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- ◆ Do You Have Something You'd Like to Share with Our Readership?
- ◆ Do You Know How to Become an Affiliated Member Organization with AMEA?
- ◆ Help Us Plan Our Next National Conference Celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the Loving v State of Virginia Decision

LOOK INSIDE!

The Million Dollar Round Table Makes Donation to AMEA

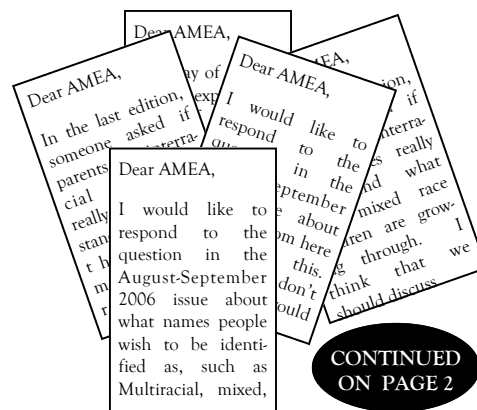
We would like to publicly thank the generous \$5,000 grant donation that was recently made to AMEA on behalf of the Million Dollar Round Table Foundation. We would also like to acknowledge the MDRT Executive Director, Mr. Nick M. Falco, for his diligent effort for which this donation was made possible. As a non-profit organization that is often met with many demands beyond the scope of a limited budget, AMEA sincerely appreciates such generosity and support. It enables us to keep afloat in order to better serve the needs of this infinitely diverse population day in and day out.

It is also our pleasure to announce that we intend to use some of these funds towards the June 2007 Loving Day celebration planning. The remaining funds will assist in finishing our new website and other smaller projects. Our appreciation goes out again to the Million Dollar Round Table for believing in our mission and goals. Thank you!

NEW! Respond to Newsletter Questions

Every month, AMEA receives questions from all walks of life; from different age groups, ethnic backgrounds, locations, you name it! In order to create more dialogue within this diverse community, we thought it would be a great opportunity to pose some of these questions to all of you, including thought provoking questions we come up with from time to time, to find out what you think.

In each edition, we will ask two questions for which anyone can respond to one, or both. We will print a few responses to each



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Mark Your Calendars: June 21-24, 2007

AMEA, along with the leading organizations, community leaders, scholars, activists, allies, and students across the nation are currently planning the 40th Anniversary celebration of the Loving v. State of Virginia decision which ended the ban on interracial marriage in the United States on June 12, 1967. There are many working committees that have been created to make this event a

great success. **Committees include:** Events/Activities, Speakers/Workshops, Facilities/Logistics, Education/Outreach, Administrative, Development. There is still ample time for anyone to get involved and assist in whatever capacity one can give... this includes you!

“... this will not be like any event you have ever attended before!”

The location has been generously offered by **Roosevelt University** in Chicago,

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AMEA: Representing the Multiracial, Multiethnic, and Transracial Adoption Community Since 1988.

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question in the following editions. You may also submit interesting questions as well. We will only print your first name, city, and state, unless you tell us otherwise.

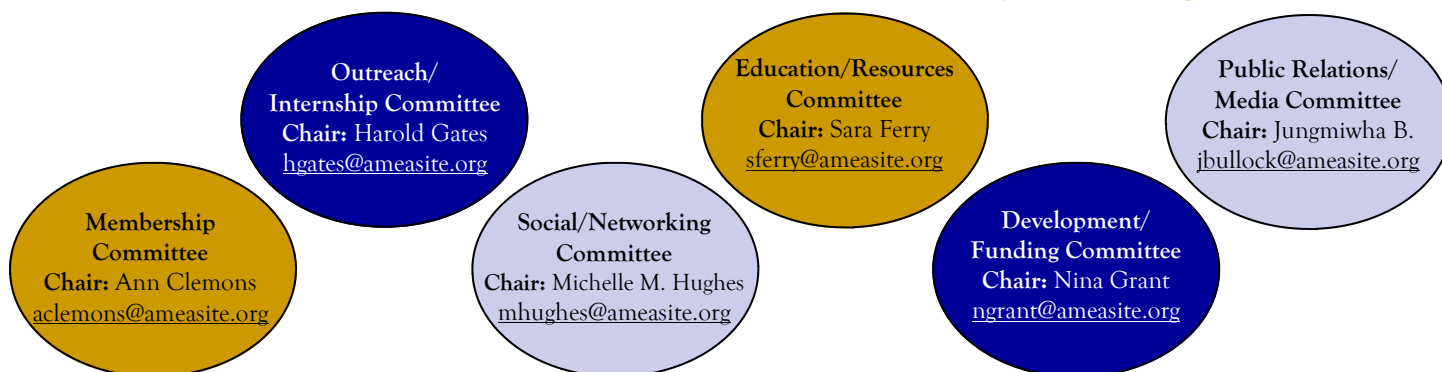
Please limit your responses to no more than 1000 words. Email responses to AMEAorg@aol.com, with "ATTN: Newsletter Response" in the subject heading. Or you may send hard copies to our P.O. Box.

Send in Your Responses to This Edition's Thought Provoking Questions (DEADLINE: Friday, October 6, 2006)

Question 1: There are many names used to describes people within this diverse community (i.e., multiracial, hapa, mixed, hybrid, mulatto, halfbreed, etc.). Do you think these different subgroups, or terminologies, causes segregation *within* the so-called "multiracial movement"? Why or why not?

Question 2: The dates of the 40th anniversary event in honor of the 1967 Loving v Virginia decision which ended the ban on interracial marriage in the U.S. will fall during the same weekend as LGBT Pride, a community which is currently fighting for their right to marry in 2006. What are your thoughts? What things should both communities consider in the pre-planning stages? What, if anything, would you like to see happen in this next year leading up to that weekend?

Committees Formed to Meet Needs of Community—Seeking Volunteers:



Get Involved: AMEA Opportunities!

**FOR YOUR
CONVENIENCE, TO
JOIN, VOLUNTEER,
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DONATE,
A MEMBERSHIP
APPLICATION IS
LOCATED ON PAGES
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IN THIS NEWSLETTER.**

Here are a few ways that you, your family and friends, organization(s), or business(es) can become involved with AMEA. Let us know if you are interested in:

MEMBERSHIP

- We have several types of dues paying memberships: *individual, family, member, and ally*.
- We also offer several benefits with your membership, including this newsletter. See page 14
- We can also assist you in starting your own AMEA affiliate group!

LEADERSHIP

- We are currently developing our board and welcome new and energetic leaders.
- Board members are **not paid!!!**

- If you or anyone you know would be interested in applying, please contact us ASAP!

WEB DEVELOPMENT

- We are currently revamping our website. We would like to hire a qualified webmaster (for pay) to help us in this process.
- It is our goal to have full functioning websites for all of our affiliate organizations up and running by 2007.

FUNDING

- As a non-profit organization, we are always in need of funding for operating expenses to help serve the community with various activities and initiatives.
- If you have experience with grant writing, grant searching,

fundraising development and more, we would love to speak with you further.

- 100% of our membership dues contribute to fundraising goals.
- In-kind donations are welcome.

VOLUNTEERING

- Volunteers are always needed.
- As activities arise, we would like to be able to reach out to a database of volunteers to help grow our affiliate organizations.

INTERNSHIP

- AMEA internship applications are now available. See page 3
- This program is our attempt to bridge the disconnect between young and old generations MR/ME/TRA individuals.

New AMEA Internship/Mentorship Program Seeks Energetic, Motivated Students

CALLING ALL INTERESTED STUDENTS—High School to Graduate

Applications for AMEA's internship program are NOW AVAILABLE! If you, or anyone you know may be interested in applying, please let us know as soon as possible. If you are interested in becoming a mentor, please let us know as well. Feel free to forward this information far and wide! The details are described in the actual application.

COMPENSATION

- All interns are paired with and receive direct mentorship with an organization leader throughout the internship process (this includes, AMEA board members, affiliate members, ally businesses, etc.).
- At this time, the internships are *for credit* and/or *service learning/volunteer hours* only. However, we are also currently working on additional funding to hopefully provide small stipends to interns for academic needs.
- As an intern, you also get a complimentary 1-year AMEA student membership for **FREE**.
- Recommendation letters and other immeasurable benefits, like official leadership positions, are potentially available after the successful completion of your internship through both AMEA and your mentor organizations.

TYPES OF INTERNSHIPS

Most internships can be completed from virtually anywhere, especially if you're technologically savvy! The types of tasks that students will be assigned will depend on the skills and interests of each student, and the needs of the project, mentor, or affiliated organization to which the student is assigned.

Students have several internship options to choose from. Here are a few preliminary options and as the program begins to expand, so too will the options available to you. Since we have affiliate organizations and projects in several cities, as well as Canada (and soon to be other countries), you have a diversity of choices in terms of location. You do not have to live in the same city or state to be assigned, however, you must have access to different modes of communication with your mentor.

OPTION 1

"Executive Board Committee Intern"

Assist one of the main AMEA committees each headed by an AMEA executive board member (*media/public relations, membership, social/networking, education/resources, development/funding, and outreach*). This means you work directly at the national level. If you are selected to work with an AMEA board member/officer, they will also mentor you with the intention of getting you involved with future leadership opportunities.

OPTION 2

"Affiliate Organization Intern"

Assist one of the local/state AMEA affiliate member organizations or businesses to help them develop programs, increase membership, advertise, etc. You will assist them with specific tasks to maintain a successfully running affiliate through various activities assigned through your affiliate organization mentor. There is also the possibility of helping individuals form new affiliate organizations, such as student chapters.

OPTION 3

"Special Projects Intern"

Assist at the national level with specialized projects for which AMEA is currently involved with, or for new projects, you can assist from creation to implementation. For examples, the *Mixed Heritage Center* and the 2007 Loving Day 40th Anniversary celebration, requires several motivated interns to help run these projects successfully. Highly motivated, seasoned interns also have the option to create and submit project ideas that they wish to lead for AMEA.

HOW TO REQUEST AN APPLICATION

Please email Harold Gates, Vice President and Outreach/Internship Chair **AND** the main AMEA account if you are interested in applying, or if you know a young person or scholar that may benefit from this opportunity, or if you're interested in becoming a mentor: hgates@ameasite.org AND AMEAorg@aol.com.

1. Please specify what you are requesting in the subject heading (for example, please type "AMEA Internship Application," "AMEA Mentor," "AMEA Internship Question," etc.)
2. Include your a) Name; b) Address; c) Email Address; d) Phone; e) University; f) Year/Level in College; g) Birthdate

A Camp Especially for Adoptees

By Carmen Knight, Knox College Student

Edited By Michelle M. Hughes, AMEA Board Member

Remember when you were young and summer was rolling around which meant it was time to decide how you were going to spend your summer? If you were like many children you probably were going to attend some kind of summer camp. There are a variety of camps out there for almost every age and interest, but did you know that among all the camps out there, there is one especially for adoptees? Yes it's a camp especially for adoptees that are either domestic or internationally adopted and it is called Culture Camp. And this summer I was fortunate enough to visit and speak at one with Bridge Communications Inc.

What I saw at the Culture Camp touched me deeply and I could tell right away that this was so much more than just a regular camp. This was a place where all adoptees could come to learn to be proud of their cultural heritage but at the same time make new friends just like them. The friendships they were forming were something special, something that not all adoptees get to experience.

Friendship basics tells us that we look for friends that are similar to us, be that similar interests or similar families. We want friends that will understand us. And though many of the campers were too young to realize it, that was exactly the type of people they were surrounded by. For the older teenage campers, the ones I worked with, many said they come for the people even though they don't get to see each other on a regular basis, because they come from neighboring states. And by the looks of the group it was very clear to see the bond between the campers; a bond that was something special and it happened all because of Culture Camp.

Camp creates an environment where adoptees have an opportunity to play and talk about adoption and related topics with other adoptees and adults who care and understand. For the older group of kids (ages 11-18) this is even more so since they have Bridge Communications Inc. come in to specifically talk about adoption related matters. Yet all age groups will tackle adoption related matters in a warm loving way because everyone at camp, workers, parents and campers, have had adoption touch their life so they understand.

Being an international and transracial adoptee myself, I only wish I could have been a part of such a group in such a warm loving environment when I was younger. It's a



CULTURE CAMP ATTENDEES: BECCA, ANDREW, NOEL, MYLES, ANDREW, NATHANIEL, RACHEL, PRIYA, MATT, ALEX, DELANEY, JOEY

camp like any other camp with arts and crafts and other activities but it's so much more than that. It's a place to create special, meaningful friendships with a common bond even if the friends only get to meet once a year. The friendships are not only for adoptees but for the siblings and parents as well. And from an outsider, wishing she

was an insider, it definitely looked like there was a friend to be made no matter if you were an adoptee, sibling, or a parent. And no one ever said there was such a thing as having too many friends.

I attended the Chicago area culture camp, Hands Around the World (HAW) at www.handsaroundtheworld.com. Children at this week long camp come from Illinois and neighboring states. Other adoption culture camps in the United States are listed yearly in the April issue of

Adoptive Families Magazine at www.adoptivefamilies.com. Bridge Communications, Inc. www.bridgecommunications.org, has been presenting programs at culture camp for the last three years to the Cutting Edge division (ages 11-18). Campers can start as early as infants and continue through different divisions through their teenage years. Most culture camps welcome adult adoptees to volunteer as camp counselors. And the adoptee campers appreciate it even more.

Carmen Knight is a 3rd year student at Knox College where she is majoring in Social Science and Secondary Education, and an international transracial adoptee.

Michelle M. Hughes is an adoption attorney and co-founder of Bridge Communication Inc. and currently serves on the AMEA Executive Board as the Social/Networking Chair.

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iPride's FUSION Summer Camp A Success!

By Joemy Ito-Gates, FUSION Program Director and Founder, & Member of iPride AMEA Affiliate

FUSION: A Summer Day Camp for Mixed Heritage & Transracially Adopted Youth, a new program of iPride, celebrated its second summer of exploring identity through art and movement in Oakland, CA. Campers were lead by trained professional staff, through a unique arts-based curriculum written by iPride board members.

Younger campers, ages 7-9, made books about their family using disposable cameras and collages and they also made puppets representing their future selves. Older campers, ages 10-12, made identity movies using iMovie, as well as masks representing how they are perceived by society and how they perceive themselves. All campers par-

ticipated in cooking, martial arts, and dance classes. For two weeks campers and staff created a dynamic community where mixed heritage and transracial identities and experiences were front and center. At the closing night ceremony tears were shed, memories shared, and the need for mixed heritage and transracially adopted communities reaffirmed. Please visit www.ipride.org to find out about upcoming family events and workshops.

iPride is an affiliate member organization of AMEA. For more information about iPride or the FUSION program, please visit: www.ipride.org or www.fusionprogram.org. To get more information about the camp, contact Joemy Ito-Gates at joemy@fusionprogram.org or call 510.414.8686.



TOP: (L-R) NAOMI, LARISSA, HANNAH, AYANA, JOEMY, MICHELLE, KATIE, ADRIANA, GRACE, SHAMANI; BOTTOM: GRACE & JEREMY



LEFT: LARISSA, ADRIANA, KYLE, AYANA; RIGHT: ADRIANA, AYANA, SHAMANI, NAOMI



This year's FUSION camp was held from July 24 to August 4

Status of Mixed Heritage in Canada: II - Anti-Racism Conference

By TheosoD'Rejean L. Turner, M.A. [L.I.S.], Coordinator/Spokesperson of MOXHCA, AMEA Canadian-affiliate

CUPE-Alberta's "Anti-Racism" Conference held in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, April 28-30 representing diverse ethnic/"racial" backgrounds, was a significant step forward, even in that it occurred (see recap in the June-July 2006 newsletter, page 7).

Since this was classified as an "educational conference" (rather than a decision-makers convention), participants felt able to speak more freely, especially during workshop/work-group sessions. Many already had been acquainted or previously involved, in an education or community volunteer setting.

I write to broaden essential communications in a timely way, as a 5th generation multiracially-mixed descendant, and spokesperson for AMEA/MOXHCA, our only advocate in Canada.

My intent is to be constructive and fair; injecting some of my personal experiences is

meant both to support and amplify serious issues. In stating my firm views, no offense is intended and none should be taken.

During and after the "Anti-Racism" Conference, I sensed/encountered from many of the people with whom I spoke (individually) about MOXHCA/AMEA-most of the combined reactions Elliott Lewis lists in the April-May 2006 AMEA Newsletter in reference to his book, *Fade*. I was thoroughly reminded of early childhood/ lifelong racial traumas :

(1) "interrogation" factors : "what are you? where are you from? what is your background?" ~;

(2) "chameleon" (in the 50's as "you're 'different' from 'those others'?![or] 'you're not that dark') ~ which others?? ~ other Latino/as? Creoles?? "Coloureds"??? - more recently/ consistently, "dark-skinned, light-brown Hispanic/Latina/ South Asian (Pakistan/India/Malaysia/Indonesia/

New Zealand/ Fiji) Creole (Hispanic or French) Caribbean (Puerto Rico, Jamaica, Trinidad, Bahamas) / Egypt, North Africa/ " ~ depending on [viewer] level of experience or biases ~;

(3) "bewilderment or disbelief when sharing life stories" [e.g.] : attempts "to discredit our personal histories and racial experiences" ~;

(4) "[a]ttacked for a suspected lack of racial group allegiance or authenticity" [e.g.] "running away from your blackness" ~ (impossible for most curly/crinkly-haired "brown-hybrids")!

I believe only those who support systemic racism, consciously or otherwise, mis-perceive "mixed with" black [or] red [or] white [etc.] equivalent of "primarily" black or red or white. Visiting Elliott's website, I found it interesting that being of "multiracial" heritage also meant in his

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Mixed Philadelphia: A Social Club for Young Multiracial Professionals

Submitted By Sara Ferry CAGS, AMEA Board Member and Secretary

Twenty-four-year-old Elana Nolan has started *Mixed Philadelphia* in hopes of bringing young multiracial adults together in social settings to share personal stories, make friends, and embrace diversity. She describes the mission of Mixed Philadelphia to be the "premier social outlet for young professionals in the Philadelphia area, who share an interest in learning about cultural diversity and back-

grounds from all over the world". Mixed Philadelphia meets once a month, with each member hosting an event each month. The social events range from dinner to wine bars to jazz clubs. Additionally, Mixed Philadelphia will also be participating in volunteer events throughout the city. Interested in joining? Contact Elana at elananolan@hotmail.com.

The Topaz Club Gathers for First Official Get Together in IL

By Arana Fossett and Robin Tillman, AMEA members and Topaz women



SHOWING OFF THE SPIRIT OF TTC: (BACK) MICHELLE M. HUGHES (AMEA BOARD MEMBER), SANDRA WILLIAMS, DANIELLE MOSELEY; (FRONT) VALERIE BECK, ARANA FOSSETT, SHENA OMOTOLA, ROBIN TILLMAN

TTC MEMBERS SOCIALIZING AT THE SIGNATURE LOUNGE: (LEFT TO RIGHT) ROBIN TILLMAN, ARANA FOSSETT, DARLENE WHITTINGTON, MICHELLE M. HUGHES, VALERIE BECK



The Topaz Club, an online-based social/support sisterhood [for biracial/multiracial women and girls who are of African/African-American descent in combination with other heritages] gathered for its first official National Get Together in Chicago, Illinois from August 9th through August 13th. The Get Together celebrated TTC's 2-year existence and brought together its members in the spirit of camaraderie and friendship.

The gathering began with an informal opening toast at the Signature Lounge at the John Hancock Building, on the 96th Floor. The TTC sisters enjoyed Chicago's magnificent nighttime skyview and a firework presentation over Navy Pier. Thursday's and Friday's activities included visits to local muse-

ums, going to a concert at Millennium Park, socializing with each other casually at various restaurants, and spending time at the beach.

Saturday's agenda consisted of an array of activities. The day began with an appearance at the Biracial Family Network's monthly meeting. Later, the TTC sisters showed their pride in their sisterhood by taking photos and wearing t-shirts bearing the group's symbols, while having lunch at the Oak Street Beachstro.

TTC sister, Valerie Beck, sponsored a special Chocolate Tour for the group, taking the TTCers to various famous chocolate shops on Michigan Avenue's famous Magnificent Mile and Oak Street. The day's activities ended with dinner, a boat tour on Lake Michigan, a ride on Navy Pier's famous Ferris Wheel, and the viewing

of Navy Pier's firework show. The weekend concluded on Sunday, with a brunch at the Oaktree Café on Michigan Avenue (which is a popular and a preferred restaurant to dine at for Chicago TTCers).

The Get Together turned out to be a fun and an enjoyable event for its members. TTC is planning to conduct a workshop/presentation of the group at the upcoming AMEA Loving Day summit in June 2007. Besides operating at its home base as its online group, TTC also hosts occasional local get togethers and informal dinner/meetups in various cities throughout the U.S. TTC is also planning to have future National Get Togethers, possibly in other cities, in 2008.

Information and inquiries about The Topaz Club can be found at the following website: <http://www.thetopazclub.com/>

New Affiliate Organization Member Spotlight: *People of Multi-Ethnicities (POME) of New York City Joins AMEA*

By Sabrina Roberts, Chair of POME/AMEA Affiliate Member

Being a person of multiple ethnicities, it has always been inspiring to share with others who have had similar experiences. I could not fathom that New York City, one of the most racially diverse cities in the world, did not have a local AMEA group to foster this endeavor, so we created NYC POME to build a community of multiracial individuals and families where this exchange can take place.

In conjunction with the Association of MultiEthnic Americans (AMEA), the mission of the People of Multi-Ethnicities (POME) of New York City is:

- ◆ To share and explore experiences of racially and culturally blended families, couples, and individuals.
- ◆ To advocate, educate and collaborate on behalf the multiethnic, multiracial and trans-racial adoption community.
- ◆ To unify our growing community for mutual support and public recognition.

To date, we have held an initial meeting to organize POME, and we currently have about 20 members. It is our hope to become more visible in NY to reach out to local people who would be interested in joining. All are welcome.

Our first celebration is planned for Saturday, September 30th, which will give us an opportunity to help spread the word about our group, to invite New Yorkers to see what we're all about and to provide an opportunity for participation. Although New York City has always promoted racial tolerance; NYC POME goes even further in that our members are inherently racially collaborative!

NYC POME's kickoff event promises to be a special evening including readings from group members, live music, dance, comedy and more. We look forward to this collaboration with AMEA and the other affiliate organizations and members.

SAVE THE DATE:

COME OUT AND JOIN US TO
CELEBRATE THE CREATION OF
THE NY AMEA AFFILIATE

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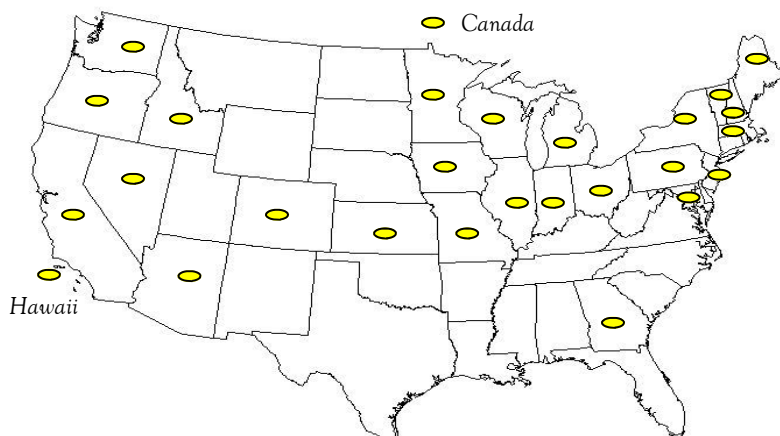
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FOR MORE INFORMATION, EMAIL:

NYCPOME@GMAIL.COM

Since introducing the AMEA newsletter in April 2006, many new Individuals/Students, Family, Ally, and Organization members have joined. It is our hope that we will have members and affiliate organizations/chapters in all states, including other countries, in only a few more years. Here's a visual map of where our members are now, which includes Canada. Hope you will join us!



If your state is not highlighted, this indicates that at this time, there is no affiliate organization or member from within that state. Perhaps you can be the first. Please join us!

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

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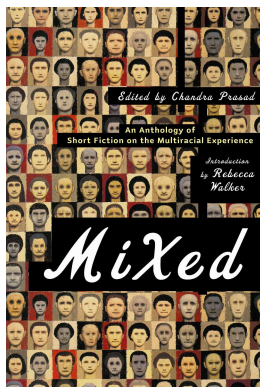
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AMEA to Review New Anthology

Contributed By Chandra Prasad

For Immediate Release

Mixed: An Anthology of Short Fiction on the Multiracial Experience



America has always prided itself on being a melting-pot, a country where people of different ethnic and racial backgrounds live together, interact, and intermarry. While we frequently make a show of celebrating diversity, all too often the implications and issues of belonging and identity surrounding America's vast multiracial population are ignored. In **MIXED**, editor Chandra Prasad opens up this dialogue, bringing together eighteen stories by both new and noted writers about the experience of coming from a multiracial background.

Contributors, including Danzy Senna, Cristina Garcia and Ruth Ozeki – all of whom come from blended families – give voice to the multiple identities of a rising generation. In "My Elizabeth" by Diana Abu-Jaber, a young Palestinian girl moves to live with her aunt on an American Indian reservation, where she meets Elizabeth. Although the girls are from different cultural backgrounds, they share a sense of displacement that bonds them together in a profound, sometimes painful, friendship. In Neela Vaswani's "Bing-Chen," a young man of Chinese and Anglo-Saxon descent goes from a simple haircut to reevaluating his sense of identity.

In "Minotaur," Peter Ho Davies's uses a more fantastical metaphor to express his feelings on the multiracial experience: he gets inside the head of a modern minotaur, half-man, half-bull and very much a teen, confined to a labyrinth of impossible decisions. The protagonist of Lucinda Roy's "Effigies" is a powerful African-American academic whose world is shaken and sense of self is all but destroyed when his white, Irish mother comes back into his life, a ghost from his past leaving him with unsettling questions and doubts about his roots. The selections in **MIXED** are followed by notes from the authors, giving insights into how they came to write their stories.

The fiction in **MIXED** is fresh, engaging, vital, and above all exciting. It miraculously performs a seemingly impossible feat: imparting a sense of unity and togetherness while confronting the tumultuous cultural territory of multiplicity.

Chandra Prasad, a graduate of Yale University, is a freelance writer and editor living in Connecticut. The author of *Outwitting the Job Market*, she has written extensively on diversity and the workplace. Her first novel will be published by Atria, an imprint of Simon & Schuster, in 2007. Contact: Elizabeth Riley-212.790.9452 ; eriley@wvmorton.com

AMEA does not promote or represent any of the parties presented here. We showcase various submissions we receive, for the community to review at their own leisure. Please let us know what you think about these recent projects!

New Documentary-in-Progress

First-time filmmaker explores unconventional multiracial identities, family ties, and geographic connections of American women and men in new documentary-in-progress.

(Washington, DC) August 16, 2006—"mergence" (working title), a new documentary-in-progress, explores unconventional multiracial identities, family ties, and geographic connections through the personal experiences of American women and men.

"Over the years, I witnessed a wide range of projects reflecting individuals; social networks and political groups representing specific communities~ all working to capture and translate multiracial experiences to the broader public," says J. Tomiko Anders, director and producer of *mergence*. "This film explores the life experiences of multiracial people to ask how and why we come to identify ourselves in the way we do."

Drawing upon over 30 hours of interview footage and a decade of research, *mergence* features personal narratives from 15 people ages 20 to 40 ~ raised in the South, Appalachia, Mid Atlantic, rural Northeast, urban Midwest, and West Coast United States; as well as the United Kingdom, Tunisia, Iran, and India. Participants identify at least two or more identities among Black, White, Asian, German, Jewish, Chinese, Korean, Guamanian, Irish, Scotch, Native American/American Indian, and Arab.

"As a multiracial woman who grew up in the US and abroad, I'm often asked 'what are you?' in a town where the first question is usually 'what do you do?'" notes first-time filmmaker Anders, a cultural anthropologist by background, living in the Washington, DC area. "I sought to discover what other multiracial women and men in my age group have done with the freedom and challenges that come from building an identity in a society that uses monoracial categories as a primary marker of identity."

Material gathered for *mergence* figures prominently in the upcoming multimedia play *FUSE PERFORMANCE*, a collaborative exploration of biracial identity in the post-Civil Rights era U.S., making its debut the international San Francisco Fringe Festival in September 2006. In advance of final production work towards a feature-length release and future multimedia art exhibitions, additional non-interview footage is being shot while additional editing, post

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Illinois. While we plan to hold this national event in Chicago, there will still be localized events across the nation for those who cannot make it to the city. However, we are hoping that with enough planning ahead, the event will be too irresistible to turn down!

At this time, an official title has not been created, and any suggestions in the meantime are welcome. We want to ensure that this is an event that reaches out to all people, regardless of age, self-identity, occupation, religion, class, orientation, etc. We predict that this will not be like any event you have ever attended before. We plan to not only incorporate panels and presentations by scholars/academics, for example, but non-stop excitement and activities for all to enjoy. At this time, details are being worked out regarding a possible cruise, talent-fashion show, and so forth. Stay tuned!

If you are interested in becoming a speaker or presenter, the "call for proposal" and "call for art/artists" will be disseminated in September. If you have ideas for panels or presentations, please let us know. In addition, we are hoping to secure many entertainers, celebrities, and keynote speakers for this event. Please let us know who would be a great addition to our lineup and we will work diligently to get in touch with them.

Please refer to the calendars on pages 12-13 for the committee meetings that are planned in the month of August. Anyone who would like to volunteer should inform Jungmiwha Bullock as soon as possible (jbullock@ameasite.org). We will have more details to announce in the next newsletter, so be on the look out for more fabulous updates! And don't forget to mark your calendars today!!!

FROM PAGE 8 ("New Documentary-in-Progress")

production, and graphic design support is sought.

On Friday August 18, 2006, an invitation-only "rough cut" of *mergence* ~ featuring selected clips of each interview participant ~ will allow guests, including the participants in attendance themselves, to provide advice and feedback on a version that has not been completely edited.

For more information visit:
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DO YOU HAVE

SOMETHING YOU WOULD

LIKE TO SHARE FOR THE

NEXT EDITION? SEND IT

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FROM PAGE 5 ("Status of Mixed Heritage in Canada: II—Anti-Racism Conference")

experience "defending" [African/black heritage] to "[non-blacks]" and, oddly I found myself in that situation at another education workers' conference a month later~ defending "[black]" men to an Afro-Canadian woman in an interracial marriage who seemed [startled and dismayed] by my identification with my Cherokee/Seminole-Muskogee/Blackfeet heritage. I have also found myself defending Indigenous American/"red heritage" to "[non-reds]".

The woman who appeared so [shaken] by my Mestiza/ Metis heritage, still appreciated my supporting her desire to not be compared by one of her "[white]" colleagues with actor Whoopi Goldberg. Interestingly, she thought there was no difference between her seven-drops link with a stereotype and my seven-drops of difference from the stereotype she wanted to mis-apply to me (largely for her own "[personal comfort]" level, by her own admission). "7" is an important [amount] to some North American aboriginal communities.

Other colleagues, many with good intentions, also showed they have no idea what the world's brown-hybrid peoples look like. As one of Elliott Lewis's "*amazon-online*" reviewers indicated~ "[the world wants us to just 'fade' into oblivion!]" or to dissociate with one-half to three-quarters of our actual heritages.

It is one basis for my emphatic agreement with Sara Ferry's statements in her article ~"Multiracial Children : Advice for School Staff" in the same AMEA Newsletter issue: ~

(a) Children faced with "mislabeling and prejudice in the schools by their peers and possibly even school staff" [more often than not, in my opinion] are more vulnerable to ongoing psycho/sociological alienation/ and other [interaction] or personality disorders, that can include *acting out extreme hostility* towards individuals or groups representing [or not] any part of their heritage;

(b) Assuming that a child of Caucasian/African-American or Oriental-Asian/ Indigenous Canadian heritage [primarily] is African-American or Indigenous Canadian takes away from the child's entire identity and [often does, in my opinion] "inflict psychological harm on the child".

The singular difficulty is that *monoracially-identified*, hybrid-brown, ethnicities *often demand* the sacrifice of one heritage over another. Some mixed-race people, individually or "*por familia*", spontaneously identify with more of one heritage than another. A reason why, as a non-status Mestiza/Creole, I lapsed my 11-year membership in the *Canadian Native Friendship Centre*, and opted instead for a *National American Metis Association* (no frills or "legal" benefits) membership. *Conclusion* : Part III - planned for the next AMEA Bi-monthly Newsletter issue.

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DON'T FORGET TO SEND

IN YOUR RESPONSES TO

THIS EDITION'S THOUGHT

PROVOKING QUESTIONS!

SEE PAGE 2

For almost 20 years, AMEA has continued to advocate on behalf of our infinitely diverse community. Now that we are transitioning and revitalizing our organization, we will do everything in our power to keep everyone more informed and knowledgeable about a range of topics. We offer direct advocacy to all of our members.

Census Advocacy

One of the premiere strengths of the Association of Multi-Ethnic Americans has been its dedication to advocating on behalf of the freedom to choose how one wishes to identify in society. For almost two decades, AMEA has been on the front-lines of this cause, helping to lead the way for future initiatives, such as the recent CA Senate Bill 1615 (See pages 18-19). In 2005, AMEA received confirmation that our seat was renewed on the Census Advisory Committee on behalf of the multiracial community.

Ramona Douglass has served as AMEA's *Census Advisory Committee Representative* since the very beginning in the early 90s, and she continues to represent on all of our behalves in Washington D.C. She does this on top of working full-time in the corporate world (among other commitments) to insure that each and every one of us are not overlooked in policy by those who may or may not understand the importance of identifying with multiple heritages if we should so choose.

It is noteworthy to also mention that Ms. Douglass is not paid to serve in this capacity, but she continues to do so out of her deep commitment and passion towards unconditionally championing for the rights of each and every one of us.

In order to advocate fully the community's needs, please bring any related issues or correspondence to our attention as soon as possible.

"CENSUS" -

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"MEDIA" -

jbullock@ameasite.org

Media Advocacy

Have you ever watched a television program where you believed "multiracial/ethnic" individuals, relationships, or families were being misrepresented, however you felt unsure how you could actually change it? Are you a "mixed race" performer who may, for example, be conflicted between finding it beneficial to be able to play characters of different ethnic backgrounds, while at the same time find it disheartening to never be able to just play yourself, a "mixed

race" part that hardly exist? Or, are you a writer, producer, or director who has found it difficult to pitch work that falls outside the rubric "monoracial" storylines?

In 2004, AMEA became an official member of the **Media Image Coalition (MIC)** through the Los Angeles Commission on Human Relations (www.lahumanrelations.org) currently hosted at CBS studios. The mission of the MIC is to work with other national advocacy organizations to address stereotypes and misrepresentations of underrepresented groups in the media. The organizations that form this coalition work together with producers,

writers, directors, thespians and civil rights activists to deal with issues of representation in order to change what gets produced.

Jungmiwha Bullock has served as AMEA's *MIC Representative* since we joined the coalition, and in 2004, she was also elected onto the executive board of the MIC. She attends monthly meetings at CBS and helps to organize events in the industry. Bring positive/negative media issues to her attention.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, September 12, 2006

PUBLIC RELATIONS ANNOUNCEMENTS

♦ Friday, August 25 (taping)

Jungmiwha Bullock will be interviewed by journalist, Tony Valdez, and host of Fox 11's Midday Sunday news show. Through the auspices of the L.A. County Commission, she was asked to be interviewed about AMEA's latest developments and projects, as well as, issues in diversity and the media.

♦ Sunday, September 10

AMEA will be making its presence at the Los Angeles County Fair with other national advocacy organizations.

LET US KNOW WHAT OTHER ARENAS

WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO ADVOCATE OR

JOIN. SEND SUGGESTIONS TO:

AMEAORG@AOL.COM

CA Research Study Needs Participants

My name is Romana A. Norton and I am a doctoral candidate at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. I am conducting a dissertation study on the social support of individuals with Black and White racial ancestry. I live in Davis, CA and I am recruiting participants for this study from the Northern California region. I am recruiting people with Black and White racial ancestry, between the ages of 18 and 30 years of age who would like to share their experiences of social support for racial (including multiracial) prejudice. This research is not primarily focused on how people with Black and White racial ancestry identify racially. Unlike much of the past research on mixed-race people, the study privileges the perspectives of mixed-race people. It is a great opportunity to contribute to a new wave of research on multiracial people.

If you decide to participate, you will be asked to complete an interview with the primary researcher. I will meet you at a place that is convenient and comfortable for you. The interview will take up to 90 minutes (or less for most people), but no more than 90 minutes. The interview will cover topics like: your experiences with monoracial and multiracial prejudice, your support experiences for these incidents, your feelings about these different experiences, etc. You will also be asked to complete a brief demographic questionnaire. Your participation will be confidential. If you are interested in participating please contact Romana A. Norton at ranorton@wisc.edu or (530)792-1708.

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AUGUST 2006

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 iPride Playgroup (Berkeley, CA)
13 iPride Board Meeting and Appreciation Lunch (CA)	14 AMEA Board Conference Call	15 Loving Day "Activities/Events" Committee Mtg MEP Peer-to-Peer Training Completed	16	17	18 MEP Diversity Training in Sacramento School District	19
20	21 Swirl Bookclub Meeting (CA)	22	23	24 Loving Day "Speakers/Workshops" Committee Mtg	25 Fox Television Taping featuring AMEA	26
27 Loving Day "Public Relations/Mktg" Committee Mtg	28 Loving Day "Education/Outreach" Mtg	29 Swirl Discussion Series Meeting 7-9 in Sacramento, CA	30	31 MEP Diversity Training for "Step 1" Nursery School		

**TO GET YOUR INFORMATION OR THE DATE OF AN EVENT IN THE NEWSLETTER,
CONTACT US NO LATER THAN 2 WEEKS IN ADVANCE OF THE NEXT PUBLICATION.**

PLEASE NOTE: NEWSLETTER PRIORITY GIVEN TO MEMBERS FIRST.

SEPTEMBER 2006

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
					MEP "Power to the Peaceful" event (Golden Gate Park)	iPride Playgroup (Berkeley, CA)
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iPride Board Mtg (CA) MASC Mtg (CA)	AMEA Board Conference Call	Media Image Coali- tion Mtg @ APALC		Loving Day "Activities/Events" Committee Mtg		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
AMEA President's Birthday =)						
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
						POME Event (NY) (see page 7) Kim Williams Book Release (Oakland)

Contributions to the AMEA Newsletter

We are interested in the latest news and updates occurring domestically and internationally as it pertains to the diversity of the communities we serve. If you have something you would like to contribute, please send to AMEAorg@aol.com. Indicate the type of submission in the subject line (ex: Newsletter Article, Book Release, etc.). Due to spatial limitations and help, we serve the right to edit and choose the stories we include. We will send you a confirmation.

ARTICLES

Send summaries of events, opinion pieces, and stories you would like to contribute. If it is about your organization, please include a description of your organization or its' mission.

PHOTOS (preferably in .jpeg format)

When you send photos, please indicate the photographer and the people in the photo(s) if applicable, or a description of the photo(s).

DATES of EVENTS

If you are holding an event, please send the date, time, location and costs of your event. We also accept Birthday Announcements!

CONTACT INFORMATION

Always include your full name, your title, and contact information for members to follow-up.

BOOK RELEASES

We welcome new book releases, reviews, or recommendations of books you have read, produced, edited, or wrote.

STUDIES

If you are conducting a study, we MAY be able to help post your requests. However, we do screen the types of studies that people send to us all the time to ensure that your study does not adversely affect anyone in the community. Please send a description of your study first.

Why Join AMEA? What Do You Get With AMEA Membership?

In order to sustain AMEA's advocacy and meet the needs of the community, including supporting our affiliate organizations with programming across the nation, raising money for our scholarship and internship programs, and maintaining the MHC (just to name a few), we really encourage you to apply for membership today. It is our hope to be around for you, your family, your children, your children's children, and so forth for decades to come. Without membership, AMEA and other organizations with similar missions will cease to exist. Help be a part of growing our organization. Thank you in advance.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS	DESCRIPTION
Bi-Monthly Newsletter	Be the first to get the latest news on the MR/ME/TRA community, including much of the ongoing news covered in this issue and more! Members also have the advantage of sending in stories in advance to be published with a personal byline.
Media Representation	All members will be able to voice their concerns to our AMEA media representative who will in turn advocate face to face with key industry leaders, such as producers, directors, and writers, in order to incite change.
Representation in Washington DC	As a member of AMEA, you have representation in Census activities and related issues that impact policy. Aside from AMEA, no other related organization provides this at this time.
Speaker's Bureau	Our officers and board members can be utilized as consultants or speakers at different functions and engagements that you organize. Each of us brings different expertise from our professions (i.e., education, media, law, politics, etc.).
AMEA Email Listserv	Network and stay connected with the many individuals, families, organizations, allies, and companies that serve this unique community more frequently.
Invitation to All Events	All members will be invited to attend all events that AMEA and its' affiliates organize, including an invitation to the next national <i>Loving v State of Virginia</i> conference that we are now planning.
Access to the Mixed Heritage Center (MHC)	When the MHC is officially up and running, our members, along with MAVIN Foundation's customers, will be the first to have access to the center's resources.
Free Promotion and National Publicity	Members have the opportunity to be showcased in relevant AMEA literature, such as the newsletter. If you have a book or product that is coming out, let us know, and we will try to help advertise for you nationally. Member organizations also receive national publicity with a link on our website that currently receives many hits per day. Individuals and families can send announcements or birthday wishes to be included in our newsletter, and more!
Discounts	When new products come out on the market that target members of the community we serve, we will attempt to work out different promotions, from educational resources to hair products! In addition, many invitations will also include member discounts to attend functions.
Cultural Competent Resources	For many parents, finding adequate resources that are culturally competent in raising your child/ren are crucial. As a member, we can assist you in your search by supplying you and your family with up-to-date global resources.
Guidance on Developing Your Member Organizations	Many organizations seek to move from "casual" to "official" status. We can work with your group to become not only socially involved with multiracial/ethnic issues, but also, to become more actively involved through AMEA.
Press Releases and Immediate Updates	Often times, we are among the first organizations to be informed of issues regarding our diverse community. Our members will be the first to know when we receive information on compliance and ethnomedical issues that are of concern.
And more!	We are always thinking of creative ways to inform and mobilize all people, regardless of multiracial and multiethnic status. We are a forum where people can feel comfortable and safe in a nonjudgmental environment. Our benefits lists will continue to grow as our membership flourishes. Thank you for your support!



Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of AMEA. With your membership you will be entitled to several immeasurable benefits that we hope you will find useful in the years to come. Membership is good for one full year from the date your application is processed and confirmed.

DIRECTIONS

1. Please fill out the membership application completely and clearly.
2. Use a separate application if you are applying for multiple memberships. For example, if you are interested in becoming an individual member, and also would like to purchase a membership for your group or organization, we ask that you fill out a separate application. You may mail them in the same envelope with one combined check or money order for your convenience.
3. Make your check or money order payable to “AMEA” and mail it with your application to:

AMEA
P.O. Box 29223
Los Angeles, CA 90029-0223

4. Once we receive your application and payment, we will send you a confirmation letter. However, if you do not hear back from us within a few weeks, please let us know since there may be many reasons for the delay (i.e., letter lost in the mail, etc.).

Thank you for your support in advance. We really look forward to working *with* you and *for* you!

BREAKDOWN OF MEMBERSHIP TYPES

We offer several types of membership. Please be sure to mark the correct membership on your application.

<i>Individual</i>	Memberships that are only for one person (including students and seniors)
<i>Family</i>	Memberships that are only for one family name. They cannot be transferred to other families. Family members are still encouraged to apply for individual membership.
<i>“Member”</i>	Organizations whose missions are to serve and work directly with the multiracial, multiethnic, and transracially adopted community. Member organizations (also known as “Affiliate Members” are designated by student groups, nonprofits, small businesses, and corporations.
<i>“Ally”</i>	Organizations whose missions are <i>not specific</i> to serving the multiracial, multiethnic, and transracially adopted community. These type of organizations (also known as “Affiliate Allies” wish to support the mission of AMEA and our affiliate member organizations as “allies.”

NOTE: If you would like to form a new AMEA Affiliate Member Organization, contact us for details!



AMEA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please print clearly

FULL NAME OF CONTACT PERSON

DATE

STREET ADDRESS

EMAIL ADDRESS

STREET ADDRESS

PHONE

CITY

STATE

ZIP

FAX

Occupation _____

"Racial" / "Ethnic" Heritages/Identities (Optional)

How did you hear about AMEA? _____

Select Membership Type

☐ Individual Membership \$15☐ Family Membership \$25

Students/Seniors \$10

Specify Family Name: _____

☐ "Affiliate Member" Organization☐ "Affiliate Ally" Organization

Student Group \$25

Student Group \$25

Non-Profit Organization \$50

Non-Profit Organization \$100

Small Business/Org \$100

Small Business/Org \$200

Corporate 1 (50-100 employees/members) \$500

Corporate 1 (50-100 employees/members) \$1000

Corporate 2 (101-250 employees/members) \$750

Corporate 2 (101-250 employees/members) \$1500

Corporate 3 (<250 employees/members) \$1000

Corporate 3 (<250 employees/members) \$2000

☐ **ALSO CHECK HERE** if you would be interested in the option of a "Lifetime Membership" if it became available

* Please note that the rates of dues are subject to change and we reserve the right to deny or remove membership (with full refund) to any groups or individuals whose intention is to exploit, harm, or adversely affect the community and mission that AMEA upholds.

Please fill out each section that applies to the membership(s) for which you are applying.
Please print clearly.

INDIVIDUAL (only if you are a student)

SCHOOL, COLLEGE or UNIVERSITY NAME

GRADE/YEAR

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD(S) of STUDY

Interested in AMEA's Internship Program?
(Circle) YES NO

MEMBER & ALLY ORGANIZATIONS

NAME OF ORGANIZATION or BUSINESS

YEAR ESTABLISHED

ADDRESS

~ # of MEMBERS/EMPLOYEES

ADDRESS

WEBSITE

CITY

STATE

ZIP

* Please attach: 1) Brief background of your organization/business, including how often you hold meetings/month; 2) Officer/Leadership Breakdown and Contact Information, if applicable; 3) Any other related literature that would tell us more about your organization/business and how it supports MR/ME/TRA issues; 4) State organization needs, if any.

FAMILY

FAMILY NAME

IN HOUSEHOLD

Interested in connecting with families in your area?

(CIRCLE) YES NO

* Please attach: 1) List of family members, ages, birthdates; 2) How would you describe your family? Feel free to be creative!

If Applicable, How Else Would You Like to Get Involved with AMEA?

☐ Volunteer Please specify: _____

☐ Intern ☐ Prospective Board Member ☐ Add me to the AMEA email listserv

☐ I would like to donate (a) service(s) (i.e., website construction, printing, supplies, office space, etc.).

Please specify types of service(s): _____

AMEA Directory of Contacts

Please be mindful that all members affiliated with AMEA are volunteers and have professional and personal lives outside of this organization. However, we will do everything in our power to respond to you in a timely manner because we care about you. Thank you for your understanding.

Officers and Board

To reach all members on the board, please send messages to our general email: AMEAorg@aol.com.

Officers may be available for speaking engagements with enough advance notice.

Each officer and board member is also responsible for coordinating an AMEA committee. Please send information relevant to their committees.

After becoming a member, if you would like to participate on a committee, please feel free contact the appropriate officer for more info.

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Committee: Social/Networking

Once more, we are now recruiting new members to the board. Please email us for an official AMEA board recruitment letter

The subject heading should read, "AMEA Board Applicant." We will be in touch shortly. Thank you for your interest.

Advisory Council and Other Contacts

To reach AMEA Advisory Council Members, please send messages to our general AMEA email address (AMEAorg@aol.com) and we will disseminate the information accordingly.

NOTE: Other Advisory Council Members still pending.

Nancy G. Brown
Reginald Daniel
Edwin Darden
Josef Liles
Maria Root
Sarah Ross
Thomas Wright

AMEA also advocates for the community and its' members through other vehicles, such as diversity in the media industry, census/governmental issues, and legislative/public policy initiatives.

The following members can be contacted directly in the event you have a concern or emergency that needs public attention. We will be more than willing to assist you.

DC Census Advisory Council

Ramona Douglass—rdouglass@ameasite.org

Media Image Coalition through the L.A. Commission on Human Relations

Jungmiwha Bullock—jbullock@ameasite.org

You may also send inquiries related to the joint AMEA/MAVIN Foundation *National Mixed Heritage Center* by visiting:

www.mixedheritagecenter.org

Affiliate Organizations

This list is not comprehensive since new member organizations are joining. Most of the following members have been member organizations for several years.

To reach all affiliate organizations, you may also send messages to our general AMEA email where we will distribute the messages to the head of each group.

Intercultural Pride (iPRIDE) Northern CA

Contact: Andrew Jolivet
Email: info@ipride.org
Website: www.ipride.org

Biracial Family Network (BFN) Illinois

Contact: Nereida Carroll
Email: president@bfnchicago.org
Website: www.bfnchicago.org

Multiracial Americans of Southern CA (MASC)

Contact: Jennifer Noble
Email: masc@mascsite.org
Website: www.mascsite.org

GIFT New Jersey

Contact: Lois and Pete Donegan
Email: info@njgift.org

HONEY Inc.

Eugene, Oregon
Contact: Sarah Ross
Email: eugenehoney@aol.com

OCMA Portland, Oregon

Contact: Thomas Wright
Email: areinst@aol.com
Website: ocma-multiracial.org

MOHXCA Edmonton AB Canada

Contact: TheosoD'Rejean
Email: skydogs@295.ca

IFC Washington D.C.

Contact: Nancy McFall Jean
Email: nancymcfalljean@earthlink.net

Website: www.interracialfamilycircle.org

MEP Berkeley, CA

Contact: Asmara Peluassy
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Website: www.multiethniceducation.org

The Topaz Club (national/international)

Contact: Arana Fossett
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People of Multiple Ethnicities (POME—NYC)

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