



For Immediate Release

For contact information : Jacqueline M. Babol President AANHPI (Asian ) Coalition

Cell: 509 590 6613 Email : Filamnw@gmail.com

## **CELEBRATING CULTURE, UNITY, AND FRIENDSHIP AT RIVERFRONT PARK**

A vibrant celebration of culture, heritage, and international friendship will take place at **Riverfront Park** on **June 21, 2025**, from **10 AM to 4 PM**, as Spokane welcomes the public to a triple event: the **Taste of Asia Festival**, the **Philippine American Friendship Celebration**, and the **Sister City Bench Dedication** honoring Spokane's enduring relationship with **Jilin, China**.

Hosted by the **Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander Coalition**, in partnership with the **Spokane Parks Foundation**, **Riverfront Park**, and local community organizations including the **Filipino American Northwest Association**, **Spokane Chinese Association**, and **Indian Youth Club of Spokane**, this multifaceted celebration brings together food, culture, dance, and diplomacy.

**All Day CHAS Health Mobile clinic on site! All day food trucks, Beer, Drinks and market vendors and community partners! Cultural performances, Karaoke Contest with prizes, raffles, Asian Cooking demos, cultural exhibits and interactive cultural booths!**

### **Taste of Asia: A Culinary and Cultural Feast**

Experience a sensory journey across Asia with live cooking demonstrations, cultural storytelling, and asian culinary cuisine. This interactive event highlights traditional techniques and artistic expression through cuisine, showcasing the rich heritage of Asian communities in the Inland Northwest .

### **Philippine American Friendship Celebration**

As part of Filipino American Friendship Month, this segment honors the historical and cultural ties between the Philippines and the United States. Expect traditional Filipino performances, arts displays, and a joyful spirit of unity and resilience.

### **Sister City Bench Dedication: Spokane–Jilin, China**

The event will also feature the **formal unveiling of the Spokane–Jilin Sister City Friendship Bench**, a symbol of cross-cultural partnership and goodwill between Spokane and its sister city, Jilin, China. Community members and local dignitaries will join in recognizing this milestone in international relations.

---

“This day celebrates not only our diverse cultural roots but also the unity and friendship we build through shared spaces, stories, and symbols,” says Jacqueline Babol, community leader and President of the Asian Coalition. “We invite everyone in Spokane and beyond to witness, learn, and enjoy the beauty of Asian culture and our international connections.”

This free public event promotes cross-cultural understanding, intergenerational learning, and community connection. Bring your family, friends, and curiosity — and join us at the heart of Spokane.

---

**###**

For media inquiries, interviews, or volunteer opportunities, please contact:  
**Jacqueline Babol** | (509) 590-6613 | [filamnw@gmail.com](mailto:filamnw@gmail.com)