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### **Seattle Regional Chinese American WWII Living Veterans Congressional Gold Medal Ceremony**

Five living Chinese American World War II Veterans will be presented the United States Congressional Gold Medal, the highest civilian award, at a virtual regional ceremony on Saturday, March 13, 2021 at 1:00 PST on <http://cacaseattle.org/index.html>.

The five veterans: William "Bill" Chin (95), Cal Fung (96), Abraham Goo (95), Lip Mar (94), and Gene Moy (103), all residing in the Greater Seattle area, are among the 20,000 Chinese Americans who served during World War II in every theater and every branch of the United States Armed Forces.

Collectively, the Chinese American WWII Veterans were awarded the Congressional Gold Medal by the United States Congress in a virtual national ceremony on December 9, 2020, 75 years after WWII. The presentation was a culmination of the [Chinese American WWII Veterans Recognition Project](#)'s work resulting in the bipartisan passage of the Congressional Gold Medal Act signed into law on December 20, 2018 in recognition of the Chinese Americans' valiant service. Despite barriers to citizenship and equality, the Chinese Americans served with dignity and honor while facing discrimination and prejudice at home and in the military.

The March 13 regional ceremony will feature Major General Robert Lee, U.S. Army Retired; Major General Darryll Wong, U.S. Air Force Retired; and Rear Admiral Jonathan Yuen, U.S. Navy Retired, presenting the Congressional Gold Medals to the five veterans.

The program will include guest speakers U.S. Representative Adam Smith, Seattle Mayor Jenny Durkan and Gary Locke, former Governor of Washington and U.S. Ambassador to China; and a photographic roll call of the veterans from Washington State.

A second ceremony, an in-person event, will be held on Saturday, November 13, 2021 at the Meydenbauer Center to honor and celebrate the living and deceased Chinese American World War II Veterans from Washington State for the veterans, their families and friends.

These two regional ceremonies, the virtual and in-person events, are presented by the Seattle Regional Chinese American Congressional Gold Medal Committee, the Chinese American WWII Veterans Recognition Project, Catalyst Presents, and the Chinese American Citizens Alliance - Seattle.

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