

Lifting Up BUSD AAPI Voices



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Favorite Book: *It Began with a Page: How Gyo Fujikawa Drew the Way*

Favorite Food: Ramen

Favorite TV Show: *Star Trek Next Generation* and *Star Trek Discovery*

Ideal Dinner Guests: Yuri Kochiyama, Malcolm X, and RuPaul



"Cultural heritage is more than food and holidays, it is also knowing our personal, familial, and community histories and stories as much as we can. To me, it also means honoring my ancestors and making the world a better place for future generations to truly thrive and flourish.

Be proud of who you are because you are the living and breathing answer to your ancestors' prayers; you honor them by being yourself and loving who you are."

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