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## Upcoming Events

To celebrate the growth of our community and the upcoming move to New China Town Center. AAACC is hosting a **Casino Night, Friday April 20<sup>th</sup>, 7-11p.m** at the downtown Hilton Hotel. Join us for Casino games, food, networking and silent auction. This is a fundraising event. Visit [www.austinaacc.org](http://www.austinaacc.org) to RSVP the event. For sponsorship opportunities, please contact Gina at 512-407-8240. The event Chair is Angelic Gutierrez.

Reserve your seat for the **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Multicultural Conventions luncheon to be held May 1**. This is a well-attended and interesting gathering where you will learn new things about travel and the City of Austin (location TBA). Thank you to AAACC **SPONSOR RED VELVET EVENTS**. <http://www.redvelvetevents.com>. AAACC is looking for additional sponsor. If you are interested in, please call Gina at 512-407-8240. This event is hosted by the Austin Conventions & Visitors Bureau (ACVB) and by the following Chambers of Commerce: 1) the Austin Asian American, (AAACC); 2) the Capital City African American (CCAACC); 3) the Greater Austin Hispanic (GHCC) and the 4) Texas Asian (TACC) Chambers. Our guest speaker-Mr. Rob Hampton, VP of Sales from ACVB will present many great information about "[Stimulating Austin's Economy through Multicultural Conventions](#)". Please RSVP this event online at [www.austinaacc.org](http://www.austinaacc.org).

AAACC is a sponsor of The Multicultural Artists Partnership (MAP) who invites the public to an Asian Spring Concert and Art Festival for a **cultural art events weekend on March 30 and 31, 2007**. <http://www.multiculturalartfestivals.org>

## New Change

AAACC has recently changed its website and updated many new features to enhance the connectivity among our members and community. Come check it out and post your company information or announcement at AAACC's website. [www.austinaacc.org](http://www.austinaacc.org)

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Opportunities are available for  
luncheons, events,  
website or yearly

**Business Development Training and Assistance**

Need to get a loan and already have a business plan? Come by and visit us or call Gina Chiang, Executive Director, at 371-0755

**AAACC's Highlighted Members**

Congratulations to **Paula Hui, Owner of RE/MAX Fortune**, who was awarded "Rookie Franchise of the Year 2006" for the State of Texas.

You may contact Paula via telephone at 512/338-9300 or email [paulahui@remax.net](mailto:paulahui@remax.net).

Kudos to Alex Tan of **Tan International / Chinatown Center** for a generous sponsorship of SALUTE 2007 which recognizes and spotlights exceptional teachers, partners, volunteers and staff who make a difference in the academic achievements of students in the Austin Independent School District (AISD).

<http://www.chinatownaustin.com/>

**Events report**

February 22, 2007 – **AAACC** held a luncheon seminar with presenter Yeemay Griffin for the second year on the topic of "Feng Shui For Your Business in the New Year."

**AAACC informs you of opportunities**

The Austin Revitalization Authority (ARA) is currently seeking a qualified firm to provide auditing services for it and its affiliate, the Eleven East Corporation. ARA is a private, nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) community development corporation created as a mechanism to orchestrate the redevelopment of Central East Austin. The Eleven East Corporation is a 501(c)(2), tax-exempt organization created to hold and manage two commercial buildings. The organizations have annual operating budgets of totaling \$820K and \$1.7M respectively and combined assets totaling \$15.2M as of December 31, 2005. At any given time, the organization may have 2-4 construction projects underway that range in value from \$200,000-\$10,000,000. Copies of the RFP are available at ARA's offices located at 1105 Navasota; Austin, TX 78702 and can be made available electronically (call 469-1705). The deadline for submission of proposals is 12:00 pm on Friday, March 23, 2007.

Call Gina at 512/407-8240

#### Historical Chronology:

The Austin Asian American Chamber of Commerce (**AAACC**) was created in 1995 to serve the business community in Austin. In 1998 it received Texas incorporation as a non-profit corporation under IRS 501(c)(6).  
[www@austinaacc.org](http://www@austinaacc.org)

Since 1996, **AAACC** has been part of the Network of Asian American Organizations (NAAO), an IRS 501(c)(4) corp.  
[www@naao.net](http://www@naao.net)

Since 2002, **AAACC** has been a partner in an Austin Multi-ethnic Chamber Alliance known as **MECA**, along with CCAACC and GAHCC.

In May 2004, **AAACC** co-founded the Texas Federation of Asian American Chambers of Commerce (**TFAACC**), with Asian-American Chambers of Commerce in Dallas, Houston and San Antonio and is an IRS 501(c)(3) corp.  
[www@tfaacc.org](http://www@tfaacc.org)

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Austin Cultural Arts  
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[www.cityofaustin.org/culturalplan](http://www.cityofaustin.org/culturalplan)

## AAACC Membership

To renew your membership or to become a new member, please contact the office at 512/407-8240 or apply online at <http://www.austinaacc.org>.

As a member, you may post job and procurement opportunities on the AAACC website.

All memberships are renewed bi-annually on January 31st and July 31st. For those joining before or after those dates, the membership fee is prorated.

101 or more employees	\$750
41 to 100 Employees	\$500
1 to 5 Employee	\$150
Non-Profit or Government Agencies	\$200
Individual	\$ 50
Student	\$ 20

Membership is a major funding source for AAACC and we look forward to your assistance and involvement.

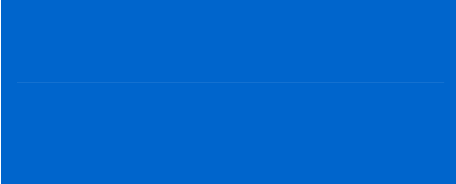
## AAACC's Partners

### Austin Conventions and Visitors Bureau

Austin is a city with a heart and with a soul. Cosmopolitan, yet unpretentious. Thriving cultural scene and vibrant nightlife. High-tech, low-key. Big city, college town. Quirky and far from ordinary, it's the kind of place where you check your worries at the city limits sign, trade in suits for something a bit more casual and prepare for experiences you'll find only in Austin. [click here](#)

### Austin's Newest Landmark – Chinatown Center. [click here](#)

Austin's newest landmark, Chinatown Center celebrated Chinese New Year's - Year of the Pig - under a huge 5,000 square foot big top tent. The event was organized by Red Velvet Events and was held on February 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, 2007. AAACC encourages you to



experience Chinatown Center -- shop; eat; and be entertained. The Chinatown Center is located at 10901 N. Lamar Blvd. at the intersection of Kramer and N. Lamar.