



2013 APANET Diwali Celebration

## Committees

Committees serve to assist the Board of Directors in carrying out APANET's mission and objectives and include Board of Directors and members.

- **Membership**

-Co-chairs: *Rodrick Mak & Karen Beck*

- **Social**

-Co-Chairs: *Ericson Lachica, Kai Chang, Miranda Le, Angela Nguyen*

- **International Affairs**

-Chair: *Arti Shah*

- **Community Service**

-Chair: *Monique Watts*

- **Professional Development**

-Co-chairs: *Dah-Wei Yuan & Xiao (Sam) Zhao, David Yi*

- **Education/Dragon Boat**

-Chair: *Kang Hu, Ljiljana (Lil) Ciric, Minh Phan, Ankur Jain (May Heritage), Shaheda Abdin, Angela Nguyen (Lunar New Year)*

- **Public Relations/Communications**

-Co-chairs: *James Marandi, Raj Miah, Angela Nguyen*

Members can join a committee by contacting the committee chair.

## Volunteers

Volunteering is a great way to get involved, meet others, and learn more about the organization. To volunteer for an APANET event, please contact Franco Salvoza or Phillip Nguyen at HQ in Alexandria or Xi Wang at the Texas Regional Office.

# Contact Us

## 2021 Board of Directors

### Executive Board

*President:* Hannah Wang

*Vice President:* Ljiljana (Lil) Ciric

*Treasurer:* Rodrick Mak

*Secretary:* Karen Beck

### TC Representatives

*TC 1700:* Dah Wei Yuan

Ericson Lachica

*TC 2100:* David Yi

Miranda Le

*TC 2400:* Angela Nguyen

James Marandi

*TC 2600:* Shaheda Abdin

Tsung-Yin (Yin) Tsai

*TC 2800:* Minh Phan

Vipin Patel

*TC 3600:* Abby Lin

Karen Beck

*TC 3700:* Brijesh Patel

Thuyhang Nguyen

### At-Large Representatives

Xiao (Sam) Zhao, Kang Hu, Kai Chung, Razu Miah

### CFO/CIO/OPIM/PTAB/Other Representatives

Arti Shah

### Trademark Representative

Monique Watts

### Immediate Past President

Phuong Nguyen

### Texas Regional Office Contact

Xi Wang



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2016 APANET Lunar New Year

# USPTO Asian Pacific American Network (APANET)

## Mission

To support and promote the diversity goals of the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office (USPTO);

To educate all USPTO employees about the diverse cultural heritage of the Asian Pacific American community through seminars and cultural celebrations;

To assist our members in their career and professional development;

To foster a working environment within the USPTO that is free of prejudice, bias and stereotypes.

## Membership Types

APANET offers two types of memberships, one for USPTO employees and one for non-USPTO employees.

- The USPTO Employee Membership costs \$1.00 biweekly by payroll deduction or \$26.00 by check or cash once a year.
- The Non-USPTO Employee Membership costs \$26.00 by check or cash once a year.

To join APANET, a membership form must be completed and returned to the Membership Committee (Co-Chairs Rodrick Mak and Karen Beck). The membership form is available at APANET events and online at <https://goo.gl/1GCQGI>.



2014 APANET May Heritage Celebration



2014 APANET Dragon Boat Race

## Membership Benefits

- Cultural celebrations (i.e., Lunar New Year, Diwali, May Heritage, Moon Festival)
- Social events (i.e., happy hours, lunches, breakfasts, coffee breaks)
- Educational events (i.e., career & professional development lectures and workshops, cooking workshops)
- Members-only discounts (i.e., free or discounted member price to all APANET events)
- Outreach opportunities (i.e., mentoring and tutoring students, participating in natural disaster relief efforts and charity efforts)
- APANET volunteer opportunities (i.e., as an event volunteer or as a committee member)

### For APANET event info:

- Visit the APANET website, Facebook page, or SharePoint page.
- Look for announcements on bulletins around the USPTO campus
- Check the USPTO Weekly web page
- Receive flyers via email (members only)