

GIDRA



April 10, 1990

Bill & Yuri Kochiyama
545 W. 126th Street
New York, NY 10027

Dear Bill & Yuri:

We're writing to you because we know you've been a supporter of GIDRA in the past, and you are interested in the issues, events and developments in the Asian and Pacific Islander communities. To get right to the point, we need you to make an immediate contribution of \$250, \$100, \$50, \$25 or \$10.

The 20th anniversary issue of GIDRA is at a critical juncture. Over the past few months, we've gotten over 100 articles, short stories, interviews, poetry and art from Asians and Pacific Islanders from across the country. Some are from "old timers" such as Alex Hing, Ester Soriano, May Chen, Warren Furutani, Eddie Wong and Donna Kotake. Others are from notable writers/artists such as Hisaye DeSoto Yamamoto, Charlie Chin, Amy Uyematsu, Philip Gotanda, Janice Mirikitani and Velina Houston. GIDRA will include photographs by Corky Lee, Herb Tuyay, Bob Nakamura and the Visual Communications archives. We'll have more illustrations from your favorite GIDRA artists . . . and much, much more!

The upcoming issue of GIDRA will also include articles from many new writers and activists from the diverse and dynamic Asian and Pacific Islander communities, including the experiences and recollections of recent immigrants from Korea, Vietnam and other countries. Many young writers who have no other place to express their thoughts and feelings will have a place in GIDRA.


We've been hard at work--editing, typing, drawing, desktop publishing, layout, etc.--and plan to be go to the printers in May, 1990. But before our dream of publishing another issue of GIDRA can become a reality, we need your financial support. Printing costs alone are expected to be \$7,500-\$9,000.

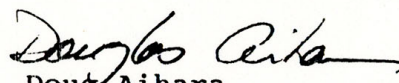
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Our fund raising team has already lined up commitments from several community groups to help us out, but we still must rely on our faithful supporters like you.

Please . . . get your checkbook out before you put this letter down. Give what you can . . . \$250, \$100, \$50, \$25 or \$10.

Sincerely,


Evelyn Yoshimura


Doug Aihara


Bruce Iwasaki


Mike Murase

P.S. We are counting on you!

P.P.S. If you can help out at night or on weekends, please call Evelyn at (213) 680-3729 or (213) 938-4557, or Mike at (213) 382-2357.