

Between Council Actions

On March 3, 2021, Council unanimously approved registration rates for the virtual 2021 Annual Meeting as follows. All members voted.

- Members: \$25/\$40 (late)
- Nonmembers: \$40/\$55 (late)
- Students: free

On March 25, 2021, Council unanimously approved the MAC Antiracism Statement in Support of the AAPI Community. All members voted.

“The Midwest Archives Conference stands in solidarity with the Asian American Pacific Islander community within MAC, the Midwest, and the nation. Over the past year, the United States has experienced a dramatic rise in discrimination, hate crimes, and violence against those of Asian descent, including the heartbreaking murders of eight individuals—six of whom were Asian women—by a white male domestic terrorist that took place in Atlanta on March 16, 2021.

“These acts illustrate why we must dismantle white supremacy in our country and push past reactionary nationalism. Asian culture is not an amusement. Coronavirus is not the ‘Chinese flu.’ Asian women are not a fetish.

“Archives can be a force for opening dialogues around the history of such racism and misogyny. Archives can spotlight the damaging effects of hate, bias, erasure, and violence to society. Archives can battle systemic racism and xenophobia by providing context for predominantly white institutions in US society.

“Stop Asian hate now. Check your privilege. Offer your support. Be a resource. Serve your community in an ethical and compassionate manner.

“Here is a select list of national and local resources for AAPI folks and for others to support the AAPI community:

- 68 Ways to Donate in Support of Asian Communities (<https://nymag.com/strategist/article/where-to-donate-to-help-asian-communities-2021.html>) from *New York Magazine*
- up//root: Letter to Asian Diasporic Library Workers (<https://www.uproot.space/features/letter-to-asian-diasporic-library-workers>)
- Hollaback! (<https://www.ihollaback.org>) has partnered with Asian Americans Advancing Justice | AAJC (<https://www.advancingjustice-aajc.org>) to provide free bystander intervention training as well as offering de-escalation training
- Documenting the Now (<https://www.docnow.io>)
- Documenting in Times of Crisis: A Resource Kit (<https://www2.archivists.org/advocacy/documenting-in-times-of-crisis-a-resource-kit>) produced by the Society of American Archivists Tragedy Response Initiative Task Force”

On April 15, 2021, MAC Council unanimously approved the Madison Concourse Hotel contract for the 2022 Spring Annual Meeting. All members voted.