

Asian Pacific American Heritage Association (APAHA) Presents World Professional Classic Ballroom Dance Showcase

Houston – Asian Pacific American Heritage Association (APAHA) celebrates the Asian Pacific Heritage Month with World Dance Council (WDC) world professional classic show dance champions - Mr. Guoyong Zhang and Ms. Huanhuan She. Sponsored by Houston Arts Alliance's City Initiative Program, the Ballroom Dance Showcase will take place on May 9, 2014.

This event is to celebrate the accomplishments of Asian Pacific American artists, and to promote ballroom dancing. Originally from China, Guoyong Zhang and Huanhuan She began their trainings at age 9. They have competed in the WDC, which is a leading authority on professional dance competitions. Mr. Zhang and Ms. She were the WDC classic show dance silver medalists in The Netherlands in 2006, and the gold medalists in Ukraine in 2007. They have settled in Houston since 2010, and have dedicated their lives to the art of ballroom dancing.

The dance showcase will take place at the Omni Houston Hotel, 4 Riverway, Houston, Texas 77056. The spectacular performance by Mr. Guoyong Zhang and Ms. Huanhuan She will begin at 8:30pm. Admission is \$40 per person, which includes the showcase followed by dance party; or \$125 per person, which includes the dance showcase and dinner package.

About the Asian Pacific Heritage Month

The Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month originated in 1978 when the United States Congress passed a law. This law directed President Jimmy Carter to issue a proclamation designating a week-long celebration of Asian Pacific American Heritage. In response to Congress' request to expand the Asian Pacific American Heritage Week, President George H.W. Bush signed into law in 1992 designating the month of May as the Asian Pacific American Heritage Month. In the following decades, Presidents have annually issued proclamations designating the month of May as the Asian Pacific American Heritage Month.

About Asian Pacific American Heritage Association (APAHA)

APAHA is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. It was formed in 1992 to promote Asian Pacific American accomplishments and heritage through education, celebration, and raising cultural awareness. To make positive contributions to the Asian Pacific and the Greater Houston communities, APAHA has collaborated with public and private entities to provide ongoing educational, cultural, and scholarship programs. For more information about APAHA, please visit www.apaha.org.

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