

CFHR's 2011 Ally Award goes to Chinese American Lee Mun Wah

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The CFHR awarded Lee Mun Wah, an internationally renowned Chinese American documentary filmmaker, author, poet, Asian folk teller, educator, community therapist, and master diversity trainer. He was chosen as the 2011 Ally Award recipient because of his work and contribution to dialogue on race and the elimination of racial discrimination.

Mr. Wah is the Executive Director of Stirfry Seminars & Consulting and producer of the award winning documentaries such as "The Color of Fear," "Stolen Ground" and "Last Chance for Eden." Cherry Steinwender, who is the Founder and Co-Executive Director of The Center for the Healing of Racism, authored a book, "Bread is a Simple Food, Teaching Children about Cultures," which featured Sylvia Mayer's children, Zoe and Zach. This book was written to help children internalize the oneness of the human family and learn profound lessons about cultures with a simple tool--bread. The EMCEE was three-time Emmy winner, Ernie Manouse, from ErnieOnTV, whose charm, talent and humor made the event entertaining.



Left to right, Lee Ingram, Brenda Winfree, Germaine Carter, Lee Mun Wah, Cherry Steinwender, Ernie Manouse, and Mamie Gadson

We were entertained by Mark Alan Threadgill, who has been performing and writing country music since a young child in Odessa. He shared his story of being beaten and left for dead. He obviously recovered and is unstoppable. He delivered pure energy and emotion in each one of the songs he performed, some of which I would describe as "country blues."

If you want to learn more about Lee Mun Wah, Mark Alan Threadgill, The Center for Healing of Racism, Cherry Steinwender's book, and the United Way of Greater Houston, please visit their websites.

http://www.stirfryseminars.com/about/bios/bios_munwah.php

www.markalanthreadgill.net (also on YouTube and facebook)

<http://www.centerhealingracism.org/home0.aspx>

<http://ernieontv.com/default.aspx> (also on Twitter)

Board of Directors asks supporters, members for help

The Center's Board of Directors would greatly appreciate your time in addressing the following request:

We hope this year started positively for you. On behalf of the Center for the Healing of Racism, we would like to thank you for your support and goodwill over the years. In whatever capacity you have been engaged with the Center, it has been valuable to us.

This year, it is our express goal to build a more cohesive team between the organization's officers, staff, volunteers, and members. Through this initiative we hope to generate not only additional energy to carry out our mission, but expand our network and hence our circle of influence. We would like our presence established at a larger number of educational, community, and professional organizations.

New Mission statement:

To facilitate the healing of racism through education and dialogue in a safe and supportive environment, in

order to empower individuals and transform communities.

As part of our efforts, we would like to request you to answer the following questions:

1. Do you receive our newsletter and email alerts?
2. Have you attended any Center activities in the past couple of years?
3. Are you affiliated, as a member or volunteer, to any non-profit organization or other community or professional based organizations?
4. Would you be comfortable if CFHR were to present its work briefly at your workplace or any of these forums, on your recommendation? Or would you be comfortable suggesting any organizations that we could contact to present our work?

Help us to become the go-to organization in the city and the nation to take the message of healing racism to every corner of our city and nation. Thank you

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