Case Western Reserve University - Asian, Pacific Islander, Desi & Asian American Heritage Month, May 2021

Documentary: Vincent Who?

As part of APIA Heritage Month, we encourage departments, student organizations, and other small groups of staff, faculty, and students to take some time to watch the documentary Vincent, Who? and discuss it together. If you would like further resources or support, please feel free to reach out:

Office of Multicultural Affairs - theoma@case.edu || Center for International Affairs - global@case.edu

Visit: www.kanopy.com/product/vincent-who-1
Search for Case Western Reserve (Kelvin Smith Library), login using Single Sign On

Viewing time: 40 minutes

Discussion questions

Before the film - Prior to watching the film, we ask you to reflect on the following questions.

Have you ever heard of Vincent Chin? What, if anything, have you heard about him?

Do you know of any historical events in which Asians in the United States had their civil rights infringed upon? If so, please list them here.

Do you know of any Asian civil rights leaders? If so, please list them here.

During the film:

How did you feel when you learned what the punishment was for Vincent Chin’s murders?

What stood out to you, if anything, about the community’s response to Vincent Chin’s death?

What stood out to you, if anything, about Vincent Chin’s mother’s response to his death?

Why do you think Vincent Chin’s death brought together the Asian American community in ways nothing else had?

How did Vincent Chin’s death advance civil rights causes in the United States?
Why have Asian Americans often been left out of discussions on race and civil rights in the United States? What could be the consequences of their exclusion from these discussions?

What is Vincent Chin’s lasting legacy?

There are many parallels between the violence and racism imposed upon Vincent Chin and that being experienced by the Asian/AAPI community currently. What parallels do you notice?

What does the lack of justice for Vincent Chin’s murder signify?

Do you think it is important to know about historical events like the death of Vincent Chin? Why or why not?

What connections do you have to the Asian community in Greater Cleveland? How would you like to better support this community?

If you would like to learn more about Cleveland’s Asian communities, volunteer, or support Asian-owned businesses, visit:

Asian Services In Action (ASIA, Inc) - www.asiaohio.org/
AsiaTown Cleveland - www.asiatowncleveland.org/
Cleveland Asian Festival - clevelandasianfestival.org/
ClevelandPeople.com - www.clevelandpeople.com/groups/asian/asian.htm
MotivAsians for Cleveland - motivasians.org/
Night Market Cleveland - nightmarketcle.com/
OCA Greater Cleveland - ocagc.org/

Directory of Asian-owned businesses in greater Cleveland: ocagc.org/directory/

There are also many other resources and organizations throughout Cleveland! So many we could not list them all here!