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May is Asian Pacific American Heritage Month (APAHM) and McAllen Public Library (MPL) is celebrating by exploring the contributions and influence of Asian Americans & Pacific Islander Americans to the history, culture, and achievements of the United States.

# **APAHM Teen Book Recommendations**



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Pacific authors, characters and
stories. Check out the Teen
Reader's Guide for more booklists!

#### **APAHM Kids Book Recommendations**



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Browse a reading list highlighting
Asian Pacific American authors and
themes! This list was curated by
MPL's Children's Department.

#### **APAHM Lark Staff Picks**



View Online at bit.ly/apahmlk Lark Staff Picks is a curated list of books honoring and celebrating Asian Pacific American authors and stories.

#### **APAHM Adult Staff Picks**

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MPL's Reference Department has put together this list of books available at MPL by Asian American & Pacific Islander authors!

# **Korean Calligraphy (For Adults)**

## Thursday, May 4 at 11:00AM | Palm View Branch Library

Celebrate AAPI Heritage Month by joining UTRGV professor Mijin Oh-Villarreal for a lesson on how to write your name in Korean calligraphy.

#### Ramen + Anime (For Teens)

## Sunday, May 7 at 6:00PM | Main Library - Teen Dept.

Do you love ramen? Of course, you do! We're going to put together our own ramen bowls! Veggie options will be available. Let's try out all the different flavors and watch anime! While supplies last.

# Makerspace Station: Boba Tea (For Teens)

## Tuesday, May 9 at 5:00PM | Palm View Branch Library

In honor of AAPI Heritage month, join Anime Boom to sample Boba tea & other treats!

# **AAPI Crafternoon (For Children)**

## Thursday, May 11 at 5:00PM | Main Library - Children's Dept.

Celebrate Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month with special crafts honoring certain regions!

## Lark Book Club: The Joy Luck Club (For Adults)

## Thursday, May 11 at 6:30PM | Lark Branch Library

The featured book for this month's book club is The Joy Luck Club by Amy Tan. Register by calling the Lark Branch at 956- 681-3100.

## Interactive Family Movie Day: Kung Fu Panda (For Children)

## Saturday, May 13 at 2PM | Lark Branch Library

Ready for a new way to watch a movie? Join us for a new experience with an afternoon interactive movie! Use props and move around by follow along with a script to interact with the movie.

#### Stay & Create: Origami Jumping From Craft (For Children)

# Monday, May 15 at 5:00PM & Wednesday, May 17 at 5:00PM | Palm View Branch Library

Hangout and discover different activities every week! A hands-on STEM focused program for children in 3rd-5th grade.

#### **DIY Tiki Bookmark (For Adults)**

#### Thursday, May 18 at 10:00AM | Palm View Branch Library

In celebration of AAPI Heritage Month, make a bookmark using an easy wood scorching technique while learning about the Hawaiian Islands, their culture and traditions.





# Movie Day: Shang-Chi & the Legend of the Ten Rings (For Teens)

## Thursday, May 18 at 6:00PM | Lark Branch Library

Celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month at Lark! Join us for a cool flick, bring your friends and we'll provide the popcorn.

#### Diverse Voices Book Club (For Adults)

Thursday, May 18 at 6:30PM | Main Library - Conference Room A Looking for a new and Interesting read? Join MPL's New Diverse Voices Book Club! Enjoy a variety of literary works and meaningful discussion amongst peers! This month's pick is "Our Missing Hearts" by Celeste Ng.

## The Reading Rainbows (For Adults)

Wednesday, May 24 at 7:00PM | Main Library - Conference Room B The Reading Rainbows is a book club (18+) featuring literary works by, and about, the LGBTQIA+ community. This month we will be reading and discussing "Marriage of a Thousand Lies" by SJ Sinju.

## Palm View Book Club (For Adults)

Thursday, May 25 at 6:30PM | Palm View Branch Library In celebration of AAPI Heritage Month, our book club features "Kim Jiyoung Born 1982" by Cho Nam-Joo.

# Sunday Cinema (For Teens)

**Sunday, May 28 at 6:00PM** | **Main Library - Teen Dept.**Let's discover diverse and vibrant stories from the AAPI community.
Movie snacks and drinks will be provided!

