



Vincent Chin: Dead or Alive?

A Panel Discussion

Monday, June 19, 6 PM

On June 19, 1982, in Detroit, a young man named Vincent Chin was enjoying his bachelor party with friends when they were accosted by two white men, who blamed them for the success of Japan's auto industry. "It's because of you we're out of work," they were said to have shouted. The men bludgeoned Vincent, 27, with a baseball bat. He died from his injuries four days later. The assailants served no jail time. This case was the first hate crime against an Asian American that sparked nationwide advocacy for justice.

On the 35th anniversary of this horrific hate crime, we continue the discussions that this event triggered, and honor Vincent Chin's life and legacy with a panel discussion entitled *Vincent Chin: Dead or Alive?* Four panelists will discuss what has and has not changed since Vincent's murder, as well as the current state of civic participation and advocacy in API communities.

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Panelists

Cathy Dang

Cathy Dang is currently the Executive Director of CAAAV and has organized in labor and community-led planning for over a decade with Restaurant Opportunities Centers United, the Retail Action Project and other grassroots organizations including the fight to keep Wal-Mart out of Los Angeles' Chinatown. At CAAAV, she has helped lead campaigns winning victories securing dozens of Chinatown tenants' homes and started the first project to organize NYCHA's Asian-immigrant tenants. She is originally from Ridgewood, Queens and Los Angeles, California, and a daughter of Chinese-Vietnamese refugee parents who raised her in a nail salon in Downtown Brooklyn.

Naved Husain

Naved Husain is the NOP Lead Organizer for CAAAV and has a background in labor organizing with UNITE HERE (Local 2, San Francisco) as well as with the National Union of HealthCare Workers (NUHW). He worked on consumer legislative advocacy in New Jersey and co-founded a community organization that pushed police accountability measures in Oakland. He has lived in Queens, Ohio, Massachusetts, New Jersey and the Bay Area and received his BA in Political Science with a minor in Religion at Hunter College. He is also a member of the Asia-Pacific Forum on WBAI where he produces content on Muslims and social justice issues in the US.

Elizabeth R. OuYang

Elizabeth OuYang has been a civil rights attorney for the past 30 years. As president of OCA-NY from 2011-2014, Ms. OuYang led the campaign for justice for Private Danny Chen, a 19 year old soldier found dead in Afghanistan after being hazed and racially maltreated by several of his superiors. Now in its 11th year, Ms. OuYang founded and supervises OCA-NY's Hate Crimes Prevention Art Project, an educational program for New York City high school students. For the past 15 years, Ms. OuYang has been an adjunct professor at Columbia University and New York University. She teaches a pre-law constitutional course affecting African, Latino, and Asian American communities, a post 9-11 immigration policies course, as well as courses on managing diversity and gender issues in the global workforce. She currently is a consultant with APA VOICE (Voting and Organizing to Increase Civic Engagement).

Jason Wu

Jason Wu is the Political Chair for GAPIMNY, an all-volunteer, membership-based community organization in NYC with the mission to empower Queer & Trans API people to create positive change. Jason is a staff attorney at The Legal Aid Society's Harlem Community Law Office, where he represents low income communities of color to preserve and expand affordable housing. He is also the Representative of the LGBTQ Caucus of the Association of Legal Aid Attorneys, the attorney union for The Legal Aid Society, and serves on the union's Executive Board. Jason is a graduate from UCLA School of Law, with a specialization in Critical Race Studies, and Vassar College. While in law school, he served as Co-Editor-in-Chief of the Asian Pacific American Law Journal, and held legal internships with Advancing Justice-LA and the Sylvia Rivera Law Project.

Moderator

Shirley L. Ng

Shirley L. Ng is a contributor to Asian American News, a multi-media journalist for five years, and has been a television host for MTTN-TV in Manalapan, NJ for nearly 10 years. Since 2015, she's helped organize free community events at 21 Pell Street, a venue that primarily showcases the works of Asian Americans, to create awareness of the Asian American movement, their history, social justice movements, and contributions overall. She received her B.A. from Hunter College in Media Communications with a minor in Political Science. She is the National Board Representative for the NYC chapter of the Asian American Journalist Association. She works full-time as the Business Development Coordinator at Brookdale Battery Park Senior Living in Lower Manhattan. She is first generation Chinese American, a native New Yorker born in Manhattan and raised in Chinatown. She now resides in New Jersey.

