and future



Annual Gala Committee

- Elisa Chan - Co-Chair
- Sophear Wilson - Co-Chair
- Suhail Arastu
- Frances Bendele
- Yuka Dorsey
- Shirley Frobish
- Quynh Nguyen

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- Ferhat Ozturk
- Melinda Rodriguez
- Kausi Subramaniam
- May Zamuco-Carangal
- Sophie Xu

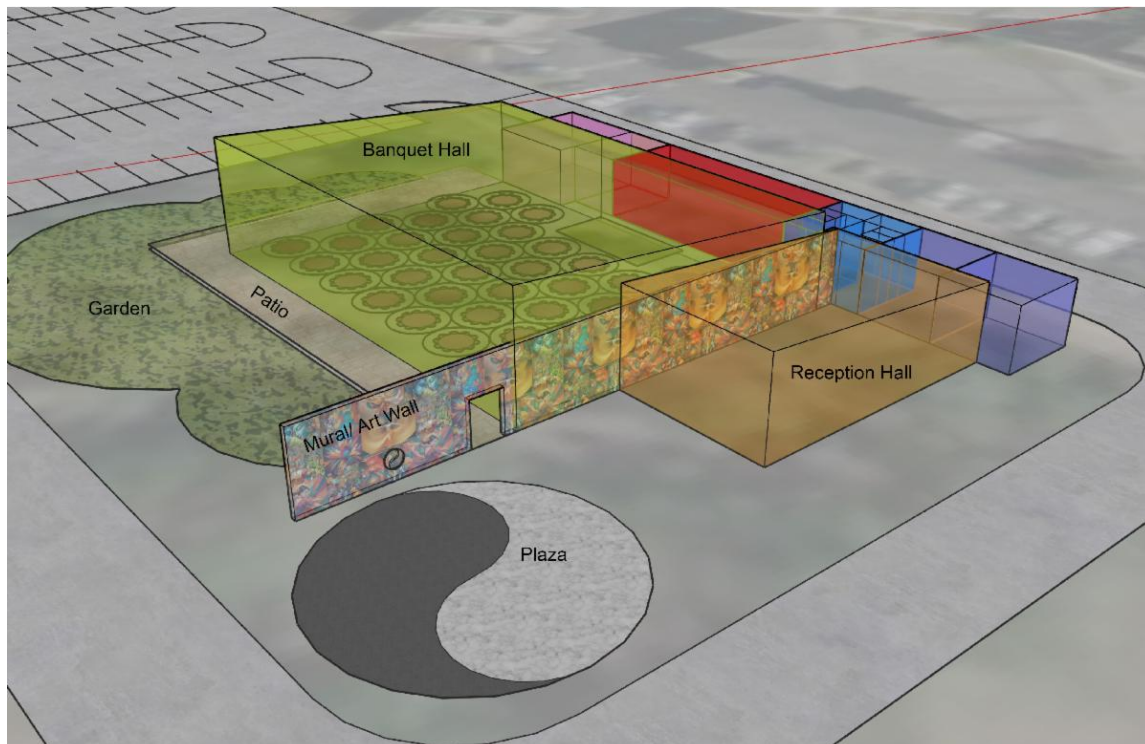
Asian Resource Center Naming Opportunities

ARCSA is offering naming opportunities to help raise the essential funds needed to bring the Asian Resource Center to life. By securing a naming right, you will leave a lasting legacy while demonstrating your commitment to the community. This unique opportunity provides significant visibility and recognition, ensuring that your generosity is honored for years to come. Your support will directly contribute to the successful completion of the project, enhancing its impact and making a meaningful difference.

Possible naming opportunities to include:

- The Art Wall
- The Banquet Hall
- The Garden
- The Plaza
- The Reception/Exhibition Hall
- The Video Wall
- Conference Room

Interested parties, please contact Elisa Chan via e-mail at president@asiancentersa.org for further discussion.



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