

#### MISSION

The Queer Asian Pacific-Islander Alliance (QAPA) is committed to providing a supportive social, political, and educational environment for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning women and men of Asian/Pacific Islander (API) heritage in the Boston and New England area (this is inclusive of APIs, API Americans, and those who are of multicultural/multiracial heritage). We currently have near 300 members in the New England area.



#### **NETWORKING**

QAPA is committed to building alliances with other ethnic and queer organizations such as:

- Massachusetts Asian & Pacific Islanders (MAP for Health)
- Queer Women of Color (QWOC+)

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To subscribe to our mailing list, write to: qapa-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

# **HISTORY**

QAPA was founded in 1979 by Siong-Huat Chua, a native of Malacca, Malaysia. At inception, it was named Boston Asian Gay Men and Lesbians (BAGMAL), and later renamed the Alliance of Massachusetts Asian Lesbians and Gay Men (AMALGM). In 1994, became what we know it by today, QAPA, to reflect our inclusion of bisexual, transgendered, and questioning individuals, as well as Pacific-Islanders.

In 2009, we proudly celebrated our 30th anniversary as the oldest Asian queer organization in the United States, and we are still going strong.



### **COMMUNITY**

QAPA is pleased to sponsor community-building events each month including:

- Dinner outings
- Game night / movie night
- Bar and club meet ups
- Rap discussions on topics relevant to the queer API experience
- Workshops, panel discussions, and conferences
- Annual Pride march
- AIDS Walk