

# FILIPINO AMERICAN *History Month*

Filipino American History Month is observed in October every year to mark the anniversary of the first recorded evidence of Filipinos in America which occurred on October 18, 1587. Filipino Americans are the second-largest Asian-American community in the U.S., and are the third-largest racial group in California. Their contributions to our country are exemplary and their achievements are recognized and celebrated throughout this designated month.

Following years of campaigning and advocacy by both the civil society and organizations, the Filipino American National Historical Society established Filipino American History Month in 1992. In 2009, Congress recognized the month of October officially as Filipino American History Month in the U.S.



## Did You Know?

### **1. The second-largest group in the U.S.**

Filipino-Americans make up a large part of the Asian-American population in the United States.

### **2. The largest Asian-American group in some states**

Out of 50 states, Filipino-Americans are the largest group in 11 of them.

### **3. Many of our favorite celebrities are Filipino-Americans**

Many Hollywood celebrities are Filipino-Americans, including Nicole Scherzinger and Vanessa Hudgens.

### **4. Many have served in World War II**

A quarter of a million Filipino-Americans are veterans of World War II.

**Learn more by visiting any of these websites:**

<http://fanhs-national.org/filam/about/>

<https://www.first5la.org/article/celebrating-filipino-american-history-month-2022/>

<https://nationaltoday.com/filipino-american-history-month/>

## Local celebrations this week

**Thursday, October 6th** Filipino Food Fiesta at the Avenue

8230 Civic Center Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95757

Buffet-style, All You Can Eat (for an hour) Hourly seating's start at 4 PM and door closes at 8 PM. No reservations required, but limited seating.

**Friday, October 7th** MAGKAISA (which means unite)

4 PM-9 PM Laguna Town Hall 3020 Renwick Ave, Elk Grove, CA 95758

Event will feature workshops, entertainment and a night market.

\*for more information & to register: [tinyurl.com/Magkaisa2022](http://tinyurl.com/Magkaisa2022)

**Saturday, October 8th** Savvy House Coffee Bar

10 AM-3 PM 9630 Bruceville Rd. Ste 104, Elk Grove, CA 95757

Celebrate with drink specials, Hella-Halo Sacramento food truck, vendors, performances, wine tasting and education.

**Saturday, October 29th**

"CALIFORNIA IS IN THE HEART" EXHIBIT GRAND OPENING

1020 O St. Sacramento, CA 95814

1 PM - 5 PM The California Museum will host an opening event for this all-new exhibit exploring the critical role Filipino Americans have played in our state's history.

