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## **FALL NEWSLETTER**

**OCTOBER 2017**

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### **President's Message**

It is my great honor to serve as your President for 2017-2018. I am especially eager to work with everyone and to move our association forward toward fulfilling our Strategic Goals. This year I hope to encourage, engage, and empower our members to get involved and participate in national events as well as local ones. By networking with other colleagues, we can build a strong coalition dedicated to our association's mission to cultivate Asian Pacific American leadership through mentorship and professional engagement, advancing social justice, and providing opportunities for dialogue and networking to promote the needs of APA library professionals and those who serve APA communities through libraries. ...



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## Smithsonian Asian American Literature Festival

The inaugural Asian American Literature Festival ran from July 27-29, 2017 in Washington, D.C. at the Smithsonian, the Library of Congress, The Phillips Collection and DuPont Underground. The festival featured over 80 Asian American writers...

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## Author Interview with Paisley Rekdal

Paisley Rekdal is a professor of English at the University of Utah and the current Poet Laureate of the state of Utah. Her new book, "The Broken Country," published Sept. 15, 2017. ...

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## The Paradox of America and the American Dream

## Announcements + News

**Kathleen Kim Bell** received one of three travel awards to attend the 12th International Conference on Performance Measurement in Libraries, which was held in Oxford, England, from July 31-August 2.

**APALA Northeast** is getting together for a visit and tour of the Elmhurst Public Library in Queens on Saturday, October 21, 2017 at noon.

**Dawn K. Wing** is excited to announce that her comic "The Visit" will be a part of a curated group exhibition called "Sick! Reclaiming Illness Through Comics" in Berlin, Germany. This will be Dawn's first time contributing to an international comics exhibition.

**Highline College Library** in the Greater Seattle Area is honored to partner with the Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Washington to host the traveling exhibit, *Unsettled/Resettled: Seattle's Hunt Hotel*, this fall.

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On May 27, 2017, the San Francisco Public Library hosted an encore community screening of the documentary, "The Chinese Exclusion Act." Scheduled for an afternoon showing, people came from the peninsula and south and east bay counties, lining up several hours in eager anticipation...

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## Book Reviews

- "See You In the Cosmos" by Jack Cheng
  - "The Gauntlet" by Karuna Riazi
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