

Newsletter

SPOTLIGHT ARTIST:

Kyle Xu

This holiday season, we caught up with artist Kyle Xu over some tea at his East Brunswick home.

Xu, a freshman in high school, is the artist behind the AAPI of EB bridge logo. With a swipe of his brush, Kyle masterfully captured the essence of our mission.

Q: How did you arrive at the bridge concept?

A: First, I thought about symbols of “welcoming.” This inspired me to design logos featuring the Lotus and River flowers. But I was nervous that those flowers may too strongly represent their countries of origin and not the wider AAPI group. That’s when I switched to symbols that emphasize connection, which led me to the bridge.

Q: Where do you find inspiration as an artist? Other artists or media?

A: Mostly current events and my mom’s photography. I listen to C-pop and K-pop, but I wouldn’t say they inspire my art.

Q: What are your goals for the coming years?

A: I plan to submit more pieces into competitions this year and in the long term, I plan to study architecture.



Through our initiatives and with the bridge as a constant reminder, we hope to continue forging those connections both within the AAPI community and beyond. Thank you, Kyle. We can’t wait to see what you do next!

UPCOMING EVENTS

2/3: LUNAR NEW YEAR

2/18: SELF DEFENSE CLINICS

6/8: KINNARA - AAPI FOOD
AND MUSIC FESTIVAL



Happy Holidays and Warmest Appreciation

We are incredibly grateful to everyone that has helped our mission and showed us support. Thank you for the generous donations, encouragement, your presence, and positive energy. We are stronger together and are excited for 2024!

