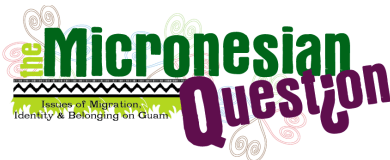


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Guam Humanities Council presents FILM AND DISCUSSION SERIES as part of “*The Micronesian Question*” Project

The migration of Micronesians to Guam over the past twenty years has presented a number of perceived challenges to the larger Guam community that have focused on such complex, and oftentimes contested issues as adaptation, discrimination and identity.

Through the multifaceted project, “*The Micronesian Question: Issues of Migration, Identity and Belonging on Guam*,” the Council examines the many issues surrounding the migration of islanders from other parts of Micronesia to Guam. The lives and experiences of Micronesians in their new island “home” are also explored.

Completed project components include the *In-Sights* exhibit by Micronesian Youth, which toured to the Agana Shopping Center, Micronesian Mall and the five public high schools, a Youth Empowerment Workshop, the Motherhead® family literacy program, and a reading and discussion series with Micronesian scholars and writers Dr. Teresia Teaiwa and Emelihter Kihleng.

A final project component is the **film and discussion series**, in which the Council will screen seven films that focus on diverse issues of racism, education, healthcare, as well as tell stories that reflect experiences of Micronesian and other Pacific Islander immigrants. Each film presentation will be followed by a facilitated discussion with panelists from local Micronesian communities.

The series begins on **January 12** and will continue through **February 16, 2012** at different venues throughout the island.

The series schedule is as follows:

Papa Mau the Wayfinder (2010 Paliku Documentary Films)
Thursday, January 12, 6PM at the Tamuning Senior Center

Micronesians Abroad (2009 Micronesian Seminar)
Thursday, January 19, 6PM at the Mangilao Senior Center

Race is the Place (2005 Paradigm Productions)
Thursday, January 26, 6PM at the Dededo Senior Center

Laninbwil's Gift (2011 Microwave Films)
Thursday, February 2, 6PM at the Guam Community College Multi-Purpose Room

Morning Comes So Soon (2008 Small Island Films)
Thursday, February 9, 6PM at the University of Guam (specific location TBD)

Children of the Migration (2004 Island Productions) and
O Tamaiti (2008 Paewai Productions)
Thursday, February 16, 6PM at the University of Guam (specific location TBD)

The presentation of “*The Micronesian Question*” is made possible through a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, *We the People Initiative*.

The Guam Humanities Council is a non-profit organization that provides foundational support and educational programs for the people of Guam. The mission of the Guam Humanities Council is to foster community engagement and dialogue, inspire critical thinking, celebrate diversity and enrich the quality of life of island residents through the power of the humanities.

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