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*Greater Los Angeles Chapter*



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## ORGANIZATION OF CHINESE AMERICANS *GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER*

The Organization of Chinese Americans is a non-profit, non-partisan national civil rights advocacy organization of concerned Chinese Americans from around the country.

OCA strives to uphold the Constitution of the United States; foster democracy; promote the active participation of Chinese Americans and Asian/Pacific Americans in civic and national life; promote our cultural heritage; and most importantly, to secure social justice, equal opportunity, and equal treatment for all Asian/Pacific Americans.

OCA-Greater Los Angeles Chapter is one of over 40 chapters throughout the United States. With its headquarters in Washington, D.C., OCA provides a direct channel for its members to voice their issues and concerns on a national level. Locally, OCA-GLA has had a long and successful record of mobilizing our communities and coalitions around issues important to Chinese Americans and Asian/Pacific Americans. Most recently, OCA led a national call for the Senate to confirm Bill Lann Lee as the Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights in the Department of Justice. OCA also spearheaded efforts to hold the Energy Department accountable for its discriminatory actions toward its Chinese American scientists. Finally, OCA has been instrumental in building nationwide support for more protective national hate crimes legislation.

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**THE HON. GEORGE NAKANO,**  
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*Corporate Achievement*

*The Hon. John Chiang*  
*Board of Equalization*  
*Presenter*

8:30 P.M.

*Preview of the long-awaited docu-feature*

**"WE SERVED WITH PRIDE:  
THE CHINESE AMERICAN EXPERIENCE IN WW II"**

*Presented by Filmmaker & Executive Producer,*  
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**THE HON. GEORGE NAKANO,  
CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLY**

*Political Achievement*

Assemblyman George Nakano is the first Asian Pacific American to represent Southern California in the Assembly in over a decade, bringing a breadth of community experience and public service to the State Capitol. *OCA salutes Assemblyman Nakano for his leadership in building community and legislative support for the establishment of Los Angeles' own Chinese American Museum.* To be housed in the 19th century Garnier Building in Old Chinatown, in the heart of downtown Los Angeles, the Chinese American Museum will, as a result of Assemblyman Nakano and Assemblyman Gil Cedillo's sponsorship of supporting legislation, serve as a cultural resource for Chinese Americans and all Americans for many generations to come.



**JOE HICKS,  
CITY OF LOS ANGELES HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**

*Community Achievement*

Politically active for more than 30 years, Joe Hicks has been a community leader in efforts to combat hate crimes and work around constructing coalitions, alliances and cooperation between racial, ethnic and religious groups. Following the City's devastating riots in 1992, Mr. Hicks collaborated with a number of community leaders to found and later serve as the executive director of the Los Angeles MultiCultural Collaborative, a public interest organization dedicated to transcending racial and ethnic divisions. Mr. Hicks is currently the executive director of the Los Angeles City Human Relations Commission. Hicks has contributed regular commentary to the *Los Angeles Times*, *Boston Globe*, *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, "The Today Show," NBC, "Evening News," with Peter Jennings, and "Niteline," with Ted Koppel, ABC, and "Which Way L.A.," KCRW. *OCA is pleased to honor Joe Hicks for his unparalleled work in moving Los Angeles toward a new multicultural vision of society.*



**NITA SONG,  
AT&T**

*Corporate Achievement*

Nita Song currently serves as the Community Relations Director for AT&T in Southern California. Representing AT&T, the world's premiere voice and data communications company serving more than 80 million customers worldwide, Ms. Song has identified and supported Asian and Pacific Islander community efforts to address the cultural, political, and educational needs of our emerging populations. Prior to joining AT&T, Ms. Song served as vice president for Imada Wong Communications Group, a marketing communications company in Los Angeles. *OCA is proud to recognize AT&T and Nita Song's continuing commitment to supporting civic programs that enrich the lives of all Americans.*

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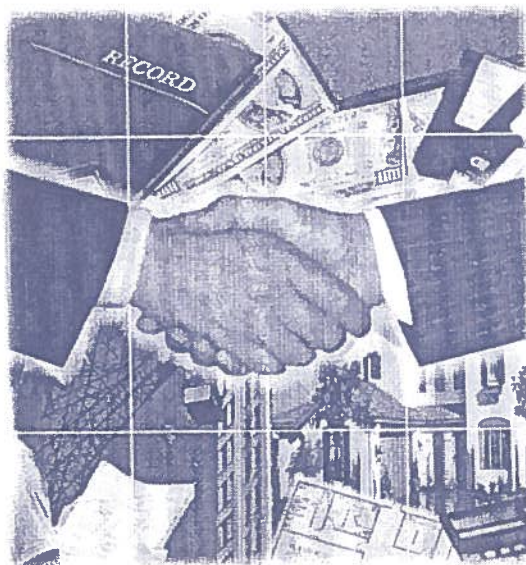
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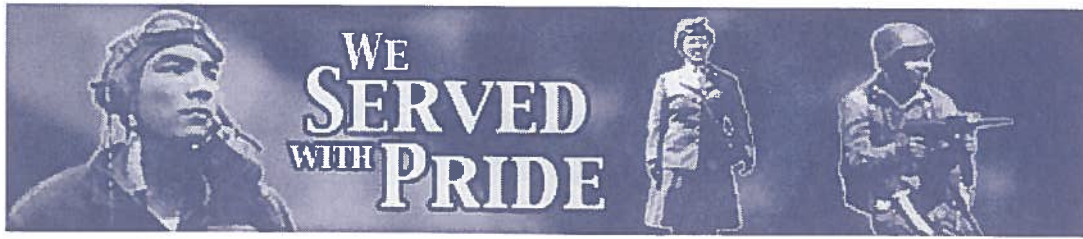
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**PRESENTED BY MONTGOMERY HOM**

*Exec. Producer, Co-Director, Military Historian*

Having been interested in military history at a very young age, Montgomery Hom began to collect helmets and medals rather than baseball cards and comic books. His documentary, "We Served with Pride: The Chinese American Experience in World War II" is a culmination of 20 years of personal research and the collecting of WWII military artifacts.

Five years in the making, the film provides a powerful and insightful first-hand look into the lives of Chinese American veterans who participated in major battles overseas, as well as Chinese American civilians who worked on the home front, service organizations, and in defense work. Their untold stories, interwoven with period re-creations, original news footage and rare photos, bring to the screen a visually moving portrait of the Chinese American veteran experience.

Organization of Chinese Americans is proud to have been an instrumental force in bringing this important work to our nation's capitol to be premiered at the Museum of Natural History of the Smithsonian Institution in October. Likewise, OCA-GLA is proud to present excerpts from this groundbreaking and important film tonight.



*Actress, Ming-Na Wen, and Executive Producer, Monty Hom, working on script of film.*

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**Emcee**  
**PHOEBE ENG**  
*Author,*  
*Warrior Lessons:*  
*An Asian American Woman's Journey Into Power*



Phoebe Eng is a social activist, lawyer, and founding publisher of *A. Magazine*, now one of the leading publications dedicated to serving an Asian American readership. She is a national lecturer and director of a strategy group called The Different Mirror, which has advised the U.S. Department of Justice, the Ford Foundation, the Urban League, Fortune 500 companies, media and technology groups, and universities. Her bestseller, *Warrior Lessons*, is a luminous roadmap across the uncharted territory of Asian American women's lives, through moments of anger and epiphany to reconciliation and empowerment in a racially-sensitized society.

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# Presenters



**THE HON. RONALD S.W. LEW**  
**DISTRICT JUDGE, UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

The son of Chinese immigrants, the Hon. Ronald S.W. Lew has been a trailblazer in our community, receiving numerous accolades through the decades. Most recently, Judge Lew was awarded the prestigious "Person of the Year" Award by the Metropolitan Daily News. Judge Lew is a strong supporter of OCA and of our community. As president of the Friends of the Chinese American Museum, Judge Lew has been instrumental in championing the capital campaign to permanently house the Society's many historical artifacts in a permanent home - the historical Garnier Building in Old Chinatown.



**JOHN CHIANG**  
**STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**

As a member of the State Board of Equalization, the Honorable John Chiang is the highest ranking elected Asian Pacific American official in the state of California. Prior to serving as an elected official, he worked for several noted political leaders, including Gray Davis and Congressman Brad Sherman. Not only is he a member of the board of directors of Planned Parenthood Los Angeles but he has also served as a volunteer attorney for the Los Angeles County Bar Association Hospice AIDs Project; an Advisory Council Member of Big Sisters of Los Angeles; and a member of the Regional Interview Panel for the White House Fellowship Program.



**KIRK TANIOKA**  
**DIVISION MANAGER, UNITED PARCEL SERVICE**

Kirk Tanioka joined United Parcel Service over 32 years ago and advanced through the ranks in both Staff and Operations assignments to become the Division Manager of the Main Street facility, located in the outskirts of Los Angeles Chinatown. This UPS facility is one of the most state-of-the-art, ergonomic, high-tech hubs in the country. Recognized at the 1998 OCA National Corporate Achievement Awards for his dedication to UPS and his leadership in the Asian American community, Mr. Tanioka has always been a strong supporter of building corporate-community partnerships.



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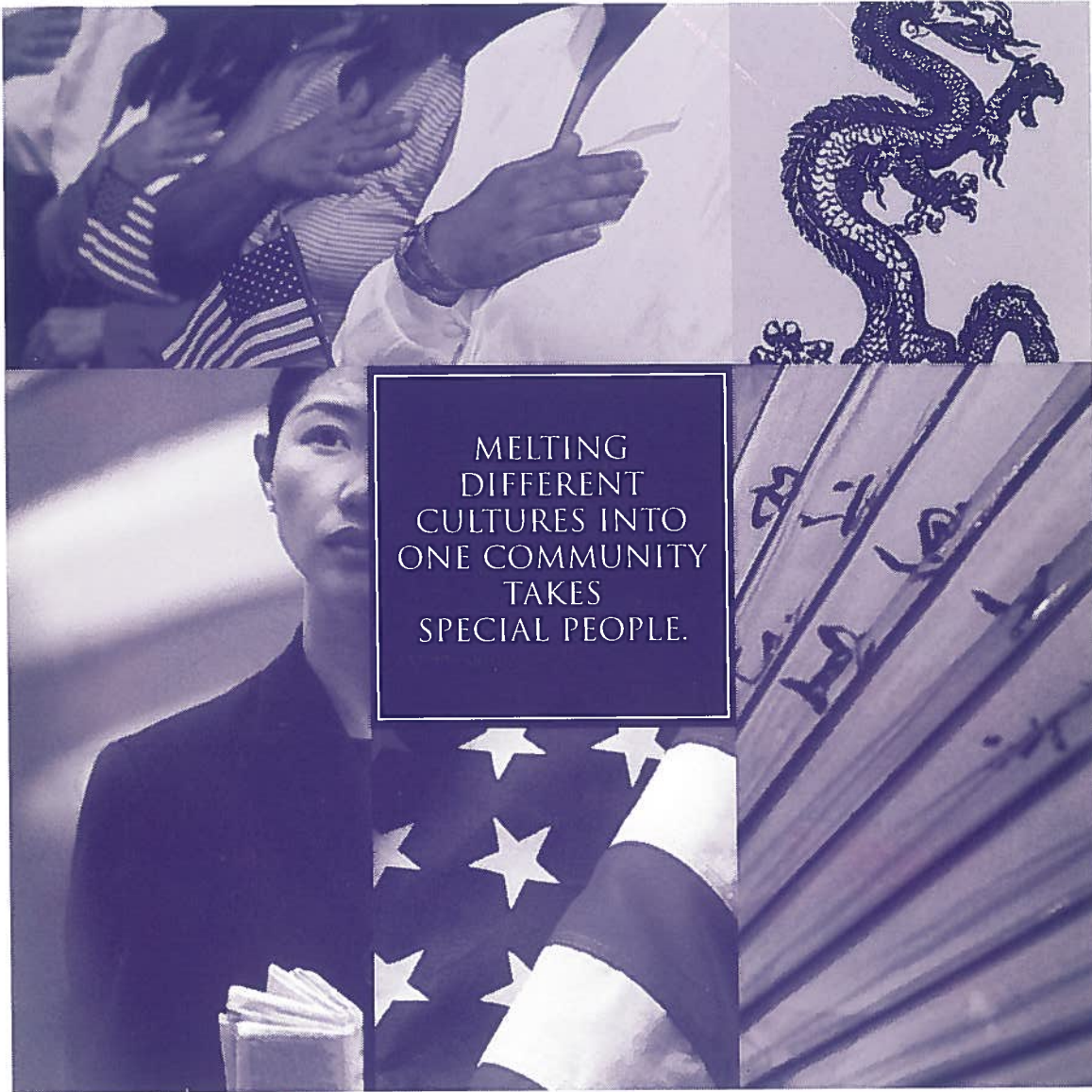
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