

PRESS ADVISORY

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The Smithsonian Asian Pacific American Program announces

VIETNAMESE AMERICAN EXHIBIT TO OPEN IN 2006

On Tuesday, January 25, 2005, the Smithsonian Asian Pacific American Program will announce details of the first-ever Vietnamese American history and culture exhibit at the Smithsonian Institution, which will open to the public in 2006. The announcement marks the beginning of an ambitious project that hopes to include the first national traveling exhibition on the Vietnamese American community and its history, related public programming at the Smithsonian, as well as a middle school curriculum guide.

DATE: Tuesday, January 25, 2005

TIME: 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: The Library, Smithsonian Castle, 1000 Jefferson Drive, SW

METRO STATION: Smithsonian (Mall exit)

PARKING: Limited street parking is available on Independence Avenue; the nearest garage is L'Enfant Plaza, directly across Independence Avenue from the Smithsonian Castle.

Please RSVP to Marci Xiong of the APA Program office at 202.786.2409 or at <u>xiongm@si.edu</u> by January 21, 2005. Please provide your name and affiliation.

Press packets will be available at the event. Those who cannot attend may request a packet after January 25 by contacting the APA Program office.