

Sam Sim Headlines Washington's First Ever Conservative Asian Candidates Forum



Bellevue, Washington Oct 13, 2024 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.IssueWire.com)) - Washington State's First-Ever Asian Political Candidates Forum Showcases Unity Across Communities

Washington State made history today, Saturday, at the **Stan Head Cultural Center** with its first-ever **Asian Political Candidates Forum**, highlighting unity and collaboration across diverse ethnic communities. This landmark event demonstrated that, regardless of ethnicity or background, communities across the state are united in their shared vision for the future.

Organized by **Sam Sim**, State Representative candidate for Legislative District 44, and **Lynn Trinh**, State Representative candidate for Legislative District 48, the forum was emceed by **Bill Cooper**, Snohomish County Republican Chairman. The event brought together a diverse group of candidates, all committed to serving their communities and working toward common goals.

Candidates in attendance included:

- **Sam Sim** (State Representative candidate for LD 44), representing the Korean community.
- **Lynn Trinh** (State Representative candidate for LD 48), representing the Chinese community.
- **Riaz Khan** (State Representative candidate for LD 21), representing the Muslim community in Puget Sound.
- **Sharon Hanek** (candidate for State Treasurer), of Japanese descent.
- **Deep Mangat** (LD 44 PCO Captain), representing the Indian and Punjabi community.

"This forum is not only significant for the Korean American community but for all ethnicities and Americans across Washington," said **Sam Sim**. "It represents the collective power of our diverse communities coming together to shape the future of our state. This event serves as a reminder that our strength lies in our unity and shared values, and together we can work to build a brighter future for all."

Lynn Trinh, candidate for State Representative LD 48, added, "This forum is about more than politics. It's about breaking barriers and building connections between communities. We're showing that, despite our different backgrounds, we are united in our commitment to making Washington a better place for everyone. Our shared experiences and values bring us closer, and it is through this unity that we can create real, lasting change."

The **Asian Candidates Group** emphasized that their efforts will extend far beyond the current election. Their goal is to **empower new political leadership, nurture the next generation of leaders**, and continue educating, informing, and providing representation for all communities. This ongoing work is focused on increasing awareness and ensuring that all voices are heard within the state's diverse communities.

The forum underscored the importance of cross-cultural collaboration, as the candidates discussed key issues such as education, public safety, and economic growth. Despite different cultural backgrounds, the gathering highlighted the candidates' unified commitment to improving the quality of life for all Washingtonians, emphasizing that diversity strengthens communities and fosters positive change.

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