**On View**

**August 23 - December 18**

**Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays from 2-8PM or by appointment**

**CARE: Mutual Aid Storefront @ 1223 Vine**

Asian Arts Initiative presents an interactive showcase of mutual aid initiatives led by Black, Indigenous and other People of Color in the city of Philadelphia. Included in the showcase are a people’s fridge, a community reading room, and an Audio-Visual equipment rental kiosk. Perceived on the radical notion that every life is a social movement, we look at the invisible labor of “natural” caregivers, the joyful innovations of communities of care.

**Debrief: School Year 2020-21**

This past year, Asian Arts Initiative served as one of many Access Centers in the city of Philadelphia—a pandemic-responsive education program. Visit our mini-exhibition featuring shadow puppet work by Maize O’Brien, and join us in looking back at our experiences in education during this extraordinarily challenging school year.

**Programs**

**Shannon Lee:**

*Be Water, My Friend Conversation with Anne Ishii*

**Thursday, August 19 6PM**

Join Shannon Lee as she celebrates the first Camp Bruce Lee in Philadelphia, and recalls her father Bruce Lee’s most powerful life philosophies written in her book Be Water, My Friend.

**Marisa Morán Jahn, CareForce**

**Friday, October 1 6PM**

Join us at our “First Friday” speaker event as artist Marisa Morán Jahn presents CareForce**, a project that amplifies the voices of America’s fastest growing workforce, caregivers, and Carehaus, the first care-based co-housing building in the US.

**Asian American Artist Townhall**

**Monday, October 18 6PM**

The Asian American Artist Town Hall invites all artists of Asian descent to come together to pitch their latest projects, share resources, and see sneak peaks of new work.

**Workshop and Talk:**

**Roti as Care, as Craft, as Community**

**Monday, November 22 5/30PM**

With a roti-making demonstration and conversation with Pakistani and Indo-Guyanese mothers and daughters, participants will co-create a capacious dialogue that reveals connection about identity, history, migration, diaspora, and, of course, roti.

**Cynthia Dewi Oka:**

*Fire Is Not A Country* Book Event

**Friday, December 3 6PM**

In her third collection, Indonesian-American poet Cynthia Dewi Oka dives into the implications of being parent, children, workers, and unwanted human beings under the savage reign of global capitalism and resurgent nativism. Join us to celebrate Fire Is Not A Country.

**YAW Community Fair and Weaving Workshop with Katte Geneta**

**Saturday, December 4 12-4PM**

As our youth education season comes to a close, we celebrate with activities, vendors, and artworks created for youth and intergenerational families in our program. Join us!

**Keynote:**

**Angela Garbes**

**Saturday, December 4 2PM**

Angela Garbes is the author of Like a Mother, an NPR Best Book of the Year and finalist for the Washington State Book Award in Nonfiction. Angela will be in conversation with Anne Ishii about the state of motherhood and caregiving in America.

**Youth Arts Workshop**

**After School Program**

**September 8 - December 17**

The Youth Arts Workshop (YAW) is back in session for Fall 2022! Participants (grades 6-8) participate in a fun variety of art projects, open studio, field trips, guest artist workshops, and homework help. Free snacks provided. Contact Jaswinder@AsianArtsInitiative.org or call 215.567.0456 for registration and more information.

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