

Event Champions

The Washington Navy Yard's very first joint Asian Pacific Heritage Month Celebration Event would not have been possible without the sponsorship from our executive champions:



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Executive Director
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Mr. Scott Forrest
Asset Management Director
Naval Facilities
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Event Volunteers

The Washington Navy Yard's very first joint Asian Pacific Heritage Month Celebration Event would not have been possible without the collateral efforts of the following volunteers:

Event Leads:

Ms. Stephanie Bloom (CNIC)
Dr. Russell Lowe (NAVFAC)
Mr. Tapan Mazumdar (NAVSEA)
Ms. Christine Murray (NAVFAC)
Ms. Kim-Ngoc Nguyen (NAVSEA)
Ms. Thuy Sault (CNIC)
Mr. Nick Tran (PEO Carriers)

Volunteers:

Ms. Myra Andrews (NAVSEA)
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LDCR Rami Ramdat (PEO Carriers)
Ms. Deb Ripley (NAVSEA)
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Ms. Thuy Tran (PEO Carriers)

Participating Activities:



ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH CELEBRATION EVENT 2016

*Walk Together
Embrace Differences
Build Legacies*

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Colors Presentation and National Anthem:

U.S. Navy Band

Opening Remarks:

Rear Admiral Alma Grocki
NAVSEA Deputy Commander

First Keynote Speaker:

Rear Admiral Jon Hill
Program Executive Officer,
Integrated Warfare Systems

Vocal Performance:

Musician First Class Kristine Hsia
Commodores Jazz Ensemble, U.S. Navy Band

Second Keynote Speaker:

Mr. Brian Park
Startup Advisor at AOL Fishbowl Labs
Director, Startup Grind Washington, D.C.

Dance Performance:

Ms. Katie Ripley
Washington School of Ballet

Vocal Performance:

Ms. Huong Nhu
Vietnamese Singer

Dance Performance:

Bharatanatyam Dance
Natananjali School of Dance

Closing Remarks:

Ms. Jennifer LaTorre, Executive Director
Naval Facilities Engineering Command
Mr. Joseph Ludovici, Deputy Commander
Commander, Navy Installations Command
Ms. Giao Phan, Executive Director

Washington Navy Yard, DC

Admiral Dahlgren Park

5 May 2016, 10:00 to 12:00

Speakers

REAR ADMIRAL JON HILL



A graduate of Saint Mary's University in San Antonio, Rear Adm. is a surface warfare officer designated as an engineering duty officer. Hill has served in numerous leadership and acquisition engineering positions, as well as on the Joint Staff and as Chief of Staff to the Deputy Assistant of the Navy. After serving as a technical director for AEGIS Ballistic Missile Defense, he became the a Major Program Manager for AEGIS Combat Systems. In 2013, he was assigned as director for Cruiser & Destroyer Combat Systems. In July 2014, he assumed duties as the Program Executive Officer for Integrated Warfare Systems.

MR. BRIAN PARK

A performance-driven senior executive, Mr. Brian Park offers 18 years' comprehensive achievements across many tech startups, including three of his own. In 2012, he served as the Chief Operations Officer for Startup Grind, which is one of the largest high-tech startup communities in the world with 215,000 founders in over 185 cities, nurturing startup ecosystems in 70 countries. In Fall 2015, he moved into the Washington, D.C. Director position for Startup Grind while becoming a Startup Advisor at AOL Fishbowl Labs, an incubator with high-growth startups, programmers, and designers who work on cutting-edge ideas.



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MUSICIAN FIRST CLASS

KRISTINE HSIA



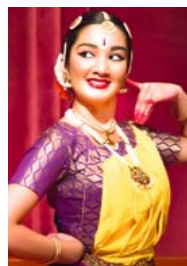
Musician 1st Class Kristine Hsia joined the Navy Band in 2014 as a vocalist for the Commodores jazz ensemble, after serving as lead vocalist with the U.S. 7th Fleet Band in Yokosuka, Japan, where she also deployed aboard USS Blue Ridge (LCC19).

MS. KATIE RIPLEY

Ms. Katie Ripley was born in Kunming City, China. After moving to the United States, she began ballet lessons at the age of 3 and is a member of The Washington School of Ballet. Ripley has performed in "The Nutcracker" at the Warner Theater and in "The Sleeping Beauty" at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.



NATANANJALI SCHOOL OF DANCE



Supported by the South Asian Military Family Support Network, the Natananjali School of Dance shall be performing a Bharatanatyam dance, narrated by Ms. Lakshmi Swaminathan and performed by Ms. Nisha

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Ramamurthy. Natananjali Dancers have performed to acclaim at various community events, DOD locations such as Walter Reed, Fort Meade and the White House 2010 Diwali celebrations.

MS. NHU HUONG

Ms. Ton Nu Nhu Huong was born in Hue City Central Vietnam and raised in Saigon. She moved to the United States in 1979. Huong is active in the Vietnamese community, performing at events and volunteering for non-profit organizations. With several Vietnamese albums, she had also recently performed at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.



PEO & THE CARRIERS



PEO & the Carriers was formed in December 2014. Lead by Rear Adm. Tom Moore (rhythm guitar), the band is also joined by Ms. Maura Styczynski (lead vocals), Mr. Calvin Benson (keyboard, saxophone), Mr. Terrence Williams (bass guitar, vocals), Mr. Sithy Ratanavong (drums, vocals), Mr. Hack Phommachanh (lead guitar, vocals), and Mr. Antonio Seals (background vocals). PEO & the Carriers has performed at several NAVSEA venues, such as Mordecia Booth and ACRE 121 Club.