

Message from President

Hope that everyone had a festive winter in 2023!

The Year of the Rabbit brought us many great opportunities and made many new connections,. We were thrilled to be able to gather at in-person events again. Our Class of 2024 continue to thrive and receive great news from all the colleges. Please enjoy the highlights below.

On behalf of the team and the board of directors, we wish you a Happy and Prosperous Year of the Dragon.

CANership Accomplishment

We would like to highlight the accomplishments from this quarter of the class of 2024 CANership mentees!

In the class of 2024, we have hosted 6 mentees and 3 outside application review requests. All applications have been submitted by now and we are very proud of how hard all of our mentees have worked this past semester.

The dynamic team of mentors led by Jiin Wen and Aimee Ren worked hard to get the students ready for the college applications.

Here are some facts and highlights about our mentees:

- The CANership mentees span 3 boroughs of NYC, and attend 5 different high schools.
- The average number of submitted applications was 12 colleges, and as of 1/20 all mentees have at received least two offers.
- Joey Chen was accepted to Boston University during the Early Decision round, and has committed to attending Fall 2024. We are all very proud of her and wish her the best of luck on her next journey!

BHRAGS Awarded CAN International \$35K in Grant

BHRAGS awarded CAN International \$35,000 to aid our efforts with the first-generation community. This funding will facilitate program expansion and assistance for individuals striving to realize their full potential.

The board members of CAN International expressed their gratitude to BHRAGS's CEO, Mr. Roberto Samedy and Director of Business Development, Mr. Simon Liao by presenting them with a Certificate of Appreciation.

Simon Liao was our advocate and guided us through the grant application process. Thank you, Simon.



[From left] Christy Lang, Roberto Samedy, Simon Liao, Jinquang Liang









Event Highlights



In the past guarter, some notable events included the CANership Onboarding Meeting on August 6, 2023, and a Happy Hour on November 3, 2023. These events were well-attended, drawing in many individuals enthusiastic about CAN's mission. The Happy Hour served as a networking opportunity for professionals to connect, share their current work situations, and build relationships. It provided a platform to reflect on past achievements and discuss future plans.

Looking ahead to 2024, we aim to host similar events to further strengthen our connections with the community and sponsors.

Participating in Project by Project's annual fundraiser, Plate by Plate was a fantastic experience. The event aimed to inspire young leaders to support the Asian community. This event benefited the non-profit organization, Chinatown Youth Initiatives (CYI), which focuses on providing a safe and supportive space for underrepresented youth in NYC. CAN was thrilled to connect with an organization that resonates with our values and empowers the Asian community. We were able to connect and recruit mentors and generate enthusiasm for CAN's mission.



Upcoming Events

CANership is hosting a monthly in-person presentation for college and career readiness from February to July. Mark your calendars and sneak a peek at what's coming up. For more details, visit our website or follow our social media platforms.

- 2/25/24: Resume/Activities Seminar
- 3/17/24: Personal Statement Seminar
- 4/28/24: Resume Workshop
- 5/19/24: Get Ready for Senior Year in High School
- 6/23/24: College Search Seminar/Workshop
- 7/28/24: Common App Package Review Workshop

We are listening!

Want to become a mentor? A member? Nominate a mentee? Need a mentor? Got a fundraising idea? Want to host our next networking event?

Contact us: info@canint.org

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