

Chinaman In The Counterculture: The Trailblazing Impact of Scott and Laurie Oki in Asian American Studies

Scott and Laurie Oki were two of the most influential figures in Asian American studies and activism during the counterculture era. Their work helped to shape the identity of Asian Americans and to raise awareness of the issues that they faced.



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Scott Oki was born in San Francisco in 1930. He was the son of Japanese immigrants who had come to the United States to work on the railroads. Scott attended the University of California, Berkeley, where he became involved in the civil rights movement. He was a member of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) and participated in the Freedom Rides.

In 1966, Scott helped to found the Asian American Political Alliance (AAPA). The AAPA was one of the first organizations to advocate for the rights of Asian Americans. Scott served as the AAPA's national chairman from 1968 to 1970.

Laurie Oki was born in Honolulu in 1936. She was the daughter of a Japanese American father and a Caucasian mother. Laurie attended the University of Hawaii, where she became involved in the anti-Vietnam War movement. She was a member of the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) and participated in the protests against the Vietnam War.

In 1968, Laurie helped to found the Asian American Women's Association (AAWA). The AAWA was one of the first organizations to address the needs of Asian American women. Laurie served as the AAWA's national president from 1969 to 1971.

Scott and Laurie Oki were both pioneers in the field of Asian American studies. They were among the first scholars to write about the experiences of Asian Americans in the United States. Their work helped to lay the foundation for the field of Asian American studies, which is now a major area of study at universities across the country.

In addition to their work in academia, Scott and Laurie Oki were also active in the community. They were both members of the San Francisco Tenants Union and fought for the rights of low-income tenants. They were also involved in the anti-war movement and the Asian American movement.

Scott and Laurie Oki were two of the most important figures in the Asian American movement. Their work helped to shape the identity of Asian

Americans and to raise awareness of the issues that they faced. They were true pioneers who made a lasting impact on the world.

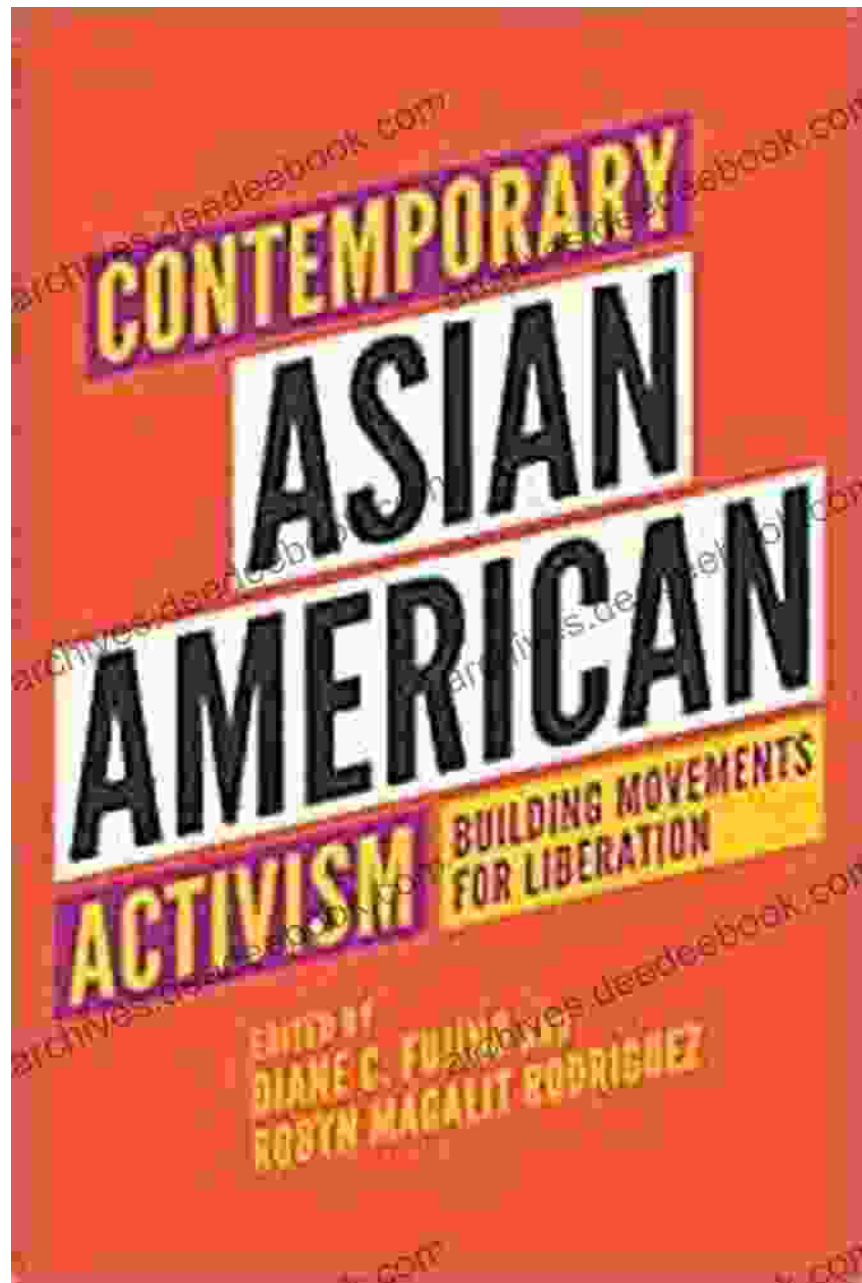
Legacy

The legacy of Scott and Laurie Oki is still felt today. Their work helped to lay the foundation for the field of Asian American studies, and their activism helped to raise awareness of the issues that Asian Americans face. They were true pioneers who made a lasting impact on the world.

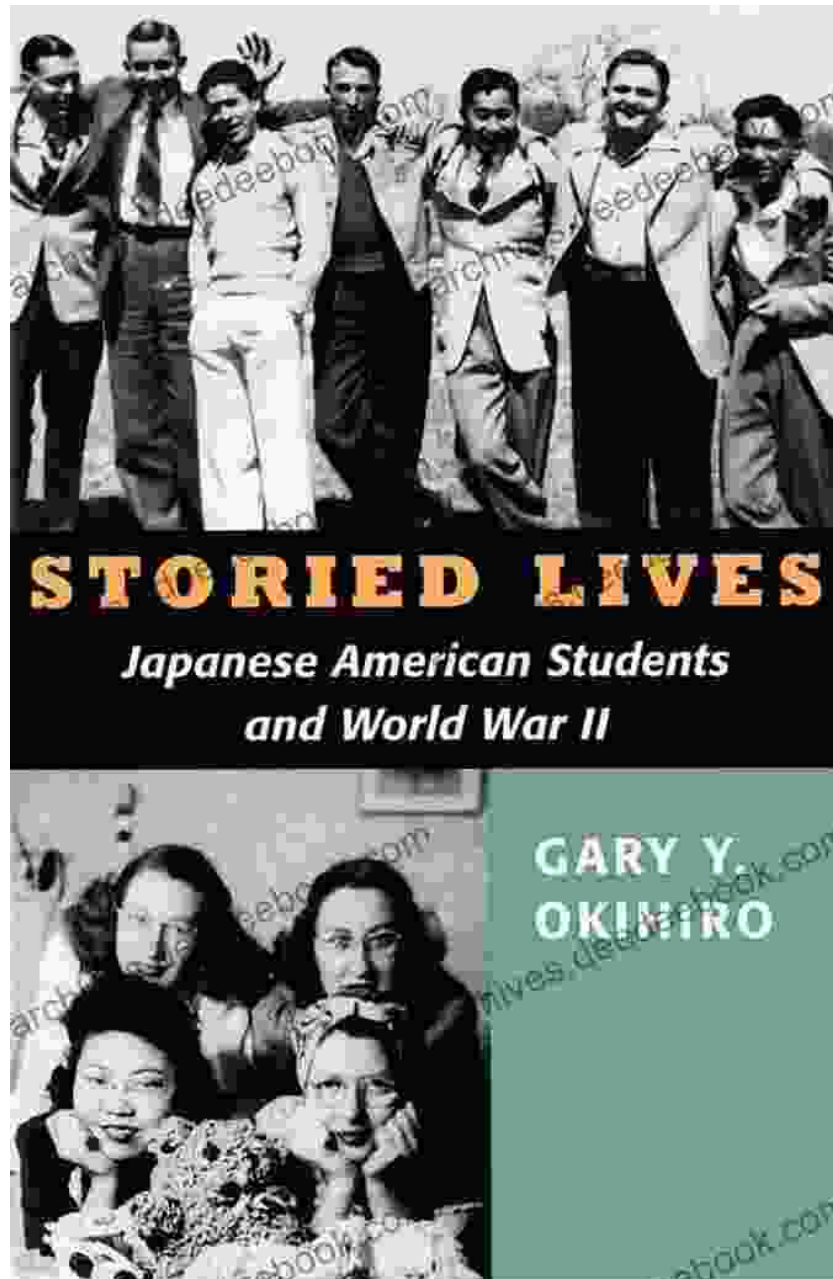
In 2003, the Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance (APALA) established the Scott and Laurie Oki Memorial Scholarship Fund. The scholarship fund provides financial assistance to Asian American students who are pursuing careers in public service.

In 2016, the University of California, Berkeley established the Scott and Laurie Oki Professorship in Asian American and Pacific Islander Studies. The professorship supports research and teaching on the experiences of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the United States.

The work of Scott and Laurie Oki continues to inspire Asian American activists and scholars today. Their legacy is a reminder that one person can make a difference in the world.



Scott Oki, a pioneering Asian American activist and scholar



Laurie Oki, a pioneering Asian American activist and scholar



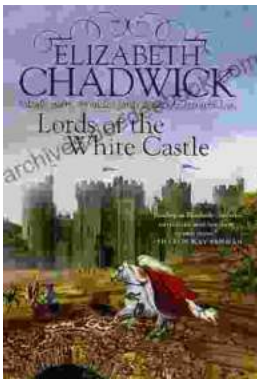
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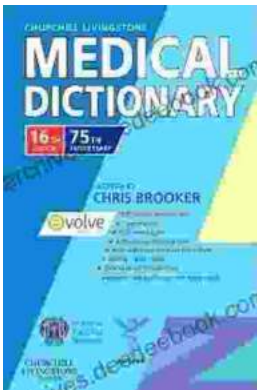
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