

ASIAN AMERICANS IN FILM

A Filmography Inspired by *Interior Chinatown* by Charles Yu*

Feature Films in the Emma Clark Movie Collection:

Better Luck Tomorrow (2002), directed by Justin Lin
Children of Invention (2009), directed by Tze Chun
Chinatown (1974), includes stereotyped depictions of Chinatown
Columbus (2017), directed by Kogonada, starring John Cho
Crazy Rich Asians (2018), based on the novel by Kevin Kwan, directed by Jon Chu
Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon (2000), directed by Ang Lee
Dim Sum: A Little Bit of Heart (1985), directed by Wayne Wang, starring Joan Chen and Victor Wong
Eat, Drink, Man, Woman (1994), directed by Ang Lee
Enter the Dragon (1973), starring Bruce Lee
The Farewell (2019), starring Awkwafina
Flower Drum Song (1961), by Rodgers & Hammerstein, starring Nancy Kwan
The Good Earth (1937), starring Louise Rainer (in yellowface) and about 75 Chinese-American actors
The Joy Luck Club (1993), based on Amy Tan's novel, directed by Wayne Wang
The Keys of the Kingdom (1944), featuring Benson Fong
The Last Emperor (1987), starring Joan Chen and Lisa Lu
Lucky Grandma (2019), starring Tsai Chin
Lust, Caution (2007), directed by Ang Lee
Mao's Last Dancer (2009), starring Joan Chen
The Mask of Fu Manchu (1932)
Minari (2020), directed by Lee Isaac Chung and starring Steven Yeun
Parasite (2019), an Academy Award-winning Korean film
Pushing Hands (1991), directed by Ang Lee
Saving Face (2004), starring Joan Chen
Searching (2018), starring John Cho
Snow Flower and the Secret Fan (2011), directed by Wayne Wang
A Thousand Years of Good Prayers (2007), directed by Wayne Wang
What's Cooking? (2000), starring Joan Chen
Year of the Dragon (1985), includes stereotyped depictions of Chinatown

TV Shows at Emma Clark:

Warrior (2019), based on the writings of Bruce Lee, produced by Justin Lin

Documentaries at Emma Clark:

DVD B KWAN *To Whom It May Concern: Ka Shen's Journey*, a biography of actress Nancy Kwan
DVD B LEE *I am Bruce Lee*, a biography of Bruce Lee
DVD B SOO *You Don't Know Jack: The Jack Soo Story*, a biography of actor Jack Soo
DVD B TAKEI *To Be Takei: A Star's Trek for Life, Liberty, and Love*, a biography of actor George Takei
NEW DVD 305.895 *ASIAN Asian Americans* by PBS
NEW DVD 796.22 *Minding the Gap*, directed by Bing Liu

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Advantageous (2015), directed by Jennifer Phang, starring Jacqueline Kim
Big Trouble in Little China (1986), starring James Hong and Dennis Dun
Bombs over Burma (1942), starring Anna May Wong
The Brides of Fu Manchu (1966), starring Tsai Chin and Christopher Lee (in yellowface)
Chan is Missing (1982), directed by Wayne Wang
Charlie Chan at the Olympics (1937) and dozens of other Charlie Chan films
China Cry (1990), starring James Shigeta
Chinese Box (1997), directed by Wayne Wang
Confessions of an Opium Eater (1962)
The Crimson Kimono (1959), starring James Shigeta
The Curse of Quon Gwon (1917), produced, directed, and written by Marion Wong. This is the first known film made by an Asian American.
Dim Sum Funeral (2008), featuring Lisa Lu
Dragon Seed (1944), starring Katharine Hepburn (in yellowface) and Turhan Bey
Eat a Bowl of Tea (1989), directed by Wayne Wang, starring Victor Wong
Finishing the Game (2007), directed by Justin Lin
Half-Life (2008), directed by Jennifer Phang
Impact (1949), featuring Anna May Wong
In Between Days (2006), directed by So Yong Kim
Journey from the Heart (1999), starring Tsai Chin
Lady from Chungking (1942), starring Anna May Wong
The Lost Empire (2001), screenplay by David Henry Hwang
Lotus Blossom (1921), produced, directed, and written by James B. Leong
M. Butterfly (1993), screenplay by David Henry Hwang
Paradise, Hawaiian Style (1966), featuring James Shigeta
Peter Pan (1924), a silent film featuring Anna May Wong
Phantom of Chinatown (1940), starring Keye Luke
Piccadilly (1929), a silent film featuring Anna May Wong
Portrait in Black (1960), featuring Anna May Wong
The Princess of Nebraska (2007), directed by Wayne Wang
Shanghai Express (1932), starring Anna May Wong
The Thief of Bagdad (1924), a silent film featuring Anna May Wong
Tiger Bay (1934), starring Anna May Wong
The World of Suzie Wong (1960), starring Nancy Kwon
The Yakuza (1974), featuring James Shigeta
Year of the Fish (2007), starring Tsai Chin
Way of the Dragon (1972), starring Bruce Lee

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Fresh Off the Boat (2015-2020), starring Randall Park, Constance Wu, and Hudson Wang

* Note: Some of these films include racist depictions, such as yellowface. This list is designed to provide an introduction to the history of Asian American representation in film. We encourage you to use our library resources learn more about this history. We highly recommend the book *Hollywood Chinese: The Chinese in American Feature Films* by Arthur E. Dong (NEW 791.43089 DONG).



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