

CONVERSATIONS IN ASIAN STUDIES

**From Pandan Donuts To Masala Chai Ice Cream:
Infusing Asian Tastes Into the Ethno-Culinary Imaginary**



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Masala chai ice cream, pandan coconut donuts, and sweet corn bibingka are appearing in Asian American bakeries and scoop shops across the U.S. This talk explores how Gen Z and Millennial chefs are creating a new wave of Asian American confections, distinct from fusion cuisine. The talk invites us to consider how these treats are reshaping Asian American taste-scapes and redefining ethno-culinary traditions.



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