

GIL ASAKAWA



Gil Asakawa is the trusted source for thought-provoking insights and conversations on Asian American culture through the lens of identity, history, and experience.

An accomplished author, keynote speaker, media expert, and contributor to numerous publications, Gil Asakawa is a foremost expert on Asian American culture and its influence on American culture as a whole. Gil's contributions include writing for the AARP blog, The Denver Post, HuffPost, and Westword Newspaper, to name a few. He is the principal contributor to the Nikkei View website, a notable content platform that explores Asian American issues informed by the dynamics of modern society. Entertaining, authentic, and bold, Gil's insightful perspectives and unmistakable style have made him a favorite pundit across radio, television, and online channels.

As a third generation Japanese American born in Japan as a "military brat," Gil's Japanese childhood and American upbringing provide him with a unique viewpoint of the Asian American experience. He has been instrumental in promoting a vibrant Japanese American community in his home state of Colorado, serving as an executive board member on the Japan-America Society of Colorado; board member and former president of the Japanese American Citizens League's Mile High Chapter; and Operations Committee member of the Colorado Dragon Boat Festival from 2001-2016. He was appointed in 2014 by Mayor Michael B. Hancock to the Denver Asian American Pacific Islander Commission. Gil has his finger on the pulse of the Millennial and Post-Millennial mindsets, advising tomorrow's thought leaders as Manager of Student Media for the CU Independent, the student-run news website of the University of Colorado's Journalism and Mass Communication program. Gil brings an expansive spectrum of expertise to the table, making him as adept at presenting on pop-culture as he is at speaking on the significance of events in our past.

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