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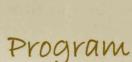
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- 1. 大會致詞 田 詒 鴻 總 召集人 Welcome by Alan Thian, Chairman of Miss Taiwanese American Committee
- 2. 開幕舞 Opening Dance by Miss Taiwanese American Semifinalists 2014
- 3. 主辦單位致詞-黃文谷董事長 Welcome by President Steven Huang, Chairman of Taiwan Center Foundation
- 4. 貴賓致詞 台北駐洛杉磯經濟文化辨事處令狐樂達處長 Remarks by TECO Consul General, Rong Da Ling Hu
- 5. 介紹評審 主持人 / Introduction of Judges by Catherine Yu, Gary Chuang
- 6. 準台美小姐自我介紹/Self-Introduction by Contestants
- 7. 準台美小姐才藝表演 / Talent Competition
- 8. 準台美小姐機智問題/Questions and Answers
- 9. 晚會表演 / Performance

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10. 2013年台美皇后卸任巡禮/The Queen Walk of 2013 Miss Taiwanese American

11. 2014年台美小姐加冕 / Presentation of 2014 Miss Taiwanese American



董事長的話

Taiwan Center -Chairperson's Message

I would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone that came tonight and I also want to thank you for your support of the 2014 Miss Taiwanese American Pageant. Every year, our beautiful and talented Miss Taiwanese Americans serve as community liaisons to promote Taiwan and showcase our Taiwanese culture. I am so proud of their achievements.

We have a lot of candidates showing their interests for this event. This means we have come a long way and we are valued by the Taiwanese American Community. However, only certain

numbers can be the finalists. Tonight, we have 11 ladies and you are all winners to me. After 2 months' intensive training, they have learned more about the pageant itself and how to present themselves as an ambassadors of Taiwanese Americans. With their intelligence, courage, beauty and talent, we know that they will take pride in Taiwan's unique identity and heritage and be at their best to promote Taiwanese culture.

Lastly, I want to thank all our special guests and sponsors. Without you, we would not be able to accomplish anything. The dedication from many people makes this event successful. I want to thank Chairman Alan Thian, CEO Catherine Yu, and all committee members. Lastly, I want to thank the board members of the Taiwan Center, our hard-working judges, excellent performing artists, and all the volunteers. I hope you will enjoy our wonderful program tonight!

Remark from Chairman of Taiwan Center Foundation of Greater Los Angeles, Steven Huang

田詒鴻副董事長所組成的團隊,經過半年精心策劃、開會;今天將以最佳的成果呈現給各位觀賞。

台灣會館為什麼要主辦台美小姐之選拔?因為我們認為立足美國,向美國推銷台灣文化,需要有外在美、內在美兼俱的台美人來主導,她們的智慧、氣質、內涵必須是優秀的,而且了解 台灣的情勢,讓主流社會對台灣有美好的印象,讓我們能夠融入這個大熔爐。

我非常高興今年有30多位參選者。經過初選,雖然只有十一位佳麗可以參加決選,您們的勇氣及智慧是令人佩服,希望有機會您們能多多參與台灣會館的活動,為台灣做出最好的國民外交,向美國社會人士推廣台灣文化。

大洛杉磯台灣會館基金會 董事長 黃文谷

總召集人的話 Chair's Message

Thank you for your generous support of the 2014 Miss Taiwanese American Pageant tonight!

Miss Taiwanese American Pageant is one of major events of our local Taiwanese community and of the Taiwan Center of Greater Los Angeles. This event showcases the outstanding Taiwanese American ladies who embody Taiwanese culture, heritage and traditional values, promoting understanding among the multi culture communities via active participation in the Taiwanese-Americans activities.



Let me thank not only all the directors of the Taiwan Center, and the sponsors of this event, the judges and the Pageant Committee members, but also and very importantly our volunteers. Without their dedication and hard work, we would not able to host this special and memorable event.

As in previous years, I remind you that all our contestants have gone through vigorous training focusing on the tradition and character of Taiwanese women, Taiwan History, Culture. As a result, we strongly believe that these young women will promote a greater understanding and awareness of the beauty and grandeur of Taiwan!

Chairman of 2014 Miss Taiwanese American Pageant Committee - Alan Thian

衷心感謝大家出錢出力支持2014年台美小姐的決選盛會!

台美小姐選拔已逾十年,由於主辦單位是大洛杉磯台灣會館基金會,秉持宣揚台灣文化及傳統價值,積極鼓勵台灣優秀的年輕佳麗參與台美社區的公益活動,獲得台美社區之廣大迴響, 使選美活動盛況空前。我們除了謝謝主辦單位,也感謝社區大眾的認可及支持。

台美小姐的決選活動需要人力、財力的支持,更需要各方的精神鼓勵。除了感謝台灣會館基金會所有董事的支持,幕後的指導老師、藝術設計、燈光表演、評審講評及多位為善不欲人知的活動贊助商,及無私奉獻的工作人員,都是我們能夠這麼順利舉辦這次活動的主要原因及動力,因為您們的大力支持、參與,使本次活動相當圓滿進行。

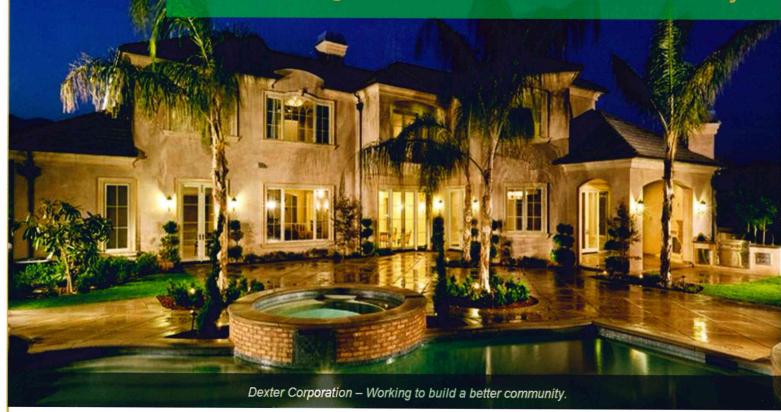
如同往年,今年的集訓課程,我們特別對台灣的歷史、文化的傳承及台灣旅遊的資訊,提供給 所有參賽佳麗作為學習材料。我們並且大力鼓勵這些佳麗參與台美社團的各項活動,我們希望 經由這次活動使所有參選佳麗對台灣有更多認識,更有信心,並以台灣為榮。

最後,謹祝大家身體健康、萬事如意。

2014年台美小姐選拔委員會總召集人 田詒鴻

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Pageant night is only an evening. What you do afterwards will not only reflect what you gathered from the experience, it will also unlock for you innumerable opportunities. I have had the fortune to attend numerous events with my fellow court and ambassadors and have created new and exciting projects with them, including the very first Taiwanese American Idol singing competition. The ladies that I stood next to throughout the year are highly accomplished, possess countless talents, and have such immense potential. I am so privileged to have gotten to know each and every one of them.

These ladies that you have met throughout your training will be competent companions, supportive allies, and life-long friends. Not only will friendships grow, but also self-confidence. I personally stepped out of a very tight knit circle just to attend the pageant. As the year went on, I found that I have accomplished goals that I never would have even dreamt of achieving.

Ultimately, I owe this successful year to the wonderful people at the Taiwan Center for igniting in me the drive, passion, and sentiment that has allowed me to more fully and completely embrace my Taiwanese American heritage. For without their love, support, and guidance, I would not be the brave, courageous, and determined young lady I am today.

To this year's contestants, do not be afraid to expand your horizons. You were each individually chosen based on your intelligence, beauty, achievements, and most of all, your leadership and service to the community. Know that the spotlight is on you because you are special. Use your moment achieve what you could not do before - become an even greater role model and ambassador for the

Sincerely yours, Jessica Chen

2013 Miss Taiwanese American Court



第一公主 吳瑋璇 1st Princess Vivian Wu



第二公主 林宣怜 2nd Princess Eunice Lin



第三公主 陳安懿 3rd Princess Angela Chen



第四公主 楊芳儀 4th Princess Annelise Yang



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親善大使 司如意 Ambassador Sabrina Szu

親善大使 楊孟昕 Ambassador Mercy Yang





親善大使 蔡欣庭 Ambassador Annie Tsai



2013 Year in Review

















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2014 Training Coaches



Susie Chen陳西園 - Ms. Susie Chen has had the passion for dance since her childhood. She would eventually graduate from Taiwan Tainan Women's College of Art & Technology with a degree in dance. Since then, she has taught, performed and competed all around the States and Taiwan. Once a choreographer for background dancers for celebrities such as Fei Yu-Ching and Jolin Tsai, Ms. Chen continues to spread her passion for dance through her many students with 35 years of experience of teaching under her belt.

陳西園老師從小就對舞蹈非常熱衷。她畢業於台灣台南的女子藝術大學舞蹈系,從那時開始,她便開始在美國及台灣做舞蹈的教學和表演。她曾經擔任費玉清、蔡依林等明星的幕後編舞。陳老師做舞蹈教學長達35年,充分表現出她對舞蹈的熱情。

Tina Shih 施雅婷·施雅婷·施雅婷鑑於當今世界已經成了一個地球村,現代社會人與人接觸頻繁,日漸重視個人形象美儀及人際關係禮節,乃投身於美姿美儀教育工作。秉持著美的理念,憑藉在美國的教育專業素養,多年來在南加州社團和社區從事美育教化,不但經常被各界邀約訪談及演講,獲得專業肯定,而且更促進了社區重視人際禮節及個人形象美儀。

資歷

- *世界教育組織頒發2009年「亞太最佳傑出藝術家金爵獎」
- *世界教育組織 (World Education Organization) 美育專業美洲地區顧問
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簡歷:

- *中美電影節暨國際時尚超模大賽舞台總監
- * 奧地利水晶名牌Swarovski大型珠寶禮服秀總監
- *國際衛星電視全美洲播出全年52集藝文節目主持人
- * 美國紅十字會籌款義演彩繪旗袍秀模特兒舞台指導
- *美國著名模特兒演藝學校John Robert Powers大型服裝秀模特兒
- *參與由中國主辦在北京舉行「首屆海峽兩岸文化藝術高峰會議」
- *指導演出LA晚會「花神」彩繪旗袍秀,歡迎台灣47位藝術家訪問團, 國立國父紀念館張館長及畫家奇奇茂大師領隊
- *世界教育組織 (World Education Organization)主辦「美的教育」擔任專題講座及美洲地區顧問



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Catherine Yu 余佳霓 - A native of the beautiful coastal town of Taitung, Taiwan, Catherine was exposed to music, art, literature, dance, and figure skating at a young age. She came to the U.S. when she was 15 years old. She attended UC Irvine and received two BA degrees – one in Environmental Analysis and Design, the other in Studio Art, and completed a minor in Digital Arts. She then attended UCLA for a Master Degree in Urban Planning. Since graduation in 2004, she has been working full-time as an urban planner. She has been blessed by many unique life experiences, including competing in choral festivals in Hungary, performing in Europe with UCI Concert Choir, spending a summer with the Yami Tribe on Orchid Island in Taiwan to conduct her research, singing the US National Anthem at sports games, showcasing the Taiwanese language at a commencement ceremony at UCLA, having her painting published by the City of Los Angeles, skiing down snowy peaks, mastering Taekwondo kicks, and climbing the Half Dome in Yosemite with her husband. Despite her many hobbies, she loves volunteering for the Taiwanese American community the most. Among her proud highlights are singing and emceeing at various community events, winning the 2006 Miss Taiwan USA pageant, being a core artist in

Formosart Art Exhibition in 2011, and serving as the CEO of the 2012, 2013 and 2014 Miss Taiwanese American Pageant.

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 ${\sf A}$ nnie Lee is a native of Los Angeles. She graduated from Diamond Bar High School and attended Northwestern University's 7-year BA/MD program. After completing her anesthesiology training at UCLA, she is now a physician at its affiliate hospital. She has also been an Asian American health advocate and national conference coordinator, a United Nations Ambassador in Women Empowerment, and the 2012-2013 Miss Taiwanese American Queen. Her platform during her year on the court was shaping the lives of the next generation of young female Taiwanese Americans by starting the Miss Taiwanese American Mentorship Program for high school and college students. Continuing with her passion for helping others, she is this year's Vice President of the Taiwanese American Professionals (TAP-LA), a nonprofit organization promoting leadership, identify, networking, and cultural/community services. In her free time she is an avid ballerina, yoga enthusiast, and world traveler. This is Annie's first year as part of the Miss Taiwanese American pageant committee and is delighted to have the opportunity to actively participate in fostering the next group of female Taiwanese American representatives and leaders.



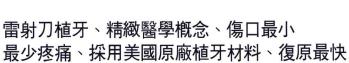


Julia C. Tsai (蔡茜如) is a 2012 Miss Taiwanese American Princess and a current Committee Member. Professionally, she is a workers' compensation defense attorney and has been practicing law for over five years. She is a graduate of Wellesley College (B.A.) and Pacific McGeorge School of Law (J.D.). On her free time, Ms. Tsai enjoys running half-marathons, snowboarding, traveling, and spending time

with her Shiba Inu, Miyuki.

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YY Lin is the Founder, Founder and CEO of Lindom Companies. YY has a successful history of property development and management that extends three decades hence the Los Angeles Times named Lindom as one of the top developers in the Los Angeles area.

Earlier, YY practiced architectural and urban design at Harwood K. Smith & Partners in Dallas. Formally educated in Taiwan with a Bachelor of Architecture degree, YY completed his studies with a Master of Architecture in Urban Design from Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Mr. Lin also is an active member of the Taiwanese United Fund (TUF), a non-profit organization that promotes Taiwanese arts, culture, and heritage, serving as President in 2004, and now a Board Member. In 2006, Mr. Lin also served as President of the Taiwanese Chamber of Commerce of Greater Los Angeles (TACCLA) and the Vice President of Taiwanese Chamber of Commerce of North America, which has 38 chapters throughout North America.



林富文, Evan Ling, 台南佳里人1965來美國。喬治亞理工學院工程博士。他在台美社團一直很活躍。1972年加入台獨聯盟至今。曾任中央委員及副主席。1971年創立亞特蘭大台灣同鄉會。1982年創始陳文成教授紀念基金會。服務於FAPA 20多年。曾任中央委員,常務委員,及FAPA基金管理委員會主席多年。2011年在台灣創辦並資助「閱讀台灣探索自己」兩年,鼓勵年輕人閱讀本土書。他目前在美林金融投資公司當理財顧問。First Vice President, Wealth Management, International Financial Advisor and PIA Portfolio Manager, Merrill Lynch/Bank of America. 他同牽手黄美惠住礦石巴。



Jennifer Kuo is currently a Staff Specialist for Orange County's Social Services Agency, and was previously working at the Registrar of Voters. She volunteers as a co-coordinator for the North America Taiwanese Women's Association II. Formerly, a Program Coordinator for Orange County Asian and Pacific Islander Community Alliance and an A&E editor for UCLA's API newsmagazine Pacific Ties. She has also worked with Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics, Inc. as a Building Community through Leadership (BCL) coordinators. Kuo was also a former president of APA media watchdog group Media Action Network for Asian Americans. And she served as the past West Coast program director for the ITASA and was a former national vice president of TACL and has been volunteering with the Taiwanese American community for over 16 years. She majored in Asian American Studies at UCLA. To contact her, please email at jennofkuo@gmail.com



Olivia Tsuyin Liou, Master of Arts Degree from University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) -1984 Education – Study Teaching Chinese Credential from Whittier College, USC, UCLA - 1991 Founder/ Artist Director of Los Angeles Chinese Folk Dancers - Current Co-Founder/ Three terms president of America-Chinese Dance Association (ACDA) - 1987 Founder/President of Chinese Employees Association of Los Angeles County (CEALAC) – 2011 Principal of Hacienda Heights Area Chinese School (2 terms) - 1992 Master of Arts Award from City of Los Angeles - 1991 Outstanding Teacher Award (3 times) from Southern California Council of Chinese Schools - 1991

Flying Phoenix Award Recipient from Taiwan Dance Education Association - 1978
Arts and Music Award of 2nd Asian Pacific Islander American Heritage Month from Assembly Member Judy Chu - 2005
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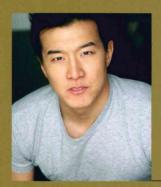
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吴翠姬,台灣台中人。生長於一個音樂世家,自幼音感奇佳,師長發掘她在音樂上的特殊稟賦,從小學就被編入兒童音樂班,進而甄選進了台中市立音樂天才兒童實驗班。 大學時期,拜師留日聲樂家李君重教授:得天獨厚的音樂天賦,加上名師的指導,及自己的勤奮努力,吳翠姬的歌藝,突飛猛進。因為對歌唱及舞台的熱愛,於是在台視導播推薦下,加入台視歌唱訓練班,成為台視歌星。從北台灣到南台灣的餐廳秀,場場爆滿。因擅長演唱多國語言及各種不同唱腔的歌曲,而有《千面女郎》的美譽。更以一曲連續劇主題曲"包青天"走紅。



以立音樂基金會音樂總監美音基金會音樂總監加州音樂教師協會會員美國音樂著作權協會會員 美國音樂著作權協會會員 狂想三重奏作曲家與鋼琴演奏家由金曲獎得主錄音師饒瑞順錄製並發行數張「狂想三重奏」專輯 演奏足跡遍及美、亞、歐洲等地 曾籌劃多場228紀念音樂會,並受邀在美西、美東台灣人夏令會,陳文成教授紀念音樂會演出,盛況空前。



Brian Yang, American actor and producer, Brian Yang is best known for his role as "Charlie Fong" on the CBS primetime drama series, Hawaii Five-0. Born in Columbus, Ohio and raised in the Bay Area, Yang is a second generation Taiwanese American who began his acting career after he attended the University of California at Berkeley, where he studied biology and dramatic arts. He works as a producer and actor on projects in New York, Hawaii, Los Angeles and throughout Asia.

Yang keeps his base in Los Angeles, but is frequently on a plane somewhere between New York, Honolulu, and Taipei or Shanghai. He loves playing basketball, snowboarding, and travel.



Patricia Wang is an international model,TV spokesperson and jewelry designer. Her National print jobs include Disney, Seagrams, Bon Appetit, Glaxo-Wellcome pharmaceuticals, Metlife Insurance and Metlife 401K, Perry Ellis, Corvel, Cadillac, Venetian Hotel, MGM Hotel Vegas, Pechanga Casino, St. Joe Resorts, Florida, Journal of Longevity, VISA card and Wells Fargo Bank. Fashion shows in NY & LA include private labels for Nordstroms, Neiman Marcus, Bloomingdales, Saks Fifth Ave. and Caché. She has also modeled for L'Oreal, Matrix, Goldwell, KMS and Scruples hair care products. As a GIA graduate, Patricia has modeled for international diamond lines like FancyYello Diamonds and SFD Diamonds. International commercials include MetLife and Franklin Templeton Investments. TV appearances include Home and Garden channel and her own designer line on QVC shopping channel. She has traveled internationally for work and has appeared in numerous international publications. Patricia's modeling career opened up doors into the acting industry. She appeared in shows such as "ER", "Friends", "Will and Grace", "Just Shoot Me", "Charmed" "Hidden Hills", "Felicity", "Haunted" and she was a regular on the CBS hit series "The Agency". In her movie career, she has worked with greats such as Jack Nicholson, Diane Keaton in their Oscar nominated film "Something's Gotta Give" and The Rock and Kelly Hu in the "Scorpion King". She has

also been interviewed several times on Mandarin news and talk shows here in Los Angeles as well as in Taiwan.

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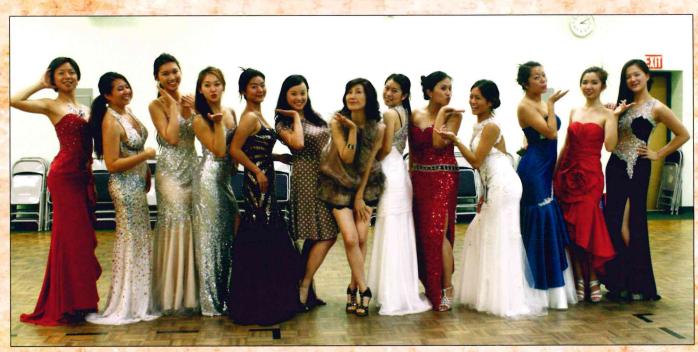
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₹ 程左容 Iris Cherng



Hello everyone! 大家好, my name is Iris Cherng, 程左容. I am 21 years old, 100% Taiwanese, born and raised in Southern California. I grew up in the city of Walnut, where I finished high school with a 4.17 GPA. Before recently graduating from the University of California, Santa Barbara, I served as President of alpha Kappa Delta Phi, the largest international Asian interest sorority. Through this organization, I helped fundraise for Breast Cancer Awareness and volunteered at local senior homes.

Growing up in Southern California, I am a passionate surfer, a determined dancer, and an adventurous world traveler. Three words to describe myself are fun-loving, ambitious, and compassionate.

I am so happy to be a finalist of Miss Taiwanese American, as I hope to represent my homeland and spread Taiwanese cultural awareness to people around the world!











聚正誼 Cheng-Yi Chang



Having been born and raised in Taiwan, I grew up with Taiwan's most enriching culture. With the support of my parents, I decided to move to the United States and study at the University of Southern California, where I learned much about the Taiwanese American community. I have since realized how important my hometown and culture has helped shaped me into who I am today. As I have gotten more involved in the Taiwanese American community, I am proud to see that Taiwanese people support and help each other, which is based on their culture of love, sharing, and openness to different things. With my passion for traveling, I am always honored to introduce Taiwan to the people I meet all over the world. I am very grateful for this opportunity to further represent Taiwan's beautiful and enriching heritage.







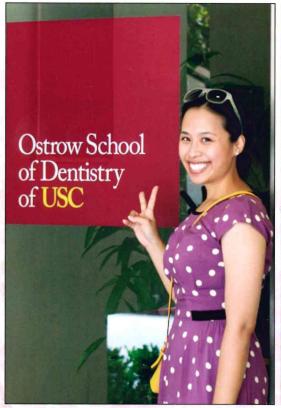


《 侯乃文 Lisa Hou



I was born in Kaohsiung, Taiwan and immigrated to Arcadia at age 10. I double majored in gerontology and art history at the University of Southern California, then graduated from the USC School of Dentistry in 2012. After completing further advanced dentistry training at Rancho Los Amigos Center working with older and high-risk special needs patients, I am now a Clinical Assistant Professor at USC teaching dental students. I have presented nationally on my dental research, and I'm also in private practice in the Los Angeles area.

I have always been very active in Taiwanese American organizations in school. I was a national board member for the Intercollegiate Taiwanese American Student Associations (ITASA) in college and the president of the Taiwanese Dental Student Association. It is an honor to be a finalist for the Miss Taiwanese American pageant, as it is an opportunity to continue serving the community that raised and supported me all these years.

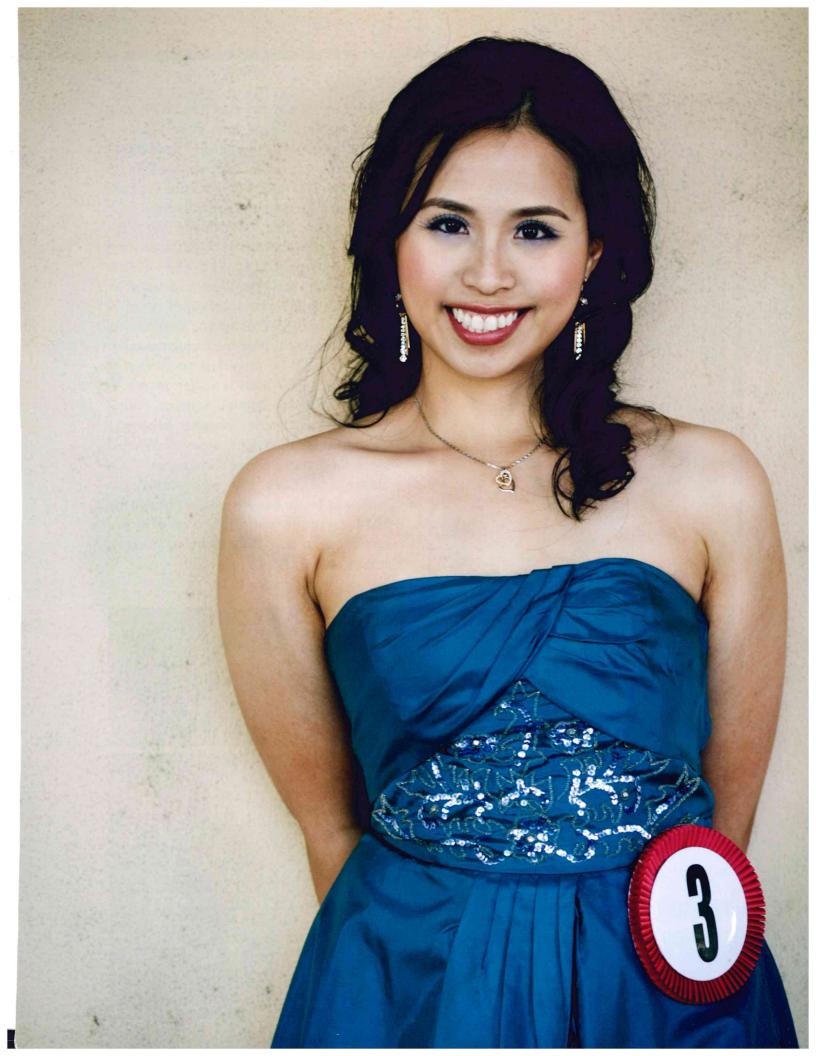










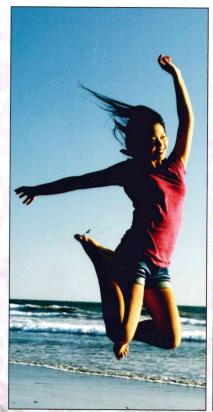


高佳綺 Jacqueline Kao



The joy I get every day is from hearing the laughter of loved ones after I make a whimsical remark and seeing smiles light up their faces. My name is Jacqueline Kao, an eighteen-year-old high school honors graduate from Diamond Bar, California.

During my time at Diamond Bar High School, I was actively involved in dancing and raising money for the dance department. I was also Director of Activities for Leo Club and part of an organization to help incoming freshmen familiarize themselves with their new environment. This fall, I will be attending University of California, Irvine with a major in Art & Design and Media Communications. I hope to become an interior designer because I believe that the right atmosphere can shape and nurture one's character. I am blessed to have the opportunity to represent Taiwanese Americans through my 2014 pageant experience and bring awareness to how truly stunning Taiwan's culture is!











聚丹輝 Darice Chang



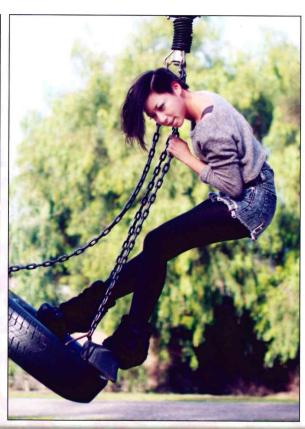
Born and raised in Minnesota, I have been an avid participant in the Taiwanese-American community since childhood, whether through attending Chinese School, volunteering with TzuChi, or playing in the Minnesota Chinese Music Ensemble. In 2007 I graduated from the University of Minnesota with a double major in Studio Art and Japanese and a minor in Biology.

Thereafter, I spent a year living in Taiwan teaching English and immersing myself in Taiwanese culture. During my time there I was lucky to have the opportunity to serve as a youth group leader and volunteer with the Healing Hands Service at Taoyuan Female Prison working with HIV-positive inmates. The love and sincerity I witnessed there impressed upon me deeply, and in 2013 I moved to L.A. where the service originated. As Miss Taiwanese-American I hope to share the kindness and spirit of the Taiwanese people with the world. Thank you so much for this opportunity.











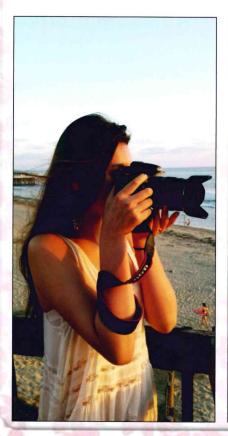


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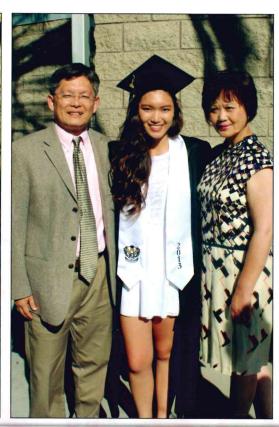


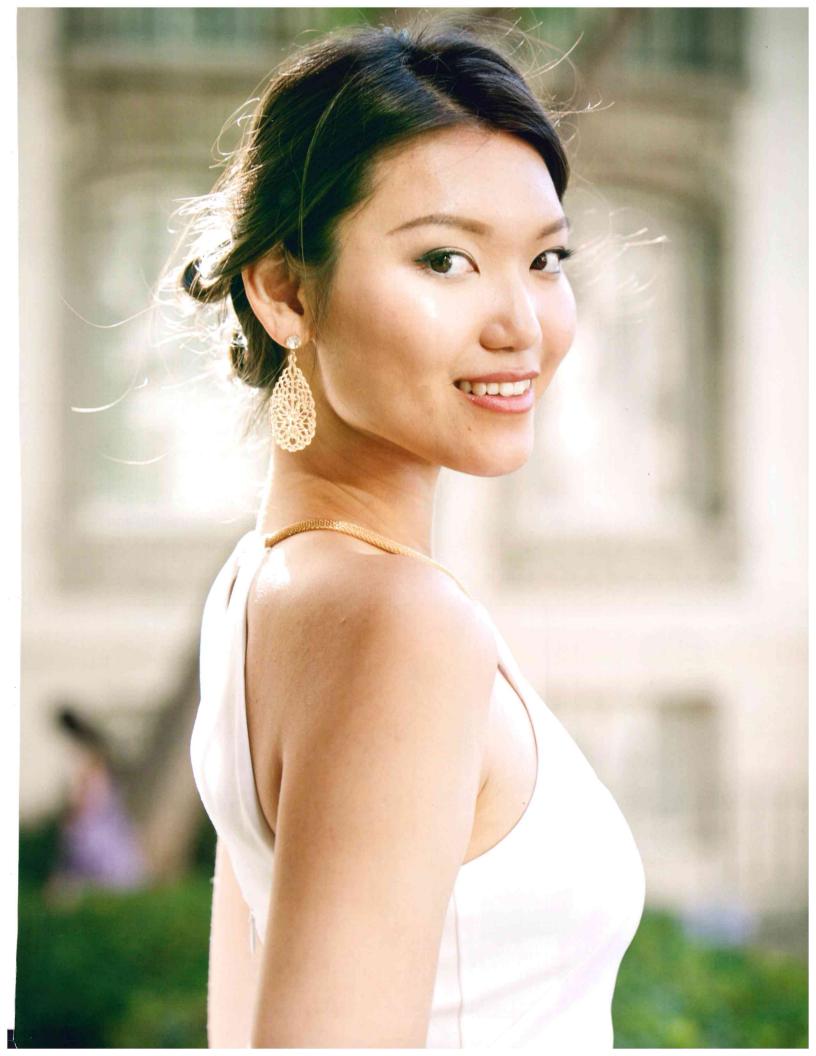
As a San Diego native and a photography enthusiast, I enjoy capturing the best moments of life through different cultural perspectives. I am currently a college student majoring in Psychology. I aim to progress in a field that will allow me to pursue behavioral analysis and research on youth with abnormal behavior.

I have over six years of experience working with children regarding social and language development, and my fluency in both English and Chinese has benefitted me greatly over many years of community service. After parting from my position as the President of Taiwanese Student Association in high school, I entered this year's Miss Taiwanese American Pageant with the goal of advancing my involvement in the Taiwanese American community. This opportunity has changed me greatly as a person, and I'm thankful for all of this year's participants for making this unique experience a great one.











I was born and raised in Taiwan until I immigrated to the United States with my family at the age of ten. I'm a graduate from Glen A. Wilson High School, where I held board positions on the Red Cross and Christian organizations. Having been exposed to both the Taiwanese and American cultures, I feel that my bilingual ability has opened up opportunities to serve my community. Not only do I love to help others, but I also enjoy traveling, playing basketball, designing, and modeling. Aside from the knowledge I have of the two cultures, I also have a supportive family that has greatly influenced me to be a person who is proud of my background. I've learned that life is a climb but the view is great! I want to reach out to my community and hope to further introduce Taiwan to others.











呂婷婷 Connie Lu



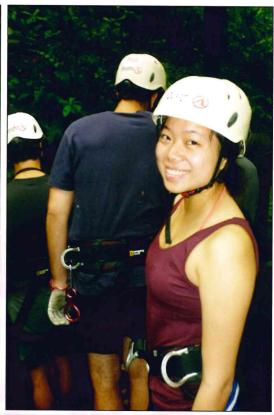
I was born and raised in southern California and moved to Boston five years ago to attend Northeastern University. There I devoted my time to a variety of activities before I graduated with my Pharm. D. from Northeastern in May. I held leadership positions in numerous organizations and was selected as an Albert Schweitzer Fellow. The fellowship gave me a soapbox to help dispel myths of smoking cessation, raise awareness for health risks associated with smoking, and increase cessation rates in an urban community. I also planned a Family Fun and Fitness Day to promote health to families. I recently started my residency at the Veteran Affairs of Loma Linda. In my spare time I enjoy outdoor activities, exploring new areas and cultures, baking, and photography.

I am honored to be one of the Miss Taiwanese American finalists and I look forward to giving my time to and empowering more Taiwanese Americans.











A 林 薇 薇 Daphne Lin



Born and raised in Southern California, I attended Gabrielino High. During this time, I was heavily involved with cross country and track, where I eventually became co-captain of the team. I also love to sing and performed in various solos and participated in our school's show choir, which won gold ratings at festivals three years in a row. Currently a senior at the University of California, Irvine majoring in biology, I plan to pursue a career in the medical field. I also volunteered in many philanthropy projects such as helping the local zoo build a new home for their animals.

Every time I visit Taiwan I feel the strong sense of family and community from its people. Because of that and the great support from my own family, I want to bring more awareness of the Taiwanese culture to America. I hope that these ideals will help others as well.







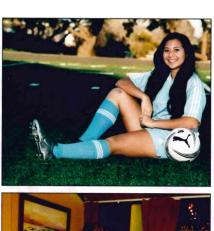
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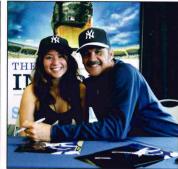


My name is Taylor Censoprano. I am originally from the San Francisco Bay area and currently attend University of California, Irvine. As a harp performance major, I aspire to bring beautiful music of all cultures to our community. I am also a member of Mu Phi Epsilon, a professional music fraternity, which advances music around the country.

Being multi-ethnic, I've had the privilege of getting to know Taiwanese, Dutch, and Italian cultures. As descendants of aboriginal families, my amah and mom always taught me that the Taiwanese are patient and loving.

These qualities are applied toward my everyday life, whether I'm volunteering at a school or rehearsing for performances. I am so fortunate to be a part of the Miss Taiwanese American pageant. I have gotten to know so many amazing women who represent Taiwan in the best way possible, and I look forward to helping the Taiwanese American community.













黄 馨 Joyce Huang



I was born in LA and moved to Taiwan when I was 8 years old. I have had the passion for the arts since my childhood and studied advertising and animation during high school, where I created a 3D animation project that was proudly chosen to exhibit at a design show held at Taiwan World Trade Center. At the show I was inspired by the other creative exhibitors in the field of design and subsequently am now studying Arts and Design at University of Southern California with an emphasis in graphic and intermedia design.

I am also passionate about environmental issues. I love gardening to make my environment eco-friendly. I hope to utilize my skills in design to raise awareness of global warming. It is an honor being a Miss Taiwanese American finalist. I look forward to serving the community and sharing with the world how amazing Taiwanese people are.













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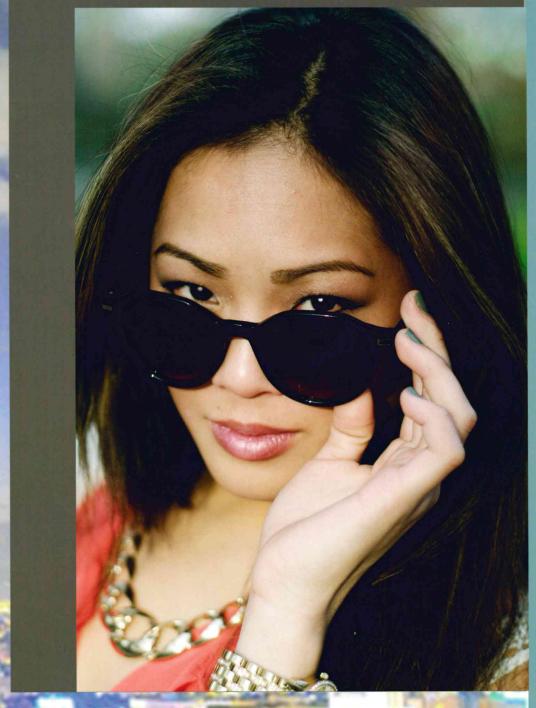


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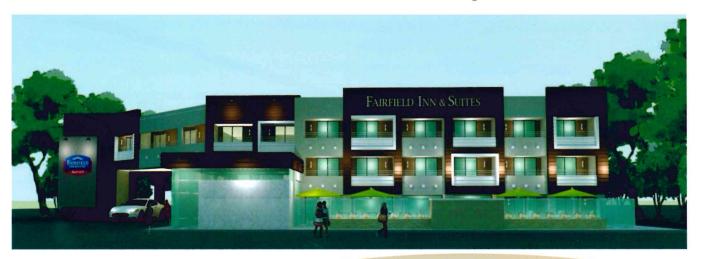
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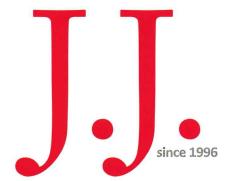


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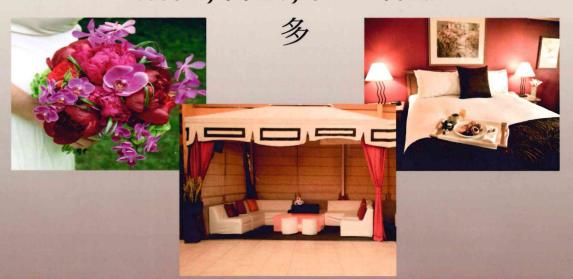
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