



# INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

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**#IWD2023**

**#EmbraceEquity**

Give Equity a  
huge embrace

March 11, 2023



International Women's Day



*International Women's Day*

# Welcome



International Women's Day (IWD) is a global holiday celebrated annually on March 8 as a focal point in the women's rights movement, bringing attention to issues such as gender equality and more.

## **International Women's Day 2023**

### **Missions**

IWD sees a number of MISSIONS to help forge a gender equal world. Celebrating women's achievements and increasing visibility, while calling out inequality, is key.

### **IWD 2023 campaign theme:**

**#EmbraceEquity** – give Equity a huge embrace.

Imagine a gender equal world. A

world free of bias, stereotypes, and discrimination. A world that's diverse, equitable, and inclusive. A world where difference is valued and celebrated. Together we can forge women's equality. Collectively we can all #EmbraceEquity.

For IWD and beyond, let's all fully #EmbraceEquity – Equity isn't just a nice-to-have, it's a must-have. Let's all step forward and commit to #EmbraceEquity.

# Who We Are

## Meet Our Team Organization



Asian Indian  
Women's  
Association



American Society  
of Engineers of  
Indian Origin



Council of Asian  
Pacific Americans



Detroit Indian  
Women's  
Association



Filipino American  
Community Council



Korean American  
Women's  
Association of the  
USA



Mai Family  
Services



Michigan  
Indian-American  
Community  
Services



MPOWER ALL



Wind Dance  
Chinese Cultural  
Group

Our IWD celebration event has been initiated by Asian Indian Women's Association (AIWA) since 2008, with collaboration across Asian American and Pacific Islander community organizations and groups.

2023 IWD Collaborative Organizations:

- Asian Indian Women's Association (AIWA)
- American Society of Engineers of Indian Origin (ASEI)
- Council of Asian Pacific Americans (CAPA)
- Detroit Indian Women's Association (DIWA)
- Filipino American Community Council (FILAMCCO)
- Korean American Women's Association of the USA (KAWA USA)
- Mai Family Services (MaiFS)
- Michigan Indian-American Community Services (MICS)
- MPOWER ALL
- Wind Dance Chinese Cultural Group (WDCCG)



# Agenda

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Emcees: Veena Deverkonda, Gnanada Joshi, Mona Pandit  
(Cultural program), Pranavi Annavarapu (Cultural program)

10:00am	Program starts
10:01am	National Anthem: Pranavi Annavarapu
10:03am	Open Remarks: Jyoti Jadia Meet our Collaborative Organizations
10:07am	Sponsors Recognition: Sharon Dow
10:20am	Panel Discussion and Q & A
11:10am	Trivia and Cultural Performance
12:15pm	Welcome Remarks with Governor's Tribute: Senator Stephanie Chang
12:20pm	Closing Remarks: Sudha Ramamurthy
12:25pm	Group photo
12:30pm	Lunch & Networking
1:30pm	Lunch closes
2:00pm	<i>See you in 2024!</i>



## Message & Recognition

Stephanie Chang

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Michigan State Senator

The background features a stylized illustration of several diverse people's faces in various shades of brown, orange, and purple. The faces are rendered in a simple, graphic style with visible outlines for hair, eyes, and mouths. The overall composition is set against a dark, gradient background that transitions from black at the top to a deep purple at the bottom.

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Studies (CHDIS)

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## FOUNDATION

### Mission & Vision

- The Foundation’s mission is to support the programs, purposes and initiatives of Schoolcraft College.
- The vision is for the Foundation to expand support for innovative educational programs that draw students to Schoolcraft College and provide students with the tools to support and succeed.

### Priorities

- *Education & Workforce Development*
- *Student Success*
- *Community Hub*



**VISION 2025**  
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The Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission (MAPAAC) is a 21-member Commission under the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs.

## **Mission**

To advance the full and equal participation of Asian Pacific Americans in the building of a greater Michigan.

## **Vision**

To be an exemplary commission by adding public value to the State of Michigan and the APA community, by fully engaging APAs across the state.





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## Center for Health Disparities Innovations and Studies

The mission of the Center for Health Disparities Innovation and Studies (CHDIS) is to improve lives by reducing health disparities in underserved populations and communities through services, education, research and training.

### **CHDIS Initiatives**

- Nutrition, including breastfeeding
- Physical Activity
- CMS Healthcare Services
- Diabetes Prevention Program
- WISEWOMAN
- Breast, Cervical, and Colorectal cancer screenings
- Vaccination



The new name for **Beaumont**

# Meet Our Panel



*A Discussion about  
Women Rising*

**Moderator**

Vatsala Upadhyay

**Panelists**

Connie Tingson Gatuz, Ph.D.

Ashwini Balasubramanian

Jhansi Nalla



**Vatsala Upadhyay [Moderator]**  
**Lead IT Solution Architect, Seco Tools**

Vatsala is the Lead IT Solution Architect in the Enterprise Architecture and Digital Transformation team at Seco Tools. She has over 30 years of experience in collaboration solutions and CRM applications across multi-platforms. Vatsala is the President of Mai Family Services, an organization that provides support services to survivors of domestic and family violence in the South Asian community in Michigan. She is also a part of the Executive Committee of the National ASEI(American Society of Engineers of Indian Association) Board. Vatsala is extremely passionate about life and enjoys every moment gifted by the Almighty. She is a techno-geek, who believes that there is a solution for every problem.



**Connie Tingson Gatuz, Ph.D.**  
**Associate Vice President of Student Life,**  
**University of Michigan**

Born in Detroit, Michigan, Dr. Connie Tingson Gatuz developed a heightened awareness of the impact of leadership and mentorship while growing up in a struggling multigenerational extended family of immigrants. Tingson Gatuz served as vice president for student affairs and mission integration as the first Person of Color and only woman to serve on the Executive Council at Madonna University, for more than a decade. She is an active member of Chief, a private membership network of women executive leaders and is the State-Chair Elect of the Michigan American Council on Education Women's Network. Currently, she mentors two executive women leaders in Pakistan and serves on several advisory boards to community organizations serving Metro-Detroit and Michigan. Tingson Gatuz earned a doctorate in educational administration from Michigan State University.



**Ashwini Balasubramanian**  
**General Manager—Advanced Engineering,**  
**Harley Davison Motor Company**

Ashwini Balasubramanian currently serves as General Manager – Advanced Engineering at Harley-Davidson. Over her career, Ashwini has had extensive experience in leadership leading global engineering and sales/marketing teams. She most recently served as Global Director for Market Intelligence/Strategy at Martinrea International. Ashwini holds a Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Michigan. She is also a certified Sustainability Excellence Associate. Automotive News named her a “Rising Star,” in 2019. She also holds a patent on “Headliners and Vehicles with Improved Speech Transmission Characteristics”. She is very passionate about D, E&I and is committed to supporting women reach their professional & personal goals. She was recently recognized by CADIA with the “Power of One” award for her perseverance in the D,E&I space.



**Jhansi Nalla**  
**Engineering Group Manager, General**  
**Motors; U.S. Army Reserves**

Jhansi Nalla leads a group of Systems Engineers and Program Managers within Software Defined Vehicle business unit at General Motors (GM). She has been proudly serving in the U.S Army Reserves from 2015 onwards as a 12A – Engineering Officer with 457th FEST A EN Det Army Corps of Engineers located in Livonia, Michigan. In her previous role at GM Defense as Assistant Program Manager, she led the execution of Infantry Squad Vehicle (ISV) contract worth \$214.3 million for Army customer. Jhansi holds a master’s degree in Electrical Engineering from Texas A&M University (Texas). Mentoring and Volunteering has been the biggest part of her life. She is passionate about helping others and making sure the veterans/current service members (specially women) have access to resources they need to grow as leaders.





# Meet Our Trivia & Cultural Groups

Trivia

Durga Dance

Mamang Sorbetero

Manohra Sacrifice

The Life Mantra Dance

Bossom Friend, Small Town Story

South Indian Diva Dance

Hoh Nam, Young Nam

- ❑ **Trivia**
  - ❑ Hosted by Prashanti Boinapally, Dr. Suchiraphon McKeithen-Polish
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- ❑ **“Durga Dance”**
- ❑ Presented by AIWA
- ❑ Choreographed by D S2dios
- ❑ Performed by Dhanya Menon, Janany Madhusdhan, Lavanya Manikam, Rohini Paneerselvam

The name Durga signifies power. And what better way than dedicating this classic Indian dance to all powerful women in the world. Let’s empower women together and uplift our spirit. Set in a classic Indian dance form of Bharathnatyam, this dance embodies the essence of it in complete spirit. The song describes women to be powerful yet kind, rigid yet protective and with a heart full of love.

- ❑ **“Mamang Sorbetero” (Mr . Ice Cream Man)**
- ❑ Presented by FILAMCCO
- ❑ Choreographed by Emy Carreon, Jacque Griffin
- ❑ Performed by Karen Velez, Emy Carreon, Gina Solon, Jacque Griffith, Melanie Caponpon, Clyde Edora

This dance was created when the song Mamang Sorbetero became so popular in the early 70s. Basically, it's the story of a man who sells ice cream and follow the same route everyday. Children and adult alike waited for him to buy ice cream and as they ate the ice cream they dance. The music and the song reflects the very typical Filipino life. The bell signifies that it is time to gather together as a family. At this moment the man is not selling ice cream, he is selling happy memories.

- ❑ **“Manohra’s Sacrifice”**
- ❑ Presented by CAPA
- ❑ Choreographed by Dr. Mayuree Wadhawan
- ❑ Performed by Dr. Mayuree Wadhawan

Manohra’s dance of sacrifice by fire is one of the most beautiful scenes in the Thai fable. Manohra was a mythical being, half bird and half woman. She was captured and married to the Prince, and was loved by most in the Kingdom except a group of court advisors. Once, when the prince was away at war, Manohra was accused of bringing bad luck to the kingdom. It was decided that she must be sacrificed by fire to prevent this misfortune from happening. In this scene, Manohra, has asked the King’s permission to put on her wings for the last time to perform a farewell dance. In the very last movement, she leaps into the air, and takes flight to her home in the deep jungles and mountains.

❑ **“The Life Mantra Dance”**

❑ Presented by AIWA

❑ Choreographed by Forum Vyas

❑ Performed by Forum Vyas, Parul Araj Sengar, Dhwanika Ahya-Khetani, Nirali Shah, Nehal Sanghvi

Indian Folk dance is a creative choreography of artistic steps and postures being accompanied by the rhythmic movements of vocal or instrumental music. Folk dances in India are usually performed during the respective community’s celebration at Child birth, different festivals, wedding, etc. There are many different types of Folk dances all over India. This is a Fusion Dance representing 4 States of India, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Punjab encompassing various celebrations of festivals, wedding and describing new bride - joy, happiness and energy.

❑ **“Bossom Friend”, “Small Town Story”**

❑ Presented by WDCCG

❑ CaiFeng Guzheng Music Group

❑ Performed by Pingli Yi, Nancy Yan, Sherry Chen

Bosom Friend: a friend you might share these deep feelings with or have deep feelings for. Small Town Story: there are stories in a small town full of joyfulness.

❑ **“South Indian Diva Dance”**

❑ Presented by AIWA

❑ Choreographed by D S2dios

❑ Performed by Dhanya Menon, Nisha Menon, Asha Shridharan, Janany Madhusudhan, Lavanya Manikam, Rohini Paneerselvam

India is a land of diversity and today we are going to showcase a twist to traditional folk dance prevalent in South India with a very modern touch to appeal to the upcoming generation. This is a variety dance depicting women to be a Diva in her own sense

❑ **“Hoh Nam”, “Young Nam”**

❑ Presented by KAWA USA

❑ Uri Sori (Our Sound)

❑ Instructed by SulHui Shin

❑ Performed by Daniel Kim, Aileen Kim, Jiyeon Lee, Kanghee Park, Aiden Rhee, Haein Suh, Chagrin Park, Mina Chung, Hannah Oh, Jessica Wiokowski

“Hoh Nam” and “Young Nam” are performed by an assembly of high school students called “Uri Sori” (“Our Sounds”). Samul Nori is traditional Korean music performed with four traditional Korean musical instruments: kkwaenggwari (꽝과리) – a small brass gong; Jing (징) – a large brass gong; Janggu (장구) – an hourglass-shaped drum; and Buk (북) – a barrel drum.



# Meet Our Collaborative Organizations



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American Society of Engineers of Indian Origin  
Council of Asian Pacific Americans  
Detroit Indian Women's Association  
Filipino American Community Council  
Korean American Women's Association of the USA  
Mai Family Services  
Michigan Indian-American Community Services  
MPOWER ALL  
Wind Dance Chinese Cultural Group



## Vision

The Asian Indian Women's Association (AIWA) provides a forum for dialogue and discussion on issues in the field of education, social welfare, and culture.

## Mission

To increase the knowledge of issues related to women, focus on what we can do to strengthen our community and increase the visibility of Indian women to promote their equal role in the community.

**Visit:**  
[www.aiwami.org](http://www.aiwami.org)

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## AIWA Supporters



## 2022 Activities:

- International Women's Day 2022 in collaboration with CAPA
- Volunteered at Salvation Army food sorting program
- Detroit River Cruise for Mother's Day
- Autism awareness webinar
- Participated in IAL event in Lansing
- Participated in ILA to celebrate 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of India's Independence
- AIWA Garba event to commemorate 22nd anniversary of AIWA in collaboration with ASF
- AIWA participated at MaiFS walk against Domestic Violence
- Participated in Breast Cancer walk in Ann Arbor



# American Society of Engineers of Indian Origin


















## Vision

To provide a platform for the technical professionals of Indian origin for networking, career advancement, community service and technology exchange.

## Mission

To develop the next generation of scientists & engineers.

Visit:  
[www.aseiusa.org/Michigan](http://www.aseiusa.org/Michigan)

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## 2022 Activities:

- ASEI National Convention
- Curious about cosmology?
- ASEI Judging Detroit Science Fair
- Empowered Women – Key to a sustainable future
- Energy Transition – What is at stake?
- Navigating through Turbulent Financial Markets
- ASEI @India Day Celebrations hosted by CG Chicago
- ASEI @India Day Celebrations hosted by ILA
- MentorConnect Fireside Chat
- ASEI 2022 Golf Outing
- New Mobility Summit



## Vison and Mission

Council of Asian Pacific Americans (CAPA) unites Asian Pacific Americans and the community at-large through culture, education and community services.

“Embracing Diversity and Inclusion”

Visit:  
[www.capa-mi.org](http://www.capa-mi.org)



## CAPA Supporters

## 2022 Activities:

- Splendor of the East (SOE) Cultural Event
- Leadership Summit – Leading from Cultural Values
- Leadership Circle Conversation and Discussion
- Taste of Asia Event- Showcasing Different Ethnic Cuisines from Asian Communities Across Michigan
- Student Diversity Summit Participation & Sponsorship

# Detroit Indian Women's Association



## Mission

To provide the platform that supports all inquisitive and aspirational women in developing, enhancing and/or applying their skill and talent aptly – to grow in their professional, personal and business endeavors while transforming their everyday lives.

## Vision

To provide all women the platform to connect, unite and network; to take the next growth step in their journey and leverage the best practices to make their career and personal life more balanced.

## Goal

To promote Self Development, Leadership, Personal Growth, and give back to the community.

Visit:  
[www.diwapro.org](http://www.diwapro.org)

## Board Members



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Executive Director

## 2022 Activities:

- Collected & distributed, 6000 diapers to Lighthouse, MCHS
- Bought & Distributed, 100 School supplies to various orgs
- Made & distributed, 125 Blankets to homeless, Children hospitals, Ukraine
- Bought & distributed, 300 Hygiene kits for Men's and Women's
- Bought & distributed, 3000 Feminine Pads for the Clean Love Org
- Grew from Garden of love & donated 300 lbs of veggies to Food Banks, Homeless shelters
- Bought & distributed, 500 Cleaning supplies to Food banks and pantry
- Bought & distributed, Outdoor Fitness Equipment to Vista Maria
- Helped women During Abuse Crisis via collaboration with MICS
- Educated & Counseled Women; Helped/guided thru Divorce process
- Brought Awareness & Acceptance for DownSyndrome & Autism thru IFW USA platform
- Conducted Educational webinars & awareness for LGBTQ
- Conducted Educational seminars for nutrition & healthy lifestyle
- Organized and conducted various sessions - Move your body with Yoga, Walk, Garba Dance, Aerial Yoga
- Organized & encouraged members to participate and contribute to various activities like Book club, Healthy Cooking, Knitting, Crocheting, Painting



# Filipino American Community Council



## Mission and Vision

We aim to assist all member organizations of the Filipino Community in initiating and advancing the civic, cultural, and professional interests of Filipino-Americans based in Michigan, as well as implementing meaningful projects, activities, and advocacy.

Visit:  
[www.filamccomichigan.org](http://www.filamccomichigan.org)



## OUR MISSION & VISION

(FILIPINO AMERICAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF MICHIGAN)

We aim to assist all member organizations of the Filipino Community in initiating and advancing the civic, cultural, and professional interests of Filipino-Americans based in Michigan, as well as implementing meaningful projects, activities, and advocacy.

## FILAMCCO

(Filipino American Community Council of Michigan)

FILAMCCO unites Filipino Americans in Michigan into becoming a community that promotes cultural, civic, and professional interests. At the same time, we also hope to share our blessings to the needy, especially those in the Philippines, through charity projects that benefit those in need. We hope that you are one with us in what we aim to accomplish.

## FILAMCCO Supporters



- ### 2022 Activities:
- KALAYAAN Picnic celebration – Biggest Outdoor event
  - FILAMCCO College Students Forum “Beyond the Generational Gap”
  - FILAMCCO MRS. Philippines-Michigan Beauty Contest
  - Rizal Day Celebration
  - Community Outreach Drive

# Korean American Women's Association of the USA



## Mission

The Korean American Women's Association of the USA (KAWA USA) shares information among members promoting friendship and diplomacy between Korea and the USA, to help immigrants with their legal, financial, and social status of Korean American women everywhere

## Vision

Establish and reinforce our 2nd-generation to build bridges between the generations to raise pride in our heritage and culture.

**Visit:**  
[www.kawausa.org](http://www.kawausa.org)

## Officers

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## KAWA USA Supporters



미시간오늘



미시간 한인문화회관



Michigan Global Center

## 2022 Activities:

- KAWA USA National Convention (Washington DC)
- Supported Korean War Veterans Wall of Remembrance Dedication (Washington DC)
- Sponsored 77th Independence Day (MI)
- Attended Adoption Hub & Minnesota Korean American Women's Association Kimchi Festival (MN)
- Sponsored Scholarship – Dongducheon ACA Mixed Race school (Seoul, South Korea)
- Sponsored Pyeongtaek Social Welfare Society, Sunlit Sisters Center (Seoul, South Korea)
- MOU with World Korean Women's Association (WKWA) (Seoul, South Korea)
- K-Kimchi Festival (Washington DC & VA)
- Sponsored 2nd Next Generation Leadership Forum (MI)
- Homeless shelter Winter outreach (VA & NC)
- Sponsored Tae Keuk Village tenants (MI)



# Mai Family Services



Mai Family Services  
Support when you need it most  
[www.maifs.org](http://www.maifs.org)

## Mission

Mai Family Services (MaiFS) envisions offering a broad spectrum of culturally sensitive, preventive and intervention services to build healthy and strong South Asian families and communities in Michigan.

## Vision

MaiFS seeks to raise awareness of the problems facing the South Asian community in Michigan and to provide support services in the areas of partner and family violence, substance abuse, mental health and senior issues through confidential and culturally sensitive intervention.

Visit:  
[www.maifs.org](http://www.maifs.org)

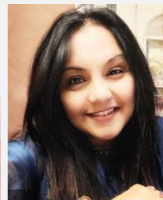
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Kulkarni

## MaiFS Supporters



## 2022 Activities:

- Community Huddle
- International Women's Day Event in collaboration with MiIndia.com and DIWA.
- Senior Informational Workshop with excellent collaboration with Mannor Law Group and Care Patrol.
- Golden Club Annual event
- Annual Walkathon
- Holiday Banquet and Fundraiser
- Virtual Webinars on "Raising Children in the Age of Advanced Technologies/Social Media", "Shoestrings for a secure future", and "Immerse Within" were also conducted.

# Michigan Indian-American Community Services























## Vision and Mission

To provide relief services to Indian-Americans in case of family emergencies or community wide crisis; to connect the next Indian-American generation with its roots from ancient India.

Visit:  
[www.micsgroup.org](http://www.micsgroup.org)

## Executive Committee

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## MICS Supporters

Organization Name	Organization Name
Abhi Shah Foundation	Michigan State House
Akhil Autism foundation	MIINDIA.COM
American Cancer Society	MMNA - Maheshwari Mahasabha of NA
Amma's Foundation	Moms demand Action
Ann Arbor Marathi Mandal	N Rachmale Foundation
Art of Living	NRI SEVA
ASEI - American Society of Engineers of Indian Origin	NRIVA
BAL Gokulam	Palav
BAPS	Perficient-234
Burhan Maharashtra Mandal/BMM North America	PURE
Coalition of Indian Undergraduate Students	Resham Singh Foundation
Detroit Dutchess Club	Rotary Club of Ann Arbor West
Detroit Education Society	SAAVI
Detroit Telangana Community	SEWA International
DIWA	The Bharatiya Temple
Ekal Vidyalaya	The Hindu Temple, Canton
KIDS 2 KIDS	The Indian Task Force
Maharashtra Mandal of Detroit	Troy Foundation of Educational Excellence (TFEE)
Manoranjan	UPAD
MAPI	VYO
MI Dynamic Women's Club	Yogabharati
Michigan Indo American Democratic Caucus/MIADC	

## 2023 Projects/Activities:

- Crisis Relief Support
- Ancient-Indian Heritage
- Senior Citizens Care
- Immigrant Families Support
- Michigan Outreach & Unity Convention 2023
- MICS Talk show Including Talent show



## Vision and Mission

- MPower All is the first non-profit organization to provide a single platform of opportunities for people of all ages for social, academic, cultural, physical, and mental growth. We motivate, support, and empower individuals through community projects, mentorship, and fundraising activities of our diverse community.
- Our team is a dynamic group of energized and supercharged individuals, united in our mission to empower youth and seniors to reach their full potential. Together, we strive to make a positive impact on our communities and build a better future for all

**Visit:**  
[www.mpowerall1.org](http://www.mpowerall1.org)

## Governing Body



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## 2022/2023 Activities:

- Used Indian Clothing Drives - Recycle-Upscale
- A Human trafficking victim support Event with Abhi Shah Foundation
  - MLK - Youth Empowerment March
  - Empowering Healthy #1 -Joint Pains - Webinar
  - "Spreading the warmth for ALL"-A Blanket Making Event
  - A Physical Therapy - Webinar #2
  - Student Symposium for Youth empowerment
  - TRIBUTE TO MOTHERS "Maa tujhe Salaam"- MAY 13, 2023- IGGF- UPCOMING
  - Shoe Drive- Community Wide Shoe Drive to support recycling
  - Tree Planting Event- Earth Day 2023



# Wind Dance Chinese Cultural Group



## Mission

Founded by Sharon Dow in 2012, the Wind Dance Chinese Cultural Group (WDCCG) commits to support and promote Asian arts and culture.

## Objectives

Maintain the vibrant thread of Asian arts and culture through learning, teaching, performing, as well as hosting events and activities.

## Contact:

[mcwa2012@gmail.com](mailto:mcwa2012@gmail.com)



**Sharon Dow (Founder, Choreographer, Event Curator)**  
**Grace Pai, May Chin, Vivian Wu**



Wind Dance Chinese Cultural Group has supported arts and culture events, including Detroit Institute of Arts – Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month (AAPIHM) Celebration, Splendor of the East, Culture & Diversity Festival - Asian Night, Taiwan Week, and more.



*Highlights looking  
back*

2008 - 2022





**2009 2nd IWD**  
“Empowering  
Women Towards  
Progress”



**2011 IWD  
Centennial  
(1911-2011)  
Celebration**  
“Pride – Inspiration –  
Envision”



**2011 IWD  
Centennial  
(1911-2011)  
Celebration**  
“Pride – Inspiration  
– Envision”





**2011 IWD  
Centennial  
(1911-2011)  
Celebration**

“Pride – Inspiration –  
Envision”



**2013 IWD**

“Women Gaining  
Momentum”



**2013 IWD**

“Women Gaining  
Momentum”





**2013 IWD**  
“Women Gaining Momentum”



**2015 IWD**  
“Make it Happen”



**2015 IWD**  
“Make it Happen”

# Thank You For Joining Us

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#IWD

#IWD2023

#IWDMI

#EmbraceEquity

International Women's Day

