



MULTICULTURAL
INSTITUTE



JUNE 2022

MI LINKS



MOTHER'S DAY FUNDRAISER & CELEBRATION!

The Multicultural Institute (MI) would like to thank everyone that supported MI's Mother's Day Fundraiser by purchasing and donating Wine Baskets and Flower & Berry arrangements!

Staff came together to dip over 600 strawberries in white and pink chocolate and assembled over 60 arrangements for the special occasion.

Supporters and anonymous donors generously bought flower arrangements and wine baskets for the hard working mothers in MI's North Fair Oaks Domestic Worker program (pictured above).

Thanks to your support, MI was able to give these resilient mothers a gift and raise over \$2,000 to continue funding MI's Mentoring for Academic Success (MAS) afterschool tutoring program!

MI'S WELCOME BACK MIXER

On May 25th, the Multicultural Institute's Board of Directors hosted MI's Welcome Back Mixer, MI's first in-person event since the start of the COVID pandemic. The MI Board and Staff welcomed community partners, supporters and program participants to MI's central office in Berkeley to show all MI has been able to accomplish in spite of the pandemic. The event also marked one year since Mirna Cervantes took on the role of Executive Director.

Guests enjoyed catering provided by Los Moles and margaritas while exploring the Berkeley site through guided tours provided by MI Staff.

Stay tuned for more in-person MI events to come!



YOUTH WRITING FESTIVAL

MI's Youth Writing Festival (YWF) is back for Summer 2022! Sign up your students for the month-long STEAM and writing skills development summer program.

Now enrolling students grades 3-9! Partial and full scholarships are available. Contact MI for more information.

To enroll, contact Gelo Calocarivas: gelo@mionline.org or (510) 847-0736.



YOUTH WRITING FESTIVAL

Summer 2022

Only \$200* Sign up for the Multicultural Institute's Youth Writing Festival (YWF)! The YWF is designed to help students expand writing skills and express their creativity through daily writing and STEAM projects.

June 20th - July 15th

- Grades 3rd - 9th
- Monday-Friday
- 9am-12pm

In-person with COVID safety measures!

1920 Seventh St. Berkeley, CA

To register, contact: (510) 847-0736 gelo@mionline.org

*Financial assistance available

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PARTNERING WITH LATINX ORGANIZATIONS

This past year, the MI team committed to building and reinforcing local and state-wide partnerships with other organizations that share the same values & aid the Latinx immigrant community. Most recently, MI partnered with La



Peña Cultural Center in Berkeley. MI staff volunteered to work the coat rack at La Peña's May BAILA dance party to share health resources, COVID tests and promote MI's programs with BAILA guests (pictured to the left). MI staff boogied down while making new community connections!

MI was also able to partner with La Clinica-TRUCHA to receive free Narcan education and use trainings that staff will be able to share with Day Laborers as the opioid epidemic begins to ravage through our community. All MI staff are now trained to use and carry Narcan and fentanyl testing strips.

As part of state-wide coalition building efforts, MI has updated its advocacy policies to be able to join immigrant serving organizations in signing-on to multiple immigrant rights letters to the State government such as the Immigrant Equity Budget letter that urges the state to not forget undocumented youth and elders in the State budget. We are excited for more partnerships and coalition building to come before the end of the fiscal year.

SUPPORT OUR WORK

Serving the immigrant community with Equity, Dignity, Integrity, Dedication and Joy



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