

Final Essay Prompt

Asian representation in media has been shown to be very lacking. Many people can list Hollywood stars of many ethnicities, but Asian representation still eludes much mainstream attention. Recently however, there has been an Asian media boom that highlights many prominent Asians in the media. However this is partially from exotisation rather than respect for Asian culture.

Throughout the year, we will have gone through many sources of Asian, Asian American, and Pacific Islander media. Choose up to three movies* containing representations of the previously mentioned groups. Using what we have learned in class and outside resources, create a well developed essay that argues that Asians/Pacific Islanders/Asian Americans representation has either changed or not.

Your arguments should be the focus of your essay. Use your sources to develop your argument and explain the reasoning for it. Avoid summarizing the sources. Quotation is something that I will be grading.

*Movies can be either from class or outside of class