March Newsletter



March is generally recognized as Women's History Month, a time to honor women for their historical and contemporary achievements. For Asian American women, who have been making strides in several arenas recently, this year marks a particularly important milestone. Michelle Yeoh, who was the first Asian American woman to win an Oscar in more than a decade for Best Supporting Actress, is a shining example. In light of recent discussions on the advancement of women and minorities in the United States, this month's newsletter will focus on the achievements of Asian American women.

Women's History Month

Women's Struggle in the United States

For a long time, women have faced discrimination in the United States, both legally and culturally. Several male-dominated occupations were inaccessible to women, and their pay reflected this fact. The first significant movement to secure women's right to vote dates back to the late 19th century, with the Women's Suffrage Movement. The ratification of the 19th Amendment in 1920, which granted women the right to vote, was a seminal event that paved the path for further progress.





Notwithstanding this progress, significant obstacles remained in the way of women achieving complete equality, particularly in the workplace. Women were discouraged from pursuing higher education and employment opportunities, and when they did, their contributions were often ignored. Women continued to face discrimination far into the 21st century, particularly in terms of pay, employment, and promotion.

Asian American Women in the United States

For Asian-American women in the United States, racial and gender-based bias have been additional roadblocks. For a long time, Asian Americans have been seen as a "model minority," a stereotypically successful and conscientious but also peaceful and obedient ethnic group. As a result of this bias, Asian American women are seldom considered for positions of power or influence.

Women of Asian descent in the United States face discrimination in the workplace and limited access to leadership roles. The "bamboo ceiling" is another phrase for the obstacles Asian Americans face in achieving senior leadership roles, notwithstanding their qualifications.



Michelle Yeoh's Oscar Win

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The Oscar that Michelle Yeoh won is a watershed moment for Asian American women in Hollywood since it signifies a break through in a traditionally male-dominated profession. The cultural obstacles that Yeoh had to overcome to achieve victory add to the significance of her victory.

For all women and minorities who have fought for equality and respect, Yeoh's victory is especially meaningful. Her success is evidence of how far we've come in removing obstacles to people reaching their goals and embracing a wider range of opinions and viewpoints in the entertainment industry and beyond.



First Asian American and Black Vice President, Kamala Harris

In honor of Women's History Month and beyond, Kamala Harris has had a huge influence on Asian American women. Harris has broken many barriers and paved the way for women and people of color by being the first woman, the first Black person, and the first Asian American to serve as Vice President of the United States.

The success of Asian American women has been given new meaning because to Harris. Her South Asian heritage has been a source of pride and inspiration for many Asian American women, who are often underrepresented and ignored in politics and other fields. In response to a rise in anti-Asian violence and hate crimes, Harris has spoken out forcefully against hatred and bigotry and advocated for unity and cooperation across ethnicities.



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- 2023 Asian American Expo Year of The Rabbit Jan 14 Pomona, CA For more details: CLICK HERE
- Asian World Night Market Mar 31 Hutto, TX For more details: CLICK HERE
- 2023 Very Big Very Asian Comedy Festival Apr 28 New York For more details: CLICK HERE





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